

Embedded DSL for System Testing via Scala

Final Year Project - Final Evaluation

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Problem

Lack of mature frameworks/DSLs for system testing

- **Dearth** of mature frameworks and tools available for system testing
- Existing Frameworks: **Not suitable** for system testing
- **Pressing** need for system level testing

Existing Testing Frameworks



JUnit

ScalaTest™
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Types of System Testing

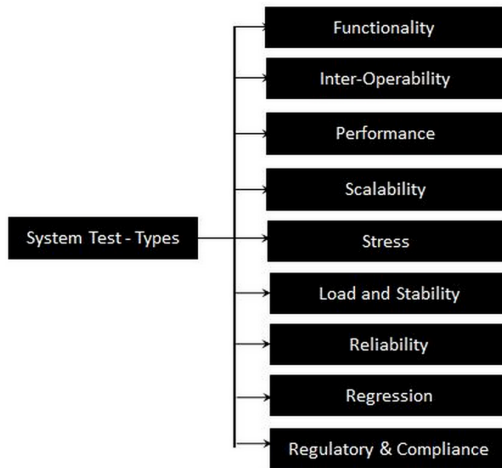


Figure: Different types of system testing

Case Study for System Testing: Language Verification

Requirements:

- HIP Verification
- SLEEK Verification
- HIP/SLEEK Regression Testing
- HIP/SLEEK Verifier Performance Testing
- HIP/SLEEK Code Base Repository Testing
- Programming Language Prover Testing

Existing System for HIP/SLEEK verification - Perl Script

```

"mult_c", "SUCCESS",
"shift_left", "SUCCESS",
"mult", "SUCCESS",
"karatsuba_mult", "SUCCESS",
"is_zero", "SUCCESS",
"is_equal", "SUCCESS",
"compare2", "SUCCESS",
"compare_int", "SUCCESS",
"div_with_remainder", "SUCCESS"],
["append_imm.ss", 1, " --imm ", "append", "SUCCESS"],
["kara.ss", 1, " --imm -tp redlog", "karatsuba_mult", "SUCCESS"],
["kara-imm-star.ss", 1, " --imm -tp redlog", "karatsuba_mult", "SUCCESS"],
["kara-imm-conj.ss", 1, " --imm -tp redlog", "karatsuba_mult", "SUCCESS"],
["ll_imm.ss", 6, " --imm ", "length", "SUCCESS",
"append", "SUCCESS",
"sumN", "SUCCESS",
"set_next", "SUCCESS",
"get_next_next", "SUCCESS",
"get_next", "SUCCESS"
]],
"imm-field" => [
["imspd.ss", 2, "-tp oc --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "check_pass", "SUCCESS", "login", "SUCCESS"],
["getset.ss", 5, "-tp oc --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "sset", "SUCCESS", "get", "SUCCESS", "setA", "SUCCESS", "getA", "S
["bigint.ss", 15, "-tp redlog --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "clone", "SUCCESS", "add_one_digit", "SUCCESS", "add_c", "S
["insertion_simple.ss", 1, "-tp oc --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "insert", "SUCCESS"],
["schorr-waite-list.ss", 1, "-tp om --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "lscan", "SUCCESS"],
["sll.ss", 4, "-tp oc --field-ann --etcsu1 ", "delete", "SUCCESS", "get_tail", "SUCCESS", "insert", "SUCCESS", "in
],

```

Figure: Legacy Perl Script

Existing System for HIP/SLEEK verification - Perl Script

```

sub sleek_process_file {
    foreach $param (@param_list)
    {
        #my $lem = -1; # assume the lemma checking is disabled by default; make $lem=1 if lemma che
        my $err = 0;
        my $barr = 0;
        if ("$param" =~ "musterr") {
            print "Starting sleek must/may errors tests:\n";
            $exempl_path_full = "$exec_path/errors";
            $err = 1;
        }
        if ("$param" =~ "sleek_barr"){ $barr=1;}

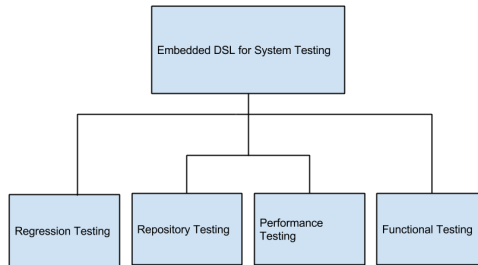
        if ("$param" =~ "sleek") {
            print "Starting sleek tests:\n";
            $exempl_path_full = "$exempl_path/sleek";
        }else {
            $exempl_path_full = "$exempl_path/sleek/$param";
            print "Starting sleek-$param tests:\n";
        }
    }
}

