

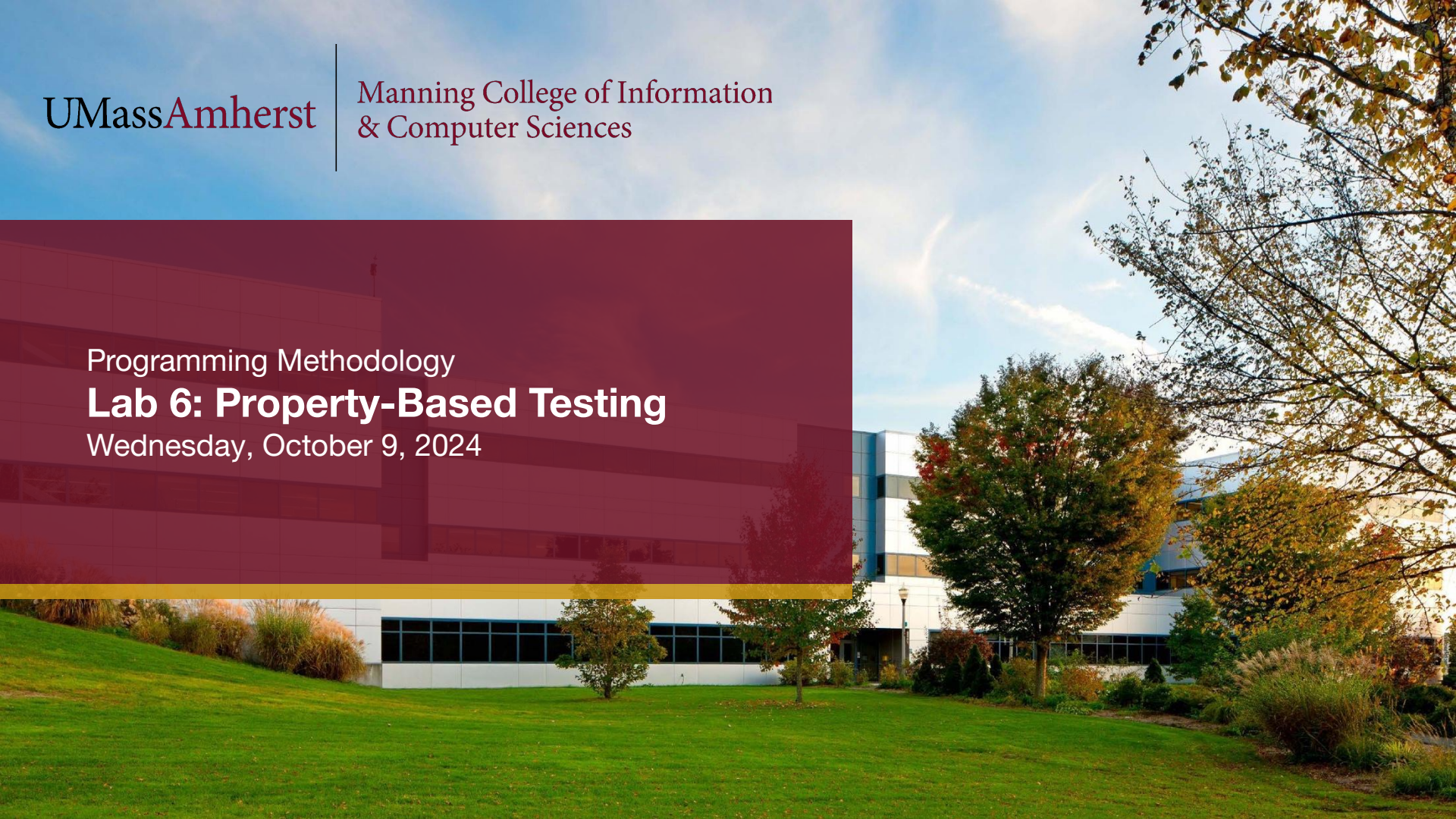
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Programming Methodology

