Lecture 07: State-Transition Testing & Exploratory Testing

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Structure of Lecture 6

• Lab 7
• State-Transition Testing
• Exploratory Testing
**TDD and BDD**

- **Developer TDD** => Unit Tests

  **Acceptance TDD** => Acceptance Tests  
  also called: Behavior-driven testing (BDD)
Behavior Testing

Typical Process:
• Business analyst writes a user story
• (Acceptance) tester writes scenarios based on user story
• Business team reviews scenarios
• Test engineer writes the step definitions for the scenario steps
• QA team writes test scripts (to automate the scenarios)
• The test scripts are run, issues analysed and bugs fixed
• The test scripts are run as regression tests
• End user accepts the software if tests pass (acceptance criteria met)

Scenario definition language: Gherkin (DSL)
Scripting language: Java (programming language)
Test automation framework: Cucumber, JBehave
Behavior Testing – Features/Scenarios

Feature = Describes ”what” the software shall do (not: ”how”)

User Story:
As a project manager, I want to know what day is today, so I don’t make planning mistakes

Example/Scenario:
  Given today is Monday
  When I ask whether it is Friday yet
  Then I should get the answer ”nope”
Gherkin

- A Domain Specific Language (DSL) that helps non-programmers express requirements (features) in a structured manner
Gherkin – Example

**Feature:** Is it Friday yet?
PMs want to know whether it's Friday

**Scenario:** Monday isn't Friday

*Given* today is Monday
*When* I ask whether it's Friday yet
*Then* I should be told "Nope"
Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   PMs want to know whether it's Friday yet.

Scenario: Monday isn't Friday
   Given today is Monday
   When I ask whether it's Friday
   Then I should be told "Nope"

The first line of this file starts with the keyword Feature: followed by a name. Features will be saved in *.feature files in Cucumber. It's a good idea to use a name similar to the file name.

The second line is a brief description of the feature. Cucumber does not execute this line, it's just documentation.

The fourth line, Scenario: Sunday is not Friday is a scenario, which is a concrete example illustrating how the software should behave.

The last three lines starting with Given, When and Then are the steps of our scenario. This is what Cucumber will execute.
Gherkin – Example

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Scenario: Monday isn't Friday
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    Then I should be told "Nope"

The purpose of Given steps is to put the system in a known state before the user (or external system) starts interacting with the system (in the When steps). Avoid talking about user interaction in givens. If you have worked with use cases, givens are your preconditions.

The purpose of When steps is to describe the key action the user performs.

The purpose of Then steps is to observe outcomes. The observations should be related to the business value/benefit in your feature description. Thus, it should be related to something visible from the outside (behavior).
Gherkin – Template

Feature: Some terse yet descriptive text of what is desired
In order to realize a named business value
As an explicit system actor
I want to gain some beneficial outcome which furthers the goal

Scenario: Some determinable business situation
Given some precondition
    And some other precondition
When some action by the actor
    And some other action
    And yet another action
Then some testable outcome is achieved
    And something else we can check happens too

Scenario: A different situation
...
Gherkin – Template

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And some other precondition
When some action by the actor
And some other action
And yet another action
Then some testable outcome is achieved
And something else we can check.

**Scenario:** A different situation ...

Gherkin is a line-oriented language that uses indentation to define structure.
Line endings terminate statements (called steps).
Finally, most lines in Gherkin start with a special keyword:

- Feature
- Scenario
- Given
- When
- Then
- And
- But
Gherkin – Another Example using ‘And’

**Feature:** Serve coffee

In order to earn money  
Customers should be able to  
buy coffee at all times

**Scenario:** Buy last coffee

*Given* there are 1 coffees left in the machine  
*And* I have deposited 1 dollar  
*When* I press the coffee button  
*Then* I should be served a coffee
Gherkin – Yet Another Example

**Scenario:** Wilson posts to his own blog
- **Given** I am logged in as Wilson
- **When** I try to post to "Expensive Therapy"
- **Then** I should see "Your article was published."

**Scenario:** Wilson fails to post to somebody else's blog
- **Given** I am logged in as Wilson
- **When** I try to post to "Greg's anti-tax rants"
- **Then** I should see "Hey! That's not your blog!"

**Scenario:** Greg posts to a client's blog
- **Given** I am logged in as Greg
- **When** I try to post to "Expensive Therapy"
- **Then** I should see "Your article was published."
Gherkin – Yet Another Example

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Feature files can contain several scenarios.

Note: Scenarios that are to be used across features should be collected in a common.feature file.
Gherkin – Yet Another Example

**Scenario:** Eat 5 out of 12
  - **Given** there are 12 cucumbers
  - **When** I eat 5 cucumbers
  - **Then** I should have 7 cucumbers

**Scenario:** Eat 5 out of 20
  - **Given** there are 20 cucumbers
  - **When** I eat 5 cucumbers
  - **Then** I should have 15 cucumbers

Adding scenