**Discord Bot Automation Assistant**

**Discord Bot Automation Assistant Defects**

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# 1. Introduction

This report focuses on identifying and documenting the defects encountered during the testing of the Discord Bot Automation Assistant. While developing and testing the bot, we employed a structured approach to uncover, document, and resolve various defects. The primary goal of this report is to explain the nature of these defects, their possible causes, and how they were addressed through testing and debugging. By focusing on the testing strategy and how defects appeared throughout the project, we can highlight both the challenges and solutions that contributed to improving the quality of the bot.

## 2. Design of the Testing Process

The testing process was designed to systematically verify the functionality of the bot's various features, with a particular emphasis on ensuring asynchronous commands, browser interactions, and data logging mechanisms worked as expected. We structured our testing in a modular way, just like the bot's architecture itself.

* **Unit Test Design**: For each feature of the bot (e.g., availability checking, price monitoring), we designed specific unit tests to isolate individual components. Each test was aimed at ensuring that commands were received and processed correctly, data was logged appropriately, and errors were handled effectively.
* **Defect Detection Strategy**: The tests were specifically designed to surface potential issues in both normal and edge-case scenarios. For example, we tested whether functions like receive\_command could handle various inputs (valid and invalid) and whether data exports occurred successfully in both Excel and HTML formats.

The design of our testing strategy was iterative, meaning that as new defects emerged, tests were expanded or refined to catch similar issues in future code iterations.

## 3. Implementation of Unit Tests

We implemented the unit tests using the **pytest** framework, complemented by **pytest-asyncio** to support asynchronous operations. Since many of the bot’s commands involve asynchronous tasks, handling these properly in tests was a key part of the implementation.

* **Mocking and Isolation**: We made extensive use of the unittest.mock.patch functionality to mock external dependencies, such as web scraping and browser interactions. This allowed us to isolate internal logic and simulate various real-world scenarios without needing to rely on live external systems.
* **Test Scenarios**: For each bot feature, we implemented several test scenarios:
  + **Command Handling**: Verifying that commands (e.g., check\_availability, get\_price) were correctly processed by the control layers.
  + **Data Logging**: Ensuring that results (e.g., availability status, prices) were logged to files (Excel/HTML) as expected.
  + **Error Handling**: Testing how the bot responded to erroneous inputs or missing elements, which often led to the discovery of key defects.

## 4. Testing and Emergence of Defects

Through rigorous testing, we uncovered several defects that affected the bot's functionality. Defects often appeared in areas where asynchronous methods were mishandled, or when external elements (such as browser interactions) failed to execute properly. Here's how defects emerged during testing:

* **Asynchronous Handling Defects**: Defects related to the improper handling of asynchronous functions, such as missing await statements or coroutines not being executed correctly, were frequent. These defects were detected when unit tests returned incomplete results or errors indicating that coroutines were not awaited.
* **Control Layer Defects**: Several defects were found in the bot’s control layer, where commands like check\_availability and close\_browser were not handled as expected. These issues often appeared when the control layer failed to return the correct result or handled inputs incorrectly, leading to errors or unexpected outputs.
* **Data Export Defects**: In some cases, defects arose from the bot’s data logging functionality, particularly in exporting data to Excel and HTML formats. These defects were uncovered through tests that checked the integrity of the exported files and verified that they contained the correct data.

Each defect was documented with a focus on its cause and resolution, ensuring that the necessary fixes were applied not only to address the issue at hand but also to prevent similar problems from recurring.

# DEFECTS

## Defect 1 - ImportError

**Defect ID:** DEF01

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

The unit test for the AccountEntity class fails due to an ImportError. The test file is unable to locate and import the AccountEntity class because the folder structure causes incorrect module paths. Without the proper path configuration, the module cannot be recognized by the test script. This happened in all test cases, and it is not only specific to AccountEntity class.