```

Figure: Legacy Perl Script

Overview of Solution

The DSL written covers **Performance Testing, Regression Testing, Functional Testing and Repository Testing.**



New System - DSL developed

```
new RepositoryTest() called "sleek_tests"  
on "/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/" within 300  
storeOutputIn "/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool/"  
run "./sleek.sh" inDirectory "/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/" build  
  
firstTest runTests
```

Figure: Individual Test Case Creation

New System - DSL developed

```

suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/e1.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "e1.out", " loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex1.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex1.out", " length: SUCCESS, app2: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex10.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex10.out", " loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex11.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex11.out", " bsearch: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex15.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex15.out", " loop: SUCCESS, f: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex16.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex16.out", " loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex2.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex2.out", " loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex3.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex3.out", " loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex4.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex4.out", " inc_loop: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex5.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex5.out", " foo: SUCCESS")
suite addTest ("hip", BASE_DIR + "term/ex6.ss", " ", OUTPUT_DIR, "ex6.out", " Ack: SUCCESS")

```

Figure: Test Suite Creation

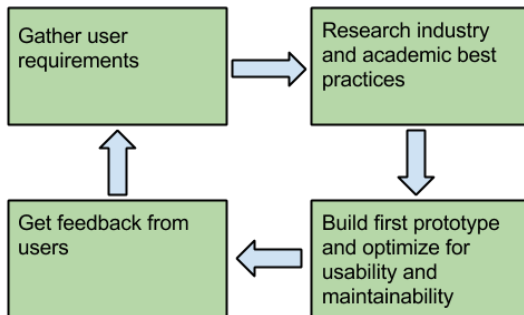
Advantages of New System

- Extensibility
- Ensured Type Safety [17]
- Highly Configurable
- Lightweight Library
- Easy to use
- Domain Semantics [4]
- Integration with Version Controlled Work - flow

Project Objectives

- Evaluate different DSL development techniques
- Choose most applicable technique
- Fulfill functional requirements of System Testing DSL

Research Methodology



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- Choice of Embedded DSL approach
- Choice of Programming Language

Microclassification of DSLs

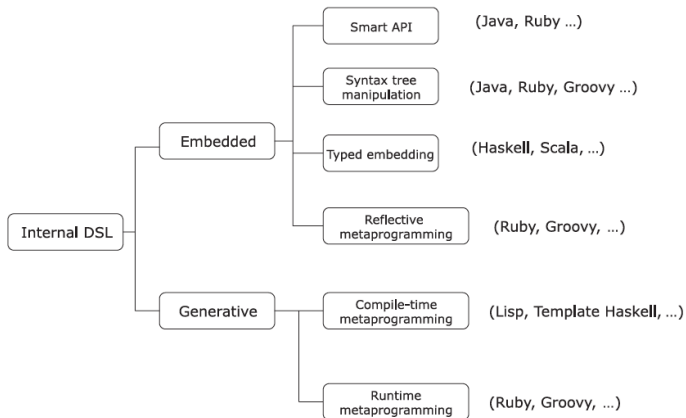


Figure: Classification of DSLs

Choice of Embedded DSL approach

- Lightweight
- Compile Time Type Checking
- Easily maintainable and extensible
- Emphasis on Semantics
- Loose Coupling
- Representational Independence

```
1 new SleekTestCaseBuilder runCommand "sleek"
2 onFile "/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/sleek9.slk"
3 withArguments "--elp" storeOutputInDirectory "results"
4 withOutputFileName "sleek9.out" checkAgainst "Valid, Fail, Valid, Valid"
```