Lab 6: Property-Based Testing

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Property-Based Testing

Used when a problem has **more than one** right answer

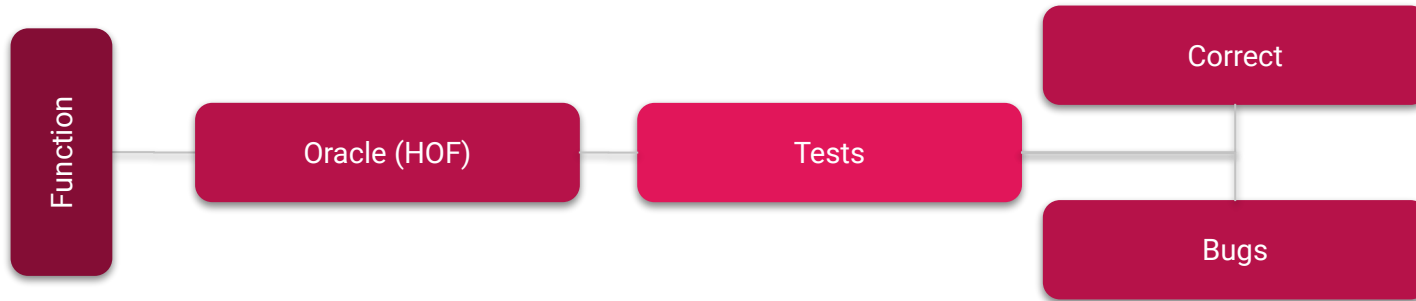
Steps to Property-Based Testing:

1. Start with a valid input to your problem
2. Run the algorithm on that input
3. Check that the result has all necessary characteristics

Oracle Functions

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Exercise: Permutations

A function **genArray**(n : number): number[][] is supposed to generate an $n \times n$ array of numbers such that each row and column is a permutation of the numbers from 0 to $n-1$. Assume n is nonnegative.

Write an oracle that accepts the function genArray as input.

Use higher-order functions when appropriate. Try to write your implementation in $O(n^2)$.

Exercise: OOP

Think back to lecture where you discussed the shapes classes. Before we start with this exercise, please familiarize yourself yourself for a few minutes with the code in the starter code. It should seem familiar to you.

Uncomment and run the three examples and make sure you understand!

- Your TA will demonstrate this.

Implement a **class** Translate whose constructor takes a shape and a change in x and change in y value. When the draw method is called with a CanvasRenderingContext2D (ctx) and a color, shift the canvas by dx and dy using ctx.translate, draw the shape on the moved canvas, and move the canvas back to the starting position.

Now run ``npm run start``. You'll know your code is correct by the image.

Review Exam Questions

With the left over time we'll go over exam questions that you all found difficult.

Suggestion: Q4 or Q6, but we can go over any you want.

Midterm 1 - Q4

Write a function Q4 trackTemp(val: number): (diff: number) => [temp: number, days: number] that takes as argument the noon temperature on day 0 and returns a closure that can be called repeatedly. A call represents a new day, with a change in the noon temperature by an amount diff (positive, negative or zero) from the day before. The closure should return a pair of numbers: the noon temperature on the current day, and the number of consecutive days (≥ 1) that have passed without the temperature change diff having switched sign (zero is not a sign switch).

```
function trackTemp(val: number): (diff: number) => [temp: number, days: number] {  
  let days = 0, lastS = 0;  
  return diff => {  
    if (lastS * diff < 0) days = 0;           // sign change  
    if (diff !== 0) lastS = diff;           // try to make lastS <> 0, or keep it  
    return [val+=diff, ++days];  
  }  
}
```

What are some relevant test scenarios?

Explain input, output, their purpose and what behavior they are testing.

An array represents employee wage increases in the years since their union was founded. There is one entry per year, representing the increase from the previous year as a ratio (assumed > 1). The first array entry is the increase in the year following the founding year. Write a function `calcIncrease(byYear: number[]): ((wage: number) => number)[]` that takes such an array and returns an array of closures, with the same length. When called with a wage amount for the founding year, the closure for each year will return the adjusted wage in that year, after all increases. Use `reduce`, no loops. Avoid needless repeated computations.

```
type numFun = (x: number) => number

function calcIncrease(byYear: number[]): numFun[] {
  const res: numFun[] = [];
  byYear.reduce((acc, rate) => {
    acc *= rate;
    res.push(x => x * acc);
    return acc;
  }, 1);
  return res;
}
```