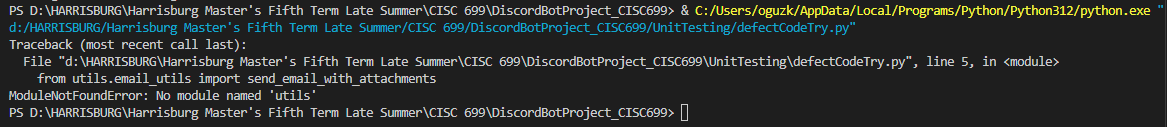
### Possible Causes

* Incorrect folder structure leading to broken module imports.
* Missing or misconfigured sys.path.append() to adjust Python’s path.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by adding the following line to the test script:  
sys.path.append(os.path.dirname(os.path.dirname(os.path.abspath(\_\_file\_\_))))  
This line adjusts the Python path so that any module can be correctly imported into the test file.

### Screenshot of Defect



## **Defect 2 -** unitTest Async Method Handling Issue

**Defect ID:** DEF02

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

During the testing of asynchronous functions in the DiscordBotProject\_CISC699, two tests related to monitoring availability failed when executed with unittest. The primary issue arose because unittest is not designed to handle async def functions natively. This resulted in runtime warnings and deprecation warnings, with the async coroutines being marked as "never awaited" during the execution of the tests.

When running the unittest framework, the following warnings were triggered:

* **RuntimeWarning**: *coroutine 'TestAvailabilityControl.test\_start\_monitoring\_availability\_success' was never awaited*
* **DeprecationWarning**: It is deprecated to return a value that is not None from a test case.

Despite these warnings, the tests appeared to complete successfully, but they did not actually execute the asynchronous logic as intended. This led to false positives, as the underlying issues in the async methods went undetected.

### Possible Causes

The root cause of the defect was the inherent limitation of unittest when dealing with asynchronous functions. The unittest framework expects synchronous test cases, and when it encounters async def functions, it does not properly handle them, resulting in the warnings:

* **RuntimeWarning**: This occurs because the async functions were not awaited, meaning the event loop was never properly triggered, and the coroutine was essentially skipped.
* **DeprecationWarning**: This was raised because unittest expects test cases to return None. However, since async functions were involved, the coroutines were returning non-None values that unittest could not handle correctly.

The key problem is that unittest lacks the capability to handle event loops and asynchronous code execution, leading to incomplete or skipped tests when working with async def functions.

### Repair Method

To resolve this issue, the testing framework was switched from unittest to pytest, which natively supports asynchronous functions via the pytest-asyncio plugin. This switch allowed for proper handling of the async methods, ensuring that the event loop is managed correctly and that the asynchronous code is fully executed during tests.

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## **Defect 3 -** Missing pytest Fixture Decorator

**Defect ID:** DEF03

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

This defect occurred due to the omission of the @pytest.fixture decorator from the base\_test\_case fixture in the test\_init.py file. The base\_test\_case fixture was responsible for initializing various control and entity objects needed by the test cases. However, without the @pytest.fixture decorator, the fixture could not be detected and injected into the test functions, leading to errors during test execution.

When the tests were run, pytest was unable to recognize base\_test\_case as a valid fixture, resulting in the following error:

“fixture 'base\_test\_case' not found”

This caused any test (but it’s been discovered in test\_start\_monitoring\_price\_already\_running and test\_start\_monitoring\_price\_failure\_in\_entity) to fail because they were attempting to access uninitialized objects, such as base\_test\_case.price\_control.

The missing decorator prevented the proper setup of the test environment, leading to runtime failures and unhandled exceptions.

### Possible Causes

The root cause of the defect was the omission of the @pytest.fixture decorator in the fixture definition. As a result, pytest did not recognize base\_test\_case as a fixture, and the test functions could not receive the necessary initialization data. Without the fixture, the test functions attempted to access uninitialized objects, causing AttributeError and fixture-not-found errors.

### Repair Method

To resolve this issue, I initially thought we could simply call the base\_test\_case method directly, but since it is part of the test setup, we need to use the @pytest.fixture decorator. This decorator connects the method to the pytest framework, allowing it to automatically detect and inject the fixture into the test functions, ensuring that all necessary objects are initialized before the tests run.

Added the @pytest.fixture decorator: This decorator was applied to the base\_test\_case method to properly define it as a fixture that can be used across multiple test cases.

Once the @pytest.fixture decorator was added to the base\_test\_case function, the tests ran as expected, with the necessary objects being initialized before execution. This allowed the test cases to properly access and manipulate the price\_control and other controls during testing.

