SE 3XA3: Test Plan Rogue Reborn

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Table 1: Revision History

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1 General Information

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to explore the verification process that will be applied to the Rogue Reborn project. Interested stakeholders are welcome to view and critique this paper to gain confidence in the success of the final product. After reviewing the document, the reader should understand the strategy, focus, and motivation behind the efforts of the Rogue++ testing team.

1.2 Scope

This report will encompass all technical aspects of the testing environment and implementation plan, as well as other elements in the domain of team coordination and project deadlines. The document will also strive to be comprehensive by providing context behind critical decisions, motivating the inclusion of particular features by referring to the existing *Rogue* implementation, and offering a large variety of tests for various purposes and hierarchical units. Aside from the implementation, the report will also discuss a relevant component from the requirements elicitation process (and its relevance to the testing effort).

1.3 Acronyms, Abbreviations, and States

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Abbreviation	Definition
CSV	Comma-Separated Value
FSM	Finite State Machine
GUI	Graphical User Interface
IM	Instant Messenger
LoS	Line of Sight
PoC	Proof of Concept
VPS	Virtual Private Server

Table 3: Table of Definitions

Term	Definition		
Amulet of Yen-	An item located on the deepest level of the dungeon		
dor	that enables the player character to ascend through		
D4	the levels and complete the game		
Boost	C++ utility library that includes a comprehensive		
	unit testing framework		
Frame	An instantaneous "snapshot" of the GUI screen		
$\operatorname{Libtcod}$	Graphics library that specializes in delivering a		
	roguelike experience		
Monochrome	The brightness of a given colour (with respect to the		
Luminance	average sensitivity of the human eye)		
Permadeath	Feature of roguelike games whereby a character		
	death will end the game		
Player Character	Primary game character that is controlled by the		
·	user in Rogue Reborn		
Rogue	The original UNIX game developer in 1980 that ini-		
	tiated the roguelike genre		
Roguelike	Genre of video games characterized by ASCII graph-		
-	ics, procedurally-generated levels, and permadeath		
Slack	An online communication platform specializing in		
	team and project coordination		

Table 4: Table of States

State	Definition		
	Demittion		
Developer State	The file system state corresponding to the latest		
_	source code revision and compilation from the Git-		
	Lab repository		
Fresh State	The file system state corresponding to a "fresh"		
	Rogue Reborn installation		
Gameplay State	Any application state that reflects the actual game-		
	play		
Generic State	The file system state corresponding to a functional		
	(working) installation of Rogue Reborn		
High Score State	Any application state that reflects the top high		
_	scores screen		
Menu State	Any application state that reflects the opening menu		
Seasoned State	The file system state corresponding to an installation		
	of Rogue Reborn that already contains several high		
	score records		

1.4 Overview of Document

The early sections of the report will describe the testing environment and the logistic components of the Rogue Reborn testing effort, including the schedule and work allocation. Next, a suite of tests will be discussed with respect to the functional requirements, non-functional requirements, and the PoC demonstration. Upon discussing the relevance of this project to the original *Rogue*, a variety of unit testing strategies will be given followed by a sample usability survey to gauge the interest and opinion of the Rogue Reborn game. A breakdown of the sections is listed below:

- §1 Brief overview of the report contents
- §2 Project logistics and the software testing environment
- §3 Description of system-level integration tests (based on requirements)
- $\S 4$ Explanation of test plans that were inspired by the PoC demonstration

- $\S 5$ Comparison of the existing Rogue to the current project in the context of testing
- §6 Outline of the approach to be implemented for unit testing
- §7 Appendix for symbolic parameters and the usability survey

2 Plan

2.1 Software Description

Initially, a large component of the testing implementation involved the usage of *Boost*. In general, Boost is regarded as an industry standard C++ utility library and comes packaged with a great deal of documentation (Gennadiy Rozental and Raffi Enficiaud, 2016). However, this is a double-edged sword — Boost is heavy, globally encompassing, and requires plentiful effort to properly setup. The Boost library is suitable for projects spanning years with dedicated testing and QA teams. Unfortunately, this is not the present condition of the Rogue Reborn project, and with the project nearing completion over the next month, the Rogue++ team agreed that it would be unwise to start using Boost.

Instead, an alternative solution has been proposed: native test cases can be written in C++ to perform exactly the required tasks and nothing extra. The details of this implementation will be explained in the following sections.

2.2 Test Team

All members of the Rogue++ team will take part in the testing procedure. While Mikhail and Ian were assigned the roles of Project Manager and C++ Expert respectively, Ori was given the title of Testing Expert. Testing will be primarily monitored and maintained by Ori although every team member will contribute to the testing facilities. The logic behind this rationale is that it would be desirable for the team member who wrote class C to write the unit tests for the same class C. Due to the dependency structure of the project's design, there will be cases where a unit test for one class will encompass a partial system test for another class. These instances can be extrapolated from the class inheritance diagram.

2.3 Automated Testing Approach

There has been considerable effort expended towards automating project infrastructure components. In the real world, any task that *can* be automated, should be automated. The steps that have been performed to reduce manual labour are as follows:

- Set up a GitLab pipeline for the project. The pipeline is programmed to run a series of commands on an external VPS whenever a push is made to the GitLab repository. Every run is logged and its history may be accessed at any time.
- Write a special makefile that produces 2 executables:
 - 1. The Rogue Reborn game executable
 - 2. The project test suite.

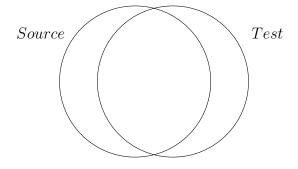
The details of this process will be described in the following sub-section.

• The team's primary method of communication is Slack: a cross-platform and programmer-friendly IM. The Rogue++ team hooked the GitLab project repository to the team's Slack channel such that whenever the repository detects activity, a notification is sent to the channel. This method greatly improves the team's awareness about each other's contributions and also facilitates communication about project-related inquiries.

2.4 Testing Tools

The special makefile discussed above utilizes a phenomenon of C++ to perform the necessary steps. First, it places *all* source files into a dedicated folder to distinguish them between program files and test files; this is mandatory since there is an important relationship between the *source* and *test* classes. Consider the diagram below:

Figure 1: Source and Test Relationship



As the diagram depicts, there are classes that are shared between both final programs. In fact, the vast majority of classes fall in the center and are required by both the game executable as well as the testing component. The files that are necessary for the tests but not for the source are, obviously, testing-related files that contain the test case implementations. At the time of writing, there is only one file required by the source code that is not required by the test code: the source program entry (i.e. the C++ file that contains main()).

The entire procedure of file collection, compilation, and separate linking is handled by the makefile, and is triggered by the make command. From there, simply running Test.exe will trigger all of the pre-written tests.

There is also a plan to implement a Python script on the GitLab pipeline that will cause the build to fail if any of the tests do not pass. It should be noted that, if a build fails, the pipeline not only reports the failure, but also logs the location of the failure down to the specific test case. This will hopefully expedite the debugging process and lead to more responsible development further into the project timeline.

As an extra safety measure, the Rogue++ team will also be utilizing a tool called *Valgrind* in the testing procedure. Valgrind is a powerful analysis tool that tests the amount of memory a C++ program utilizes and detects memory allocation errors such as memory leaks (Valgrind Developers, 2016). C++, unlike Java and other high level languages, does not include a built-in garbage collector (otherwise there would be nothing left!) to give programmers total control over their application lifetime. Consequently, it is a common mistake to accidentally leave unreferenced objects in memory and cause a memory leak in the program. In the event that a memory leak error is detected, the Rogue++ team will resort to the GDB (GNU Project Debugger) tool which boasts a comprehensive set of features for performing tasks such as detecting the source of such memory leaks. (GDB Developers, 2016)

At the time of writing, the Rogue Reborn application occupies approximately 1 MB of RAM during peak execution. Although this is a minute quantity, memory leaks are representative of a larger issue: incorrect code! By using Valgrind, the Rogue++ team will be able to detect the presence of these errors and indicate the direction of the next crucial bug fix.