Figure: Meaningful Semantics

Choice of Programming Language



Reasons for choosing Scala

Feature	How Scala Does it
Flexible Syntax	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Optional dots in method invocation 2. Semicolon inference 3. Infix operators 4. Optional parentheses
Extensible Type System	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scala shares Java's object model and extends it on many fronts 2. Traits for mix - in based inheritance 3. Case classes as value objects
Functional Support	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scala supports both OO and Functional styles of programming 2. Functions in Scala are first class values and higher order functions are supported by the type system 3. Custom DSL control structures can be defined as closures and easily passed around 4. In pure OO, everything needs to be modelled as classes whereas in Scala, functional support allows closer domain modelling

Figure: Motivation for using Scala

Scala is a better choice

- Greater type safety due to compile time checking [4]
- Better collections hierarchy
- Expressiveness
- High readability
- Flexible Syntax
- Functional Programming Support

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Architecture of DSL

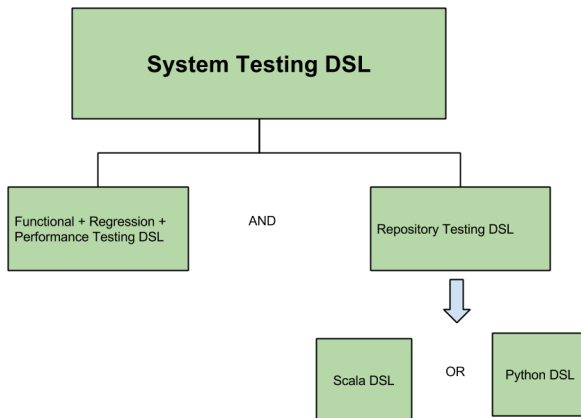


Figure: Architecture of System Testing DSL

Composition of DSLs

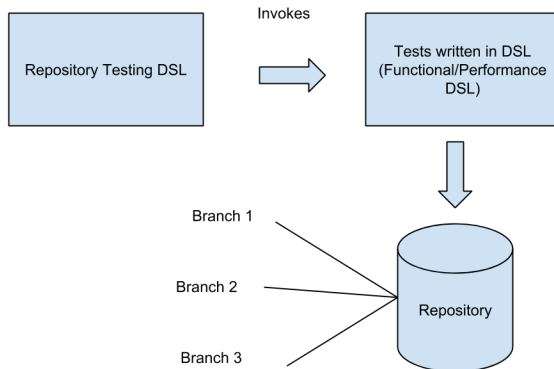


Figure: Composition Repository Testing and Functional/Performance Testing DSL

Features

- Regression Testing
- Functional Testing
- Performance Testing
- Repository Testing

Regression Testing

```
rohit@loris-82:~/High-Performance-DSLs$ sbt "run buildReference"
[info] Loading project definition from /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/project
[info] Set current project to SystemTestingDSL (in build file:/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
[info] Formatting 1 Scala source {file:/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/}high-performance-dsls(compile) ...
[info] Compiling 1 Scala source to /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/target/scala-2.10/classes...
[info] Running systemTestingDSL.Main buildReference
*****

Building References

*****

hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/under2.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/heaps.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/under.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/cll-d.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3b.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3a.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/dll.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/pr.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/dll-td2.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3d.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/modular.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3f.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/ll-3c.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/cll.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/dll-modular.ss
hip --print-min /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/baga/t/dll-append-mod.ss
```

Figure: Building References for Regression Testing

Regression Testing

Running Regression Tests

3 primary options provided - **buildReference**, **runReference** and **overrideReference**. The first one creates a repository of reference results for specified tests. The second option runs a set of tests against the stored references. The last option is for selectively rebuilding reference results.

Functional Testing - Sleek

```
sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer12.slk
Failed

Had: Entail (3) : Valid.
Expected: Fail

sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer12.slk
Passed

sleek --sa-en-cont /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer13.slk
Failed

Had: Entail (5) : Fail.(may) cause:UnionR[AndR[ ((x=1 & y=2 & fltd_37_152!=y) | (x=1 & y=fltd_37_152)) |- x=z. LOCS:[0;11]; ((x=1 & y=
2)) |- fltd_37_152=null. LOCS:[0;11;37] (may-bug).],AndR[ ((x=1 & y=2 & z=3 & fltd_37_164!=y & inf_p_141!=z) | (x=1 & y=2 &
Expected: Valid

sleek --sa-en-pure-field /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer14.slk
Passed

sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer15.slk
Failed

Binary failed to execute. Please investigate

sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer16.slk
Failed

Had: Entail (5) : Fail.(may) cause:AndR[ R(fld5) |- fld5=null. LOCS:[37;39]; inf_p_40=null & inf_p_40!=x & x!=null |- inf_p_40=z. LOCS:
[38;39] (may-bug).]
Expected: Valid

sleek --imm --en-imm-inv --etsu1 /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/ann2.slk
Passed
```