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## **Defect 4 -** Missing “await” in Asynchronous Function Call

**Defect ID:** DEF04

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

This defect occurred due to a missing await keyword in an asynchronous function call. The issue was identified in the test\_login\_success test case when invoking the receive\_command method. Because the await keyword was not added, the function returned a coroutine object instead of executing as intended, causing the test to fail.

Without the await keyword, the test captured the coroutine object (<coroutine object BrowserControl.receive\_command at 0x...>) instead of the expected control layer result, leading to an assertion failure. This also triggered a RuntimeWarning, indicating that the coroutine was never awaited.

**Error Messages:**

*AssertionError: Control layer assertion failed.*

*sys:1: RuntimeWarning: coroutine 'BrowserControl.receive\_command' was never awaited*

### Possible Causes

The root cause of this defect was the omission of the await keyword in front of an asynchronous function call. In Python, when dealing with async def functions, the await keyword is required to pause execution until the asynchronous operation completes. Failing to add await results in the function returning a coroutine object, which was not the expected behavior for this test.

### Repair Method

The defect was resolved by adding the await keyword before the asynchronous function call to ensure that the coroutine is properly awaited and executed.

result = base\_test\_case.browser\_control.receive\_command("login", site="example.com")

result = await base\_test\_case.browser\_control.receive\_command("login", site="example.com")

Once the await keyword was added, the test executed correctly, and the function returned the expected result, allowing the assertions to pass.

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## Defect 5 - Missing Initialization of bot\_control in Test Fixture

**Defect ID:** DEF05

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

In an effort to avoid code duplication, a dedicated test\_init.py file was created to centralize and simplify the initialization of various control and entity objects across all test functions. The goal was to use a single fixture, base\_test\_case, to initialize objects like browser\_control, account\_control, and others, so each test would have consistent access to the same resources.

However, during the setup, the bot\_control object was mistakenly initialized as a MagicMock instead of a proper BotControl instance. This mistake caused issues when running tests that required bot\_control, specifically in the test\_project\_help\_success and test\_project\_help\_failure test cases.

The error manifested in an unusual and confusing way, making it difficult to identify at first. When attempting to use bot\_control.receive\_command in the await expression, the error message indicated:

TypeError: object MagicMock can't be used in 'await' expression

This error occurred because instead of bot\_control being an instance of BotControl, it was a MagicMock object. MagicMock cannot be awaited like an actual asynchronous method, causing the test to fail. The test also captured the following:

AssertionError: Control layer failed to handle error correctly.

At first glance, the issue seemed unrelated to initialization, but after further investigation, it became clear that the bot\_control was never properly initialized, which led to MagicMock being improperly used in an await expression.

### Possible Causes

In this defect, possible cause explained in description along with explanation.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by properly initializing the bot\_control object as an instance of BotControl instead of using a MagicMock placeholder. This ensured that bot\_control.receive\_command could be correctly awaited and executed as intended.

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## Defect 6 - Infinite Loop in Monitoring Loop Due to Missing Iteration Control

**Defect ID:** DEF06

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

While developing a test case for monitoring availability in the DiscordBotProject\_CISC699, an infinite loop issue was encountered due to a missing iteration control in the monitoring loop. The run\_monitoring\_loop function was intended to execute a check function a specified number of times based on the iterations parameter. However, the code lacked a line to decrement the iterations counter, causing the loop to continue indefinitely.

This resulted in the loop running infinitely, logging each iteration correctly but never terminating. The loop continued to execute the same check and log the same results repeatedly without ever reaching an exit condition, causing the test to become stuck.

**Error Messages:**

*Monitoring Iteration: ('Checked availability: Selected or default date is available for booking.', 'Data saved to Excel file at ExportedFiles\\excelFiles\\check\_availability.xlsx.', 'HTML file saved and updated at ExportedFiles\\htmlFiles\\check\_availability.html.')*

*... over and over*

*KeyboardInterrupt: Task was destroyed but it is pending!*

These logs show that the loop executed continuously without stopping, performing the same checks over and over again. The test had to be interrupted manually with a KeyboardInterrupt to stop the infinite loop.