2.5 Testing Schedule

The Gantt Chart can be accessed at this location.

3 System Test Description

3.1 Tests for Functional Requirements

3.1.1 Basic Mechanics

New Game Start - Functional Test # 1

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Fresh State

Input: A new game is started.

Output: The program is started.

Execution: Either double-clicking the .exe or via terminal:

./RogueReborn.exe.

Save Game - Functional Test # 2

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: Save command is given or the save key is pressed.

Output: A message indicating that the game has been saved is

displayed to the user in the status area.

Execution: A user will play the game and trigger the input sequence.

Note that this process can be verified by the Test # 3.

Load game - Functional Test # 3

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: Load command is given or the save key is pressed.

Output: A message indicating that the game has been loaded is

displayed to the user in the status area. The data model (level, player, monsters, etc.) is also updated to reflect

the state changes.

Execution: A user will play the game and trigger the input sequence

to load and verify that it is in fact the same state that

was previously saved.

Starting Statistics - Functional Test # 4

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: A new game is started.

Output: The player character has the default starting equipment

and statistics.

Execution: This feature can be tested by analyzing the save file

since it records all the necessary information about the

player character.

Help Command - Functional Test # 5

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: The "help" command is given or the "help" key is

pressed.

Output: The user is displayed a screen with a list of possible

actions and other information.

Execution: A user play the game and trigger the input sequence to

display the "help" menu.

3.1.2 Interaction

Detailer Player Information - Functional Test # 6

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: N/A

Output: Details about the player (level, health, known status

effects, current depth, etc.) are displayed at the bottom

of the screen in the area known as the Info Bar.

Execution: Rogue Reborn playtesters will be asked to answer basic

questions about their player character at random intervals throughout the game. To answer these questions, the user must refer to the Info Bar.

Environment Inspection - Functional Test # 7

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: The "look" key or command, and then an environment

aspect character.

Output: After the input is supplied, a brief description of the

environment aspect is displayed. This can be limited to

several words (e.g. "This is an Emu").

Execution: Players will be told about the "look" key before their

session and will have to employ it in order to gain

information about their surroundings.

Pass Turn - Functional Test # 8

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: The "wait" key or command is pressed.

Output: All entities but the player engage in a turn by

performing an action (as dictated by their respective AI).

Execution: Players will be asked to skip their turn several times

once an enemy is located (this tactic is used to ensure the player character delivers the first strike in a combat

sequence).

Trap Activation - Functional Test # 9

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: A dungeon level that can generate traps (this only

occurs at deeper levels).

Output: A message and a message describing the effect of the

trap.

Execution: Players will be asked to report the traps they encounter

and the effect that was bestowed upon them upon

activation.

3.1.3 The Dungeon

Staircase Guarantee - Functional Test # 10

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: A set of randomly generated dungeon levels.

Output: An indication of whether or not each dungeon contains a

downwards staircase.

Execution: Each generated level will be traversed using a simple

graph discovery algorithm that tours every passable block; if no staircase is discovered, a flag is raised.

Level Accessibility - Functional Test # 11

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: A set of randomly generated dungeon levels.

Output: An indication of whether or not every dungeon level

forms a strongly connected component.

Execution: Each generated level will be traversed using a simple

graph discovery algorithm that tours every passable block; if the number of discovered blocks is not equal to

the number of blocks in the level, a flag is raised.

Line of Sight - Functional Test # 12

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: The player character is somewhere in the dungeon that

is recognizable (i.e. not hidden) and is not blind.

Output: Visibility that depends on the player character's

surroundings. If the player character is in a room, they should be able to view the entire room. If the player character is in a corridor, the player should only be able to view in surroundings within VIEW_DISTANCE of

their location.

Execution: Users will be asked to assess the visibility standards.

Note that this is a bug-prone feature since many exceptions exist in the realm of the player character's

current setting.

Amulet of Yendor - Functional Test # 13

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Levels generated with a depth of FINAL_LEVEL

Output: An indication of whether or not all generated levels

contain the Amulet of Yendor on a reachable tile within

the level.