Figure: Running Sleek Tests Console Output

Functional Testing - Sleek

Sleek Tests

```
sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/sleek.slk
```

Passed

```
sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/cil-d.slk
```

Passed

```
sleek --dis-eps /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/label-basic.slk
```

Passed

```
sleek --dis-eps /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/label-dll.slk
```

Failed

```
() sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/sleek1.slk
```

Passed

```
sleek /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/sleek10.slk
```

Passed

Figure: Running Sleek Tests HTML Output

Performance Testing

```
rohit@loris-82:~/High-Performance-DSLs/results$ cat sleek_performance_report_06_55_15.perf
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer5.slk
Runtime was 1071 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/infer/infer5a.slk
Runtime was 1018 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/lemmas/lseg_case.slk
Runtime was 1391 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/lemmas/ll_tail.slk
Runtime was 1566 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/fracperm/split_simple.slk
Runtime was 3541 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier-dynamic2.slk
Runtime was 3236 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/./tree_shares/barrier.slk
Runtime was 12611 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/./tree_shares/barrier3.slk
Runtime was 10862 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/./tree_shares/fractions.slk
Runtime was 1175 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/fracperm/sleek8.slk
Runtime was 7789 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/fracperm/sleek9.slk
Runtime was 1627 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/fracperm/norm3.slk
Runtime was 1858 milliseconds
/home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/fracperm/split_simple.slk
Runtime was 3533 milliseconds
```

Figure: Performance Report for Sleek Tests

Repository Testing

```
(Running test on commit ,26dbee0d4dd3/ad004d5f8147/d85d8ec2c8663a)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14482_Wed Mar 18 0
(Running test on commit ,fd155de57e8cc9a288df923864d72cdb1d6804fa)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14481_Tue Mar 17 2
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(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14480_Tue Mar 17 2
(Running test on commit ,117991577fd13a6be01c46b727fc0e70735c5d95)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14479_Tue Mar 17 2
(Running test on commit ,d47b99af555f2f1aca42edde8e4eed0e3337217c0)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14478_Tue Mar 17 2
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(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14477_Tue Mar 17 2
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Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14476_Tue Mar 17 2
(Running test on commit ,1f62e178a5461fa0bffb569de7e19e166b648985)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14475_Sun Mar 08 2
(Running test on commit ,088e1a57b3234292d0772a15593ed42ad124f1a5)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14474_Tue Mar 17 2
(Running test on commit ,486de723f2bd634cc3b6427f9ec38f2d97a8b31f)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/)
Output stored in directory /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14473_Tue Mar 17 2
(Running test on commit ,eb24fc444399261e5a049dda24ba714a7a22113a)
(./sleek.sh,/home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool//ti_exp/sleek_tests/sleek_tests14472_Tue Mar 17 2)
```

Figure: Repository level tests being run on the HIP/SLEEK code base

Test Statistics

```
Total time taken to run all tests: 91206 seconds
```

```
Total number of tests: 138
```

```
Total number of tests passed: 107
```

```
Total number of tests failed: 31
```

```
[success] Total time: 92 s, completed Mar 24, 2015 2:37:05 AM
```

Figure: Test statistics at the end of every test Console Output

Test Statistics

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

Total number of tests: 138

Total number of tests passed: 101

Total number of tests failed: 37

[success] Total time: 127 s, completed Feb 12, 2015 4:53:58 AM

Figure: Test statistics at the end of every test HTML Output

Test Statistics

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

```
sleek --en-para -perm bperm -tp redlog /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/examples/working/sleek/veribsync/barrier
```

Passed

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Demo

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Summary of Work and Goals Achieved