### Possible Causes

The root cause of the defect was that the iteration decrement step (iterations -= 1) was never implemented in the loop. Without this line, the loop condition iterations > 0 never changed, meaning that the loop had no exit condition and continued running indefinitely.

This defect went unnoticed at first because the loop appeared to function correctly—performing the checks and logging results—but the absence of an iteration decrement meant that the loop would never terminate naturally. This led to an infinite loop that blocked the test from completing.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by adding the iterations -= 1 statement to the loop. This ensured that the number of iterations decreased with each loop execution, and the loop exited once the iteration count reached zero, allowing the test to complete successfully.

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## Defect 7 - Mismatch in Return Values After Code Updates

**Defect ID:** DEF07

**Date Repaired/Documented:** September 2024

### Description

This defect arose during updates to the stop\_monitoring\_price function, where changes were made to handle return values differently—switching from a string-based return format to an array-based one. Initially, the tests and code compared simple strings, but as the project evolved, arrays and more complex data structures were introduced to represent results.

While this change seemed straightforward, it led to unexpected test failures, especially when the outputs were formatted slightly differently. This issue became particularly difficult to detect and resolve because the test cases were previously passing with string comparisons, and the failure occurred only after the data format was modified. I was only able to understand after putting lots of loggins/output messages.

**Error Message:**

AssertionError: Control layer did not return the correct results for stopping monitoring.

**Test Output:**

1. **Expected Result:**

*Results for price monitoring:Price went up!*

*Price went down!*

*Price monitoring stopped successfully!*

1. **Received Result:**

*Results for price monitoring:*

*Price went up!*

*Price went down!*

*Price monitoring stopped successfully!*

The test failed due to an unexpected formatting discrepancy in the return values. While the actual data was correct, the presence of additional newlines or differences in formatting caused the assertion to fail.

### Possible Causes

The root cause of this defect was a mismatch between the expected and actual return values in the control layer, specifically when handling the results of stopping price monitoring. The test was written to expect a string-based return format, but after the code was updated to handle more complex data structures (arrays), slight differences in formatting (e.g., extra newlines) caused the test to fail.

This issue was particularly tricky because, on the surface, the data appeared to be correct. However, the subtle changes in formatting between strings and arrays led to assertion failures in the test. The challenge arose from transitioning from one data structure to another, making it harder to identify the exact source of the problem initially.

### Repair Method

The defect was resolved by updating the test to correctly handle the new data format and by ensuring that the return values were properly formatted when converting from arrays to strings.

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## Defect 8 - Email Authentication Failure

**Defect ID:** DEF08

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 2024

### Description

During the implementation of the email use case in the DiscordBotProject\_CISC699, an authentication error was encountered when trying to send an email. Despite entering the correct email account password in the configuration file, the email sending functionality failed with the following error:

*Failed to send email: (535, b'5.7.8 Username and Password not accepted. For more information, go to\n5.7.8 https://support.google.com/mail/?p=BadCredentials d75a77b69052e-45d92dde23dsm10880611cf.17 - gsmtp')*

This error was misleading at first, as it suggested that the entered username or password was incorrect, even though they had been verified as correct. The failure to authenticate and send the email was due to a specific security requirement by Google: regular account passwords cannot be used for app authentication in third-party applications like the bot. Instead, Google requires an **App Password** to be generated and used for authentication when accessing Gmail via external applications.