Execution: Each generated level will be traversed using a simple

graph discovery algorithm that tours every passable block; if no Amulet is encountered, a flag is raised.

Searching & Finding - Functional Test # 14

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: The player character in a dungeon beside a hidden door

or passage.

Input: The player character activates the "search" command to

search for adjacent hidden environment features.

Output: The door or passage is either revealed or remains hidden.

Execution: Playtesters will be told before the game begins to

occasionally look out for hidden doors; once discovered, the playtesters will document the number of searches

that were required to reveal the hidden element.

3.1.4 Equipment

Inventory Tracking - Functional Test # 15

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: New users are instructed to play the game with no

special requirements.

Output: No users experiences a situation where the inventory

screen does not represent their actual possessions.

Execution: Users will be asked to laboriously maintain their

inventory on a piece of paper and compare their copy to

that of the game at various time intervals.

Identification & Naming - Functional Test # 16

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: Users are instructed to pronounce the names of all items

they collect.

Output: Users are unable to pronounce items they have yet to

identify.

Execution: Users will be asked to pronounce the generated names to

the best of their ability to ensure they are nonsensical.

Armor & Deterioration - Functional Test # 17

Dynamic / Manual / Black Box Type:

Initial State: Gameplay State

> *Input:* Users are assured that their armor is invincible.

Users should complain that their armor loses Output:

effectiveness over time.

Execution: Aguators and traps possess the capability to destroy

> player armor. Users should begin to encounter such setbacks (starting at level DETERIORATE_LEVEL)

and report their findings.

3.1.5 Combat

Monster AI - Functional Test # 18

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

> *Input:* The position of the player character is transmitted to all

> > monsters in a dungeon level.

Output: All aggressive monsters will calculate their respective

paths and make progress towards the player character.

Execution: An automatic script will be created to generate a level,

> spawn several monsters in the level, and then simulate a player character somewhere on the map. From there, a traceback log of monster paths could be created and

> analyzed by having the player simulation repeatedly skip

their turn.

Monster Attack Pattern - Functional Test # 19

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: No target for monsters to attack.

Output: Monsters aimlessly wandering around.

Execution: Similar to test # 18, a level could be generated and

populated with monsters; however, no player character

location will be supplied to the level.

3.2 Tests for Non-Functional Requirements

3.2.1 Look and Feel Requirements

Aesthetic Similarity Check - Non-Functional Test # 1

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: Users are asked to rate the aesthetic similarity between

Rogue and Rogue Reborn.

Output: A numeric quantity between 0 and 10, where 0 indicates

that the graphics are entirely disjoint and 10 indicates

that the graphics are virtually indistinguishable.

Execution: A random sample of users will be asked to play Roque

and the Rogue Reborn variant for

PLAYTEST_SHORT_TIME minutes. Afterwards, they will be asked to judge the graphical similarity of the

games based on the aforementioned scale.

3.2.2 Usability and Humanity Requirements

Interest Gauge Check - Non-Functional Test # 2

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: New users are instructed to play Rogue Reborn.

Output: The quantity of time the user willingly decides to play

the game.

Execution: A random sample of users who are unfamiliar with

Rogue will be asked to play Rogue Reborn until they feel bored (or MAXIMUM_ENTERTAINMENT_TIME has expired). Once the user indicates that they are no longer

interested in the game, their playing time will be

recorded.

English Mechanics Check - Non-Functional Test # 3

Type: Static / Manual / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Rogue Reborn source code.

Output: An approximation of the English spelling, punctuation,

and grammar mistakes that are visible through the GUI.

Execution: All strings in the Rogue Reborn source code will be

concatenated with a newline delimiter and outputted to a text file. A modern edition of Microsoft Word from (Microsoft Corporation) will be used to open this

generated text file, and a developer will manually correct all of the indicated errors that are potentially associated

with a GUI output.

Key Comfort Check - Non-Functional Test # 4

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: Users are asked to rate the intuitiveness of the Rogue

Reborn key bindings.