- An innovative way of performing system level tests using functional, regression, repository and performance testing techniques
- An extensible DSL for functional, performance and regression testing on a system level
- Migration of a 2500 line **Perl Script** to DSL
- Several applications of the system were found - **HIP Verification, SLEEK verification, Repository and Regression Testing**
- A DSL was developed in Python and Scala which can test all branches/commits of a mercurial project and summarize the results in an organized manner

Innovation

Innovation

There are several unit testing and web testing frameworks present in the software testing ecosystem today. However, there are very few tools that perform system level tests. The DSLs implemented fill in this gap in the testing ecosystem by providing flexible ways of performing regression, functional and performance testing. The **Repository Testing** feature provided is an innovative and effective technique to test the source code repository when several developers are contributing to it.

Limitations and Future Work

- Improvement of Performance Testing features including graphical user interfaces
- Cleaner syntax that abstracts away more details of host language, Scala
- Run - time performance optimization through some meta - programming
- Integrate **Git**, **SVN** or other version control tools with the reporting tool in Python
- Extension of DSL to make it more generic and applicable to different applications for system testing

Key Takeaways

- Importance of system testing
- Insight into DSL development and **industry best practices**
- Exposure to the functional and OOP idioms and constructs in **Scala** and **Python**
- Understanding of how testing frameworks (JUnit/ScalaTest) are built

Project Statistics

- 80% of the project was written in **Scala**
- The total number of lines of code in the system are approximately **10,000**
- The project has **228 commits** and 7 branches

A graph showing commit frequency between September and April is shown below:

Sep 14, 2014 – Apr 7, 2015

Contributions to master, excluding merge commits

Contributions: **Commits** ▾

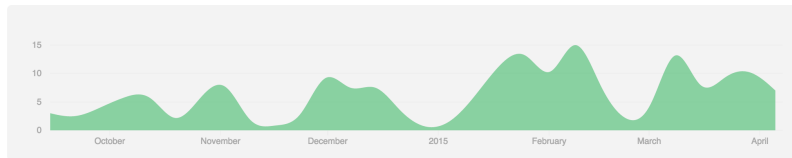


Figure: Commit frequency statistics generated by Github

Q&A

Thank You!

Appendix 1 - UML for Repository Testing DSL

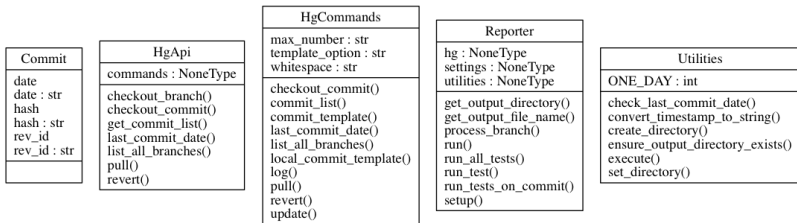


Figure: UML Diagram for Repository Testing DSL

Appendix 2 - Design Patterns

- Singleton
- Factory Pattern
- Builder Pattern
- Future Await Pattern

Appendix 3 - YAML for configuration

YAML was chosen as the markup language for configuration language for the DSLs. An example of the YAML markup is shown below:

```
# Settings File
---

# Directory settings for machines
repository:
  remote:
  loris_local: /home/rohit/hg/sleek_hip/
  local: /Users/rohitmukherjee/dev/repositories/scalaWorkspace/High-Performance-DSLs/

# Application Settings
app:
  # Time period to run tests in days
  time_period: 180 # Run tests for commits made in the last months
  output_directory_name: Sleek_Test_Results
  # Must end with a '/'
  output_directory_location: /home/rohit/High-Performance-DSLs/Reporting Tool/
```

Figure: settings.yaml - used to configure the reporting tool

Appendix 4 - Reasons for choosing YAML

- Human Readability (more so than XML/JSON)
- Low number of format characters
- Language agnostic, can be parsed easily by different languages
- Sufficient types of data structures
- Not verbose like XML
- Faster than XML
- Python - like syntax

Appendix 5 - Reasons for choosing sbt as build tool

- Incremental compilation
- Interactive Shell
- Native support for compiling Scala code and integrating with many Scala test frameworks
- Build descriptions written in a Scala DSL[15]
- Dependency Resolution

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