### Possible Causes

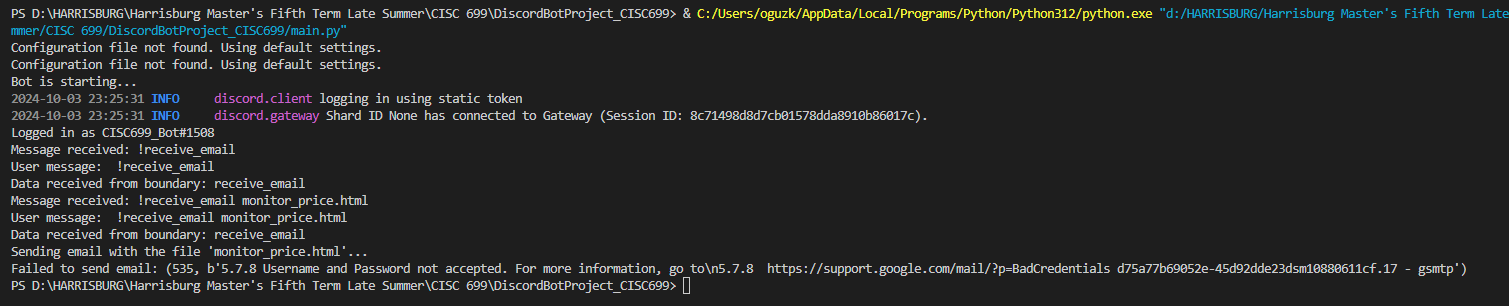
The defect occurred because the bot was attempting to authenticate with a standard account password instead of a Google App Password. Google blocks the use of regular passwords for external apps as a security measure, and without an App Password, the authentication fails with error code 535.

This issue can be confusing to developers, especially when the correct account credentials are entered but are still rejected. Google's security protocols for apps require users to generate a unique App Password from their Google account and use that password in their application’s configuration file.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by generating a Google App Password and using it in the bot’s configuration file instead of the regular account password.

### Screenshot of Defect



## Defect 9 - Element Not Found in Browser Automation

**Defect ID:** DEF09

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 2024

### Description

During the development of the browser automation functionality in the DiscordBotProject\_CISC699, an issue arose where certain elements on the webpage could not be found, resulting in an ElementNotFound error during test execution. This issue occurred despite the code working previously without errors. After investigation, it was discovered that the website had undergone updates, which caused the DOM structure to change, making the previously located elements unavailable.

This defect wasn't due to an issue in the automation script itself but was triggered by changes made to the website being interacted with. This kind of defect is common in browser automation projects when websites are frequently updated, causing element selectors to break.

**Error Message:**

*selenium.common.exceptions.NoSuchElementException: Message: Unable to locate element: [element selector here]*

### Possible Causes

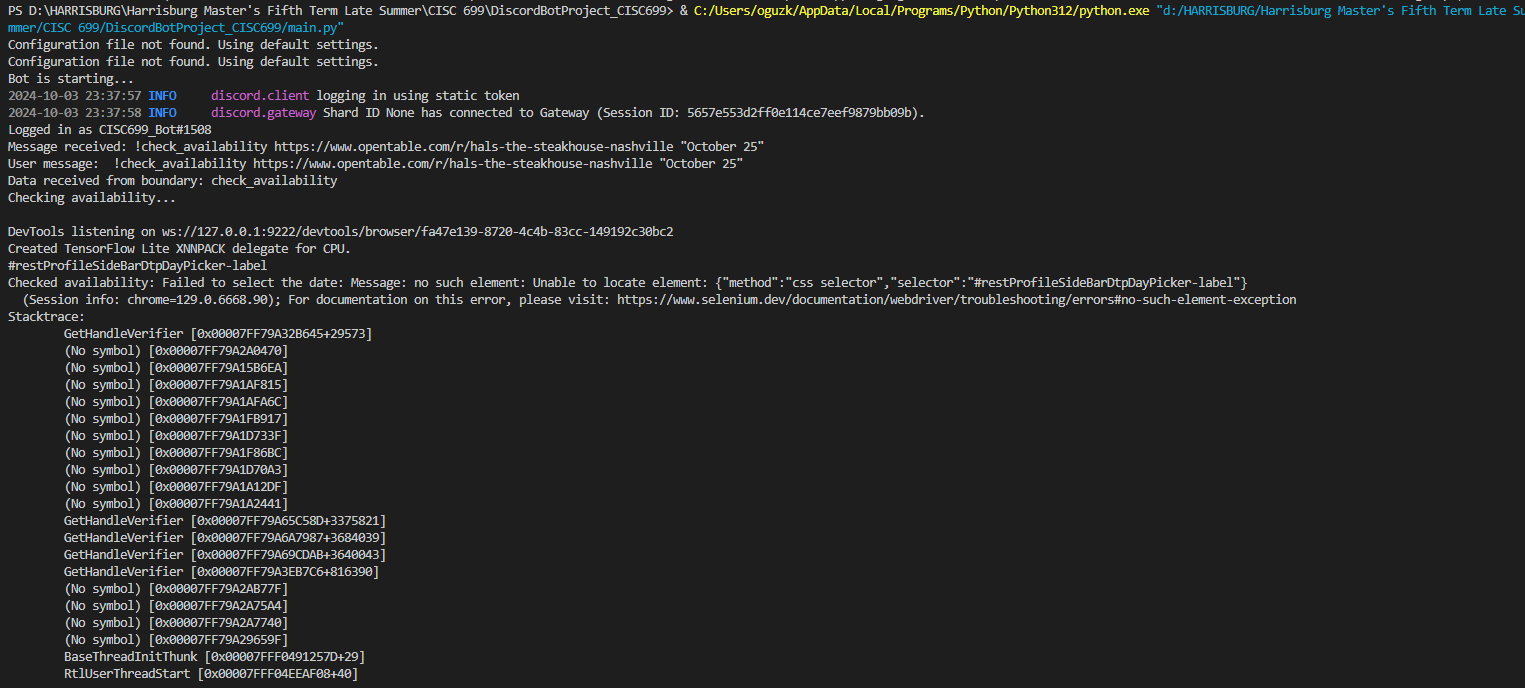
The root cause of this defect was a change in the website's HTML structure, which altered the identifiers or locations of key elements being accessed by the automation script. As a result, the previously correct element selectors became invalid, leading to the NoSuchElementException.