Output: A numeric quantity between 0 and 10, where 0 indicates

that the key bindings are extremely confusing and 10 indicates that the key bindings are perfectly natural.

Execution: A random sample of users who are inexperienced with

the roguelike genre will be asked to play Rogue Reborn for SHORT_TIME minutes without viewing the in-game help screen. Next, the key bindings will be revealed, and the users will continue to play the game for an additional PLAYTEST_SHORT_TIME minutes. Afterwards, they will be asked to judge the quality of the key bindings

based on the aforementioned scale

3.2.3 Performance Requirements

Response Delay Check - Non-Functional Test # 5

Type: Dynamic / Automatic / White Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: Users are instructed to play Rogue Reborn.

Output: A log of occurrences that indicate events where a

computation that was initiated by a user input took an

excessive quantity of time to execute.

Execution: A random sample of experienced users will be asked to

play a special version of Rogue Reborn for

PLAYTEST_MEDIUM_RANGE minutes. This edition will utilize a StopWatch implementation to measure the execution time of a computation, and if the computation

exceeds RESPONSE_SPEED milliseconds, the user action and the associated timestamp will be recorded in

a log file.

Overflow Avoidance Check - Non-Functional Test # 6

Type: Static / Manual / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Rogue Reborn source code.

Output: All declarations of integer-typed variables.

Execution: All occurrences of lines that match REGEX_INTEGER

(i.e., integer declarations) in the Rogue Reborn source code will be outputted to a file. A group of Rogue++ developers will then review these declarations together and alter them if deemed necessary to avoid integer

overflow issues.

Crash Collection Check - Non-Functional Test # 7

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: Playtesters are instructed to play Rogue Reborn for at

least PLAYTEST_LONG_TIME hours.

Output: A collection of crash occurrences along with a detailed

description of the failure environment.

Execution: All Rogue Reborn playtesters will be required to play

the game for at least PLAYTEST_LONG_TIME hours in total (spanned over multiple sessions if desired). Every time the application crashes, the playtester must record the incident along with a description of the visible GUI state and the steps required to reproduce the failure. After this data has been collected, the Rogue++ team will address every crash occurrence by either resolving

the issue or confidently declaring that the event is

irreproducible.

Score Overflow Check - Non-Functional Test # 8

Type: Dynamic / Dynamic / White Box

Initial State: High Score State

Input: A high score record file containing a large quantity of

entries.

Output: Rogue Reborn GUI displaying the top high scores.

Execution: The Rogue Reborn developers will artificially fabricate a

high score record file with at least

HIGH_SCORE_CAPACITY + 2 records. The game will then be played until the high score screen is revealed; only the top HIGH_SCORE_CAPACITY scores should

be displayed.

3.2.4 Operational and Environment Requirements

Processor Compatibility Check - Non-Functional Test # 9

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Fresh State

Input: Users are instructed to install and run Rogue Reborn on

their personal machines.

Output: An indication of whether or not the game is able to

successfully execute.

Execution: A random sample of users with computers that are

equipped with Intel x64 processors will be asked to download the latest Rogue Reborn distribution, perform any necessary installation, and then run the executable file. The user will then report if the game was able to

successfully run on their machine.

Streamline Distribution Check - Non-Functional Test # 10

Type: Static / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Rogue Reborn distribution package.

Output: An indication of whether or not the distribution contains

any files aside from the primary executable and the

associated development licenses.

Execution: The public distribution package will be visually

inspected for extraneous files.

3.2.5 Maintainability Requirements

Bug Productivity Check - Non-Functional Test # 11

Type: Static / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: All ITS issues labeled as bugs in the Rogue Reborn

GitLab repository.

Output: An indication of whether or not all bug reports were

closed within a month of their conception.

Execution: The Rogue Reborn GitLab repository will be queried for

all issues concerning bugs (which are denoted by a "Bug" label). Next, a developer will manually verify that every closed bug fix request was resolved within a

month of its creation.

Linux Compatibility Check - Non-Functional Test # 12

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Fresh State

Input: Users are instructed to run Rogue Reborn on their

personal machine.

