Testing with rostest and GTest

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- Ariane 5
 - 370 million US\$ damage
 - Overflow of inertial system led to deactivation
 - Direct usage of Ariane 4 software
 - Lack of exception handling in Ariane 4 code
 - No test of Ariane 4 code within Ariane 5

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Automatically test software on each code change and report results.

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Benefits

- Eases integration
- Finds bugs during development
- Documents API
- Checks refactoring

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GTest Primer Example

```
1 // Tests factorial of 0.
2 TEST(FactorialTest, HandlesZeroInput) {
3    EXPECT_EQ(1, Factorial(0));
4 }
5
6 // Tests factorial of positive numbers.
7 TEST(FactorialTest, HandlesPositiveInput) {
8    EXPECT_EQ(1, Factorial(1));
9    EXPECT_EQ(2, Factorial(2));
10    EXPECT_EQ(6, Factorial(3));
11    EXPECT_EQ(40320, Factorial(8));
12 }
```

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Create Documentation

cd src/cars && Doxygen common/Doxyfile

Accessing Documentation

Webbrowser on src/cars/doc/html/index.html

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Basic Simulation

A simple car simulation using RVIZ to show the current state. The cars are remotely controlled using individual nodes. The simulation node handles new cars, state updates and collision checking. The simulation's speed can be set using the frameRate parameter.

Run Simulation

roslaunch cars run.launch

Adding Cars

Adding Cars

Each car has its own unique identifier. The first car is always "BEG_IN_001". The car's id can be set using the numberPlate parameter.

Add Car

roslaunch cars car.launch numberPlate:=<something unique>

Unit Tests

Running Unit Tests

Unit test are integrated within catkin using the CMakeLists.txt.

Run Unit Tests

catkin_make run_tests

Result of Unit Tests

Unit tests report their result in the console after the tests are finished. Additionally, a XML-file containing the results can be found in the build-folder of the workspace. In this case:

build/test_results/cars/gtest_cars_test.xml

rostests

Running rostest-Tests

rostest-Tests are integrated using roslaunch's XML notion. They are executed using rostest. They spawn their own roscore on a different port to avoid interfering with an existing instance.

Run Simulation Test

rostest cars simHz.test

Run Car Test

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Result of rostest-Tests

rostest-Tests report their result in the console after the tests are finished. However, this is only a brief overview. The full result is an XML-file in the user's .ros-folder, in this case:

.ros/test_results/cars/...

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the results and returns 0 on success

Defining Tests

A test is always associated to a test suite and has a unique name. There exist two specifications:

TEST(Suite, test): Declares an isolated test named test associated to the test suite suite.

TEST_F(Suite, test) : Declares a test test using a Fixture named after the test suite suite.

ASSERT vs. EXPECT

Basic Test Operations

The following test operations are automatically recognized and evaluated by *G*Test:

```
ASSERT_TRUE(): If passed parameter evaluates to false stops
             execution of the test and fails it
EXPECT_TRUE(): If passed parameter evaluates to false
             continues with the test, but test fails anyway
  \ldotsEQ(): Test for equality of items (typically using ==)
   ... NE(): Test for inequality of items (typically using !=)
  ... LT(): Test for if first item is less then second item
             (typically using \leq =)
..._STREQ() : Test for equality of two C string ((const) char*)
..._STRCASEEQ(): Test for equality of two C string ignoring case
             ((const) char*)
```

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```
class CarTestSuite : public ::testing::Test{
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        ros::ServiceServer mServer;
        bool callback ( cars::NewCar::Request& req,
                         cars::NewCar::Response& res){
          res.success = true;
          return true;
      public:
        CarTestSuite() {
10
          ros::NodeHandle n;
11
          mServer = n.advertiseService( "carRegistry",
12
                                          &CarTestSuite::callback,
13
                                          this);
14
15
```

Advanced Tests

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The general test operation cannot grasp all language constructs that are test-worthy. One very important example is exception handling. Fortunately, the advanced test operations of GTest already contain appropriate operations:

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Many More

There exist many more specialized test operations in GTest to be presented in this talk. Have a look yourself, when you feel the need to!

Why Automated Testing

CMakeList.txt

Typically, there will be one GTest program per packet. This program needs to be registered with Catkin through the CMakeList.txt using catkin_add_gtest. The signature of the statement is similar to add_executable. However, if libraries need to be linked to the test program additional work needs to be done. As a template the following CMake snippet may be used:

```
Add gtest based cpp test target and link libraries
catkin_add_gtest(${PROJECT_NAME}-test src/Test.cpp)
if(TARGET ${PROJECT_NAME}-test)
 target_link_libraries(${PROJECT_NAME}-test
                        ${catkin_LIBRARIES}
                        ${PROJECT_NAME})
endif()
```

Writing a rostest-Test

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rostest roslaunch XML-Files

rostest uses the roslaunch XML description. The tag <test> is especially reserved for rostest and is ignored by roslaunch. <test> is similar to a node accepting cparam> and being grouped in a namespace. The code executed by such a node needs to be a set of test suites implemented using GTest. It may be integrated in your CMakeLists.txt using add_rostest_gtest(name, testFile, GTestSource).

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HzTest

Pre-defined Publish Rate Test

rostest already provides a pre-build test. The so-called hztest tests publish frequency of nodes. It is very configurable using different parameters like:

topic: Topic to listen to (namespace aware)

hz : target frequency of the publisher

hzerror: allowed difference between measured frequence and

hz value

test_duration: how long the test should run

HzTest Example

```
<launch>
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      <include file="$(finducars)/launch/sim.launch">
        <arg name="frameRate" value="0.1"/>
      </include>
      <test test-name="hztest_test" pkg="rostest" type="hztest"</pre>
            name="simHz" >
        <param name="topic" value="roads" />
        <param name="hz" value="10" />
        <param name="hzerror" value="1" />
10
        <param name="test_duration" value="5.0" />
11
      </test>
12
    </launch>
```

Next Time

- Testing interfaces
- Mocking interfaces using GMock
- Using selftest to test on run time
- Using git to find regressions