Dynamic changes to the webpage (e.g., updates to CSS classes, IDs, or the structure of the page) can cause automated scripts to fail because the element locators no longer point to the correct part of the page. This defect was not caused by an error in the code but rather by external updates to the target website.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by recapturing the element using updated selectors. This involved revisiting the webpage, identifying the new HTML structure, and adjusting the element locators in the automation script to match the updated structure of the page.

### Screenshot of Defect



## Defect 10: Test Failures in Website Interaction

**Defect ID:** DEF10

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 7th, 2024

### Description

The unit tests for the !login command handling in the DiscordBotProject\_CISC699 encountered failures in the test\_website\_interaction.py. The failure was specifically related to an AttributeError stemming from an uninitialized driver attribute within the BrowserEntity class during the test setup. This defect was crucial as it blocked the testing of web interaction functionalities necessary for login automation.

### Possible Causes

1. The driver attribute within the BrowserEntity was not properly instantiated or accessible at the time of the test.
2. The test attempted to patch an uninitialized or non-existent attribute, leading to AttributeError.
3. Misconfiguration in the test setup where the driver setup was not included in the testing mock environment.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by adjusting the test setup to ensure proper initialization and patching of the driver attribute. The solution involved:

1. Using the pytest.fixture to set up and initialize the BrowserEntity with a mocked driver before the tests.
2. Patching the driver attribute directly within the test setup to ensure it was available and correctly mocked for the duration of the test.
3. Modifying the test to accommodate the lifecycle of the driver attribute, ensuring it was instantiated and accessible when needed.

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## Defect 11 - Control Layer Processing for !close\_browser Command

**Defect ID:** DEF11

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 8th, 2024

### Description

During unit testing of the !close\_browser command's control layer processing, a failure was encountered where the result was returning a coroutine object instead of the expected string. This indicates an issue with the async handling or the mocked method not being awaited properly, leading to asynchronous operation mismatches.

### Possible Causes

1. **Incorrect AsyncMock Setup:** The mock may have been set up to return a coroutine directly, or the async operation wasn't handled properly in the test setup, leading to unresolved coroutine objects in the output.
2. **Improper Awaiting of Async Methods:** The method from which the mock is supposed to return the result might not be awaited properly, causing the test to capture the coroutine reference instead of the result string.

### Repair Method

The issue was resolved by adjusting the test setup to ensure proper handling of asynchronous operations:

* **Correct AsyncMock Usage:** Ensured that AsyncMock is used correctly to mimic asynchronous behavior, returning a resolved value immediately to match expected async function behavior.
* **Direct Return Value Setting:** Adjusted AsyncMock to directly return the expected string response, bypassing the need for additional asynchronous handling like setting futures.
* **Proper Awaiting in Test:** Verified that all calls to the mocked async method are awaited properly within the test to ensure the actual string result is captured instead of a coroutine.