Output: An indication of whether the game can successfully

execute.

Execution: A random sample of users with computers that use a

modern 64-bit Linux operating system will be asked to download the latest Rogue Reborn distribution, perform any necessary installation, and then run the executable file. The user will then report if the game was able to

successfully run on their machine.

3.2.6 Security Requirements

Illegal Records Check - Non-Functional Test # 13

Type: Dynamic / Manual / White Box

Initial State: Seasoned State

Input: A corrupted high score record file.

Output: Rogue Reborn GUI displaying the top high scores.

Execution: The Rogue++ team will illegally modify a high score

record file by manually altering or adding values such that the expected format or value integrity is violated. These modifications should include negative high score values, missing text, and incorrect delimiter usage. The game will then be played until the high score screen is

revealed; all invalid record file contents should be ignored by the display and then later discarded in the

next write to the record file.

3.2.7 Legal Requirements

License Presence Check - Non-Functional Test # 14

Type: Static / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Rogue Reborn distribution package.

Output: An indication of whether or not the distribution is

missing any mandatory license files.

Execution: The original Rogue source code hosted by (Holger Weib,

1994) will be reviewed for legal requirements, and the public distribution package will be visually inspected to

ensure that all mandatory license files are present.

3.2.8 Health and Safety Requirements

Seizure Prevention Check - Non-Functional Test # 15

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Two screenshots denoting the largest possible luminosity

difference present between consecutive frames.

Output: The difference in luminosity between the two captured

frames.

Execution: After identifying the frame pair that is most likely to

induce a seizure, the game will be played to reach the states that reflect each frame (this should be a brief process; no clever game model manipulation is required). At the occurrence of each desired frame, the game screen will be captured and saved. At this point, the average monochrome luminance across each frame will be

calculated according to the formula

L = 0.299R + 0.587G + 0.114B

where L is the luminance, R is the red RGB component, G is the green RGB component, and B is the blue RGB component (Robert Sedgewick and Kevin Wayne, 2016). Finally, the absolute value of the luminance difference

can then compared to LUMINOSITY_DELTA.

4 Tests for Proof of Concept

4.1 Static Testing

Compile Test - PoC Test # 1

Type: Static / Automatic / White Box

Initial State: Developer State

Input: Program source code.

Output: Program executable file.

Execution: Run the makefile to verify that the program is able to

successfully compile.

Memory Check - PoC Test # 2

Type: Dynamic / Manual / White Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: A brief but complete playthrough of the game.

Output: Breakdown of program memory usage.

Execution: A playtester will briefly play the game while a developer

uses Valgrind's memcheck utility to verify that program does not leak memory or utilize uninitialized memory.

4.2 Rendering

Render Check - PoC Test # 3

Type: Dynamic / Manual / 1 Box

Initial State: Black

Input: Gameplay State

Output: 30-60 seconds of gameplay.

Execution: The player character (along with any dungeon features)

should be depicted at their correct respective location with the correct glyph. Additionally, the correct player statistics should be shown along the bottom of the screen. The dialog box should correctly display the log

and any prompts.

A tester will manually play the game and verify that the GUI text is correct.

4.3 Dungeon Generation

Dungeon-Gen Check - PoC Test # 4

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Generic State

Input: Repeated restarts of the game

Output: Level should contain ROOMS_PER_LEVEL rooms,

which should form a connected graph.

Execution: A tester will manually start the game, briefly explore the

level to verify correct generation, and then repeat this process until a sufficient level of confidence is achieved.

4.4 Basic Movement

Movement Check - PoC Test # 5

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: Movement commands

Output: The player character should move about the level

without clipping through walls, failing to walk through empty space, or jump to a tile that is not adjacent to

their previous position.

Execution: A playtester will manually walk through the level and

visually verify correctness.

4.5 Score File

Scoring File Check - PoC Test # 6

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Menu State

Input: Enter a name, quit, restart the game, and then enter

name again, and then quit.