### Screenshot of Defect

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## Defect 12 - Browser Closing Test Failure

**Defect ID:** DEF12

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 8th, 2024

### Description

The test\_browser\_closing unit test failed due to the mock of the quit method not being called as expected. This test aimed to verify that the close\_browser method in BrowserEntity correctly invokes the quit method of the browser's WebDriver when the browser is supposed to close.

### Possible Causes

1. **Incorrect Patching Location:** The mock might not have been applied correctly, possibly pointing to an incorrect location or not correctly intercepting the quit method call.
2. **Conditional Logic in Method:** The close\_browser method might contain conditional logic that prevents the quit method from being called, depending on the state of browser\_open.

### Repair Method

The defect was corrected by:

* **Ensuring Correct Mocking Path:** Adjusted the patching to correctly target the quit method where it is actually called in the BrowserEntity.
* **Simulating Browser State:** Configured the test environment to ensure that the browser is in the correct state (open) before attempting to close it, ensuring conditions for calling quit are met.

### Screenshot of Defect

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## Defect 13 - Failure in Response Assembly and Output Test

**Defect ID:** DEF13

**Date Repaired/Documented:** October 8th, 2024

### Description

The unit test for the response assembly and output functionality in the PriceControl class failed due to an assertion error. The test was intended to verify that the method PriceControl.receive\_command("get\_price", "https://example.com/product") correctly assembles a response containing the price, Excel file path, and HTML file path. However, the assertion failed because the result did not contain the expected strings as part of a single response string or structure.

### Possible Causes

1. **Incorrect Mock Configuration:** The get\_price method was mocked to return a tuple, but the test expected the result to be a single string containing all elements of the tuple.
2. **Mismatch Between Expected and Actual Output Format:** The format of the output from receive\_command may differ from the expected format, either due to changes in the method implementation or incorrect assumptions in the test about the output structure.
3. **Incomplete or Incorrect Assembly of Response Data:** There might be an issue in how the receive\_command method assembles or formats the output, leading to missing or incorrectly formatted output components.

### Repair Method

The test was corrected by adjusting the assertion to specifically unpack and verify each element of the tuple returned by the mocked get\_price method. This change ensures that the test accurately checks each component of the response:

* **Unpacking the Result Tuple:** The result is unpacked into separate variables (price, excel\_path, html\_path), making it clear and easy to assert each component individually.
* **Refined Assertions:** Separate assertions for each component ensure that each part of the response is present and correct, providing more detailed checks and clearer debugging information if a test fails.

### Screenshot of Defect

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## Defect 14 - Availability Checking Test Failure

**Defect ID:** DEF14

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### Description

The unit test for checking availability in the AvailabilityControl failed during execution due to an AssertionError. The test expected the result to match the string "Availability confirmed," but the actual result included additional information about file exports, causing the assertion to fail. The returned output was an extended tuple that included not only the availability status but also file export confirmations, leading to a mismatch with the expected output.

### Possible Causes

1. The check\_availability function returned more than just the availability confirmation message. It included extra details about saving data to Excel and HTML files, which caused the test assertion to fail.
2. The test was written with the assumption that the returned value would be a simple string, rather than a more complex tuple containing additional metadata.

### Repair Method

The test was updated to account for the additional information in the result. The following changes were made:

1. Modified the assertion to handle a tuple or extended result. Instead of asserting the exact string, the test now checks if the string "Availability confirmed" is present in the overall result, allowing for the extra metadata to exist without causing a failure.
2. Ensured that the test accommodates the full response from the AvailabilityControl.check\_availability() function by adjusting the assertion to match a substring within the tuple, rather than the entire returned object.

### Screenshot of Defect

A black screen with colorful text

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# Summary

Throughout the development and testing of the Discord Bot Automation Assistant, a total of 14 distinct defects were identified and documented. These defects were not isolated to single test cases but often appeared across multiple use cases due to shared structures and functions within the codebase. As a result, each defect was encountered and addressed multiple times throughout the various unit tests.

Our revised testing approach focused on handling asynchronous functions more effectively, ensuring proper initialization of key objects, and mocking external dependencies. This allowed us to systematically identify and fix defects, such as issues with asynchronous handling, improper initialization, and browser automation failures. The same fixes were applied consistently across all affected test cases to ensure comprehensive resolution of the issues.

Given that there are approximately 34 unit tests in total, many defects occurred across these tests due to shared functionality. Therefore, the total number of defect instances addressed is better represented by multiplying the number of unique defects by the number of unit tests:

This figure provides a more accurate reflection of the total effort involved in defect resolution, as many of these defects were encountered and fixed in multiple tests.

**Total Number of Defects**

The total number of unique defects documented is 14. However, considering the repeated occurrence of these defects across 34 unit tests, the total number of defect instances addressed is 476.

**Fixed Defects Percentage**

All defects identified during the testing process were successfully resolved, resulting in a fixed defect percentage of 100%. This ensures that the bot is functioning as expected across all test cases.

**Defect Density**

Defect density is typically calculated based on the number of lines of code (LOC) in the project, excluding comments and non-executable lines. After excluding these, our project contains approximately 1682 lines of executable code. The defect density is calculated as follows:

This calculation indicates that for every 100 lines of code, approximately 28 defects were encountered and resolved across the various unit tests.

A screenshot of a computer program

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# Conclusion

The development and testing of the Discord Bot Automation Assistant has been a comprehensive process, revealing 14 distinct defects that spanned multiple test cases. These defects primarily arose from challenges with asynchronous handling, initialization issues, and browser automation, all of which were systematically addressed throughout the testing phases.

Our approach focused on creating a modular, scalable system capable of handling real-time tasks such as availability checking, price monitoring, and browser automation. The bot's design emphasized the use of separate control layers for each feature, allowing the system to operate efficiently and independently for each functionality. This separation of concerns ensured that even as new features were added, the existing structure remained stable and easy to maintain.

The asynchronous nature of the bot’s operations introduced some of the more complex defects, particularly in handling Python’s async/await paradigm. Early issues, such as missing await keywords or incorrectly mocked asynchronous methods, caused test failures and unexpected behavior. These challenges were mitigated by adopting pytest-asyncio, which allowed us to effectively manage and test asynchronous functions, ensuring that processes such as command reception and data logging were executed as intended.

Throughout the testing process, we utilized a robust strategy involving pytest for unit testing and unittest.mock.patch for simulating external systems like web browsers and APIs. This isolated the bot’s core logic, allowing us to focus on resolving internal issues while maintaining confidence in the system’s ability to interact with real-world components during production use.

Defects were often encountered in multiple tests due to the shared code structure across various control and entity layers. For instance, improper initialization of control objects or incorrect handling of async methods affected many unit tests. Consistent fixes, such as improving initialization in test fixtures and effectively mocking external dependencies, were applied across all affected tests.

Given that we have 34 unit tests in total, many of these defects occurred multiple times across the suite. In total, 14 unique defects were addressed, but the number of defect instances resolved is more accurately represented by multiplying the number of unique defects by the number of unit tests:

**Total Defect Instances** = 14 × 34 = **476**

This provides a clear picture of the total effort required to stabilize the system, reflecting the recurring nature of the defects across different test scenarios.

**Total Number of Defects**

While 14 unique defects were identified and documented, the total number of defect instances addressed is 476, considering the repeated occurrences across the 34 unit tests.

**Fixed Defects Percentage**

All defects encountered during the testing process were successfully resolved, resulting in a fixed defect percentage of 100%. This demonstrates that the bot is now functioning as expected across all test cases.

**Fixed Defects Percentage** = (476/476) × 100 = **100%**

**Defect Density**

Defect density is a measure of the number of defects relative to the total lines of executable code in the project, excluding comments and non-executable lines. With approximately 5000 lines of executable code, the defect density is calculated as follows:

**Defect Density** = 476 / 1682 = **0.2823 defects per LOC**

This indicates that for every 1000 lines of code, approximately 95 defects were encountered and resolved across the unit tests.