Output: The first name should appear in both the first and

second score screens; the second name should appear in only the second score screen. Both records should have correct values for level, cause of death, and collected

gold.

Execution: A developer will manually perform the input sequence

above and verify the output. This should be tested both

with and without an initial score file.

4.6 Line of Sight System

Line of Sight Check - PoC Test # 7

Type: Dynamic / Manual / Black Box

Initial State: Gameplay State

Input: Movement commands

Output: Screen should display correct portions of the level with

the correct coloration schemes. This means that the player should be able to see the entirety of a room they are in or in the doorway of, and VIEW_DISTANCE squares away if they are in a corridor. Tiles that the player has previously explored but cannot currently see should be displayed in a dark shade of grey; tiles they have not yet been discovered should remain black and

featureless.

Execution: A developer will manually walk through the level,

verifying that the above LoS rules are preserved

(especially in edge cases like the corners of rooms and

doorways).

5 Comparison to Existing Implementation

The original *Rogue* contains an abundance of features, and luckily, is open source. This means that the vast majority of features in Rogue Reborn can be tested in accordance to their similarity to the original game. Some examples of such occurrences are discussed below.

An attempt has been made to replicate nearly one-for-one the items, loot, and treasure obtainable in the original Rogue. Wands, staffs, rings, potions, ammunition, weapons, armor and more were all implemented with the same values and parameters. Regarding the items available for collection, players of the original game should feel comfortable with the remastered Rogue Reborn experience. Unlike some contemporary games, the original Rogue does not specify the effectiveness of an attack (i.e., the damage it inflicts) besides whether it hit or missed, as does Rogue Reborn. Consequently, a user who is experienced with the original game may expect certain behavior out of a weapon or item, and find a difference in its effectiveness, despite the near one-to-one transition. This phenomenon could stem from a variety of sources, the most likely of which being a bug in the new implementation. One possible avenue to exposing these subtle inconsistencies is to allow an experienced Rogue player to try their hand at Rogue Reborn. Afterwards, they can be questioned about their perceived effectiveness of particular items.

Another aspect of the game that was replicated from the original source code is the dungeon generation. Of course, the modern Rogue Reborn makes use of a more advanced data structure with several capabilities that were not available for the C of 1980, but the data structures are still conceptually similar. The process followed for dungeon generation in 1980 was somewhat ill-conceived and convoluted. Despite this, its discernible aspects were used as an inspiration for the algorithm used in Rogue Reborn. While at the end of the day the two do not follow exactly the same procedure, the end results are quite close, and the included functional test cases ensure that all properties of the old *Rogue* are satisfied in Rogue Reborn. For example, the requirements ensure that every room generated in a level is connected through tunnels (that only travel in the cardinal directions).

Another way Rogue Reborn can be compared to the original *Rogue* is by its controls. This is a feature that can be automatically tested, and can be

guaranteed to function exactly as intended. Every key in *Rogue* is mapped to a specific action, which can be replicated one-for-one in Rogue Reborn. This kind of relationship allows for the creation of easy, maintainable tests whose implementation are nearly trivial.

The final comparison to be discussed is the software environment. The original Rogue was executed in the terminal, and still does so on UNIX-like machines. Rogue Reborn, however, runs in a window handled by libtcod. The differences may not be apparent to a standard end-user, but this is extremely significant for the developers of the application. There are many dozens of different terminals, each with its own special display characteristics, features, macros, and more. The different software environment may slightly alter response time, save and load times, and several other factors, although these changes can only improve the user experience. The differences between the terminal Rogue and the libtcod Rogue will be exactly the features the Rogue++ team will attempt to discover with a solid foundation and tests and implementation experiments. Although aesthetic testing does not lend itself well to automation, the similarity between the two applications can be determined by asking a playtesting group about the similarities (or differences) among the colours, textures, fonts, etc.

6 Unit Testing Plan

After examining the Boost library's utilities for unit testing, it was decided that integrating an existing unit testing framework was not in the project's best interests. The Rogue++ team concluded that adding a framework would significantly increase the amount of work to be done, while at the same time reducing flexibility and causing potential installation difficulties. As a consequence of this fact, test drivers will be manually written. Stubs will also be produced when necessary to simulate system components; since there are no database or network connections, stubs should be kept minimalistic and clean. It is important to note that additional functions may be required to construct objects in states suitable for easy testing (e.g. creating a level or player character with certain known properties rather than by random generation).

6.1 Unit Testing of Internal Functions

Internal functions in the product will be unit tested. This will be reserved for more complex functions in order to not avoid wasting valuable development time. Given that complete code coverage is not a realistic goal, generic code coverage metrics will not be used. Instead, care will be taken that complex functions are covered by unit test cases. The following list highlights several examples of internal functions that are solid initial candidates for unit testing:

- Dungeon Generation Functions The dungeon generation software may be algorithmically complex, but it also lends itself to easy automated verification of properties such as checking the correct number of rooms, connectedness, compliance with formulas for item generation, and the presence or absence of certain key features such as the stairs connecting levels or the Amulet of Yendor in the final level.
- **Keyboard Input Functions** As *libtcod* provides a Key struct that models keyboard input, it is possible to mock and automate these functions. These functions tend to be fairly complex, but since they return a pointer to the next desired state (similar to a FSM), their behavior can be verified with greater ease.

- Item Activation Functions It could be verified that when the player character, for example, quaffs a Potion of Healing, their health is increased. Other examples include verifying that a Scroll of Magic-Mapping reveals the current level, or that a Scroll of Identification reveals the nature (name) of an item.
- Item Storage Functions Each item is mapped to a persistent hotkey in the player character's inventory. Certain items can also stack with copies, reducing the amount of inventory space they consume, which also alters the way they are displayed the user. These factors complicate the inventory storage structure; however, it is still easily verifiable, and automated testing can be created to examine edge cases that would be impractical to test manually.

As the project matures, additional functions may be included as special testing considerations.

6.2 Unit Testing of Output Files

The only output file for the product is the high score record file which stores the previous scores in a CSV format. The production and reading of this file can be unit tested by verifying its contents after writing to it, and then by supplying a testing version of the file with known contents and verifying that the game can correctly load the data from the file.

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7 Appendix

7.1 Symbolic Parameters

Table 5: Symbolic Parameter Table

Parameter	Value		
DETERIORATE_LEVEL	6		
FINAL_LEVEL	26		
HEIGHT_RESOLUTION	400		
LUMINOSITY_DELTA	0.6		
MINIMUM_ENTERTAINMENT_TIME	20		
MINIMUM_RESPONSE_SPEED	30		
HIGH_SCORE_CAPACITY	15		
PLAYTEST_SHORT_TIME	5		
PLAYTEST_MEDIUM_RANGE	10-20		
PLAYTEST_LONG_TIME	3		
REGEX_INTEGER	(unsigned int long)\s+ [A-Za-z]+\s*(, ; =.*)\s*		
ROOMS_PER_LEVEL	9		
START_LEVEL	1		
VIEW_DISTANCE	1		
WIDTH_RESOLUTION	1280		

7.2 Usability Survey Questions

- 1. Are there any game features that you were unable to figure out how to utilize?
- 2. How convenient was the help screen?
- 3. Were there any actions in the game that the interface failed to make clear to you (or even deceived you)?
- 4. What common UI interactions did you find particularly lengthy?
- 5. What aspects of the interface did you find unintuitive?
- 6. How responsive was the interface? Were there any instances where the game felt slow or sluggish?
- 7. Did you find it easy to mentally process all of the events in a given level?
- 8. How effective were the graphics/symbols?
- 9. Would an alternative input device such as a mouse improve the interaction with the interface?
- 10. Is there any extra functionality you would like to see added to the interface?
- 11. How much experience do you have with the roguelike genre? Did you find the learning curve of the game shallow or steep?
- 12. How helpful was the original *Rogue* game manual?
- 13. How pleasing was the color scheme?
- 14. Was the font a comfortable size?
- 15. How would you rate the key binding layout on a scale ranging from 1 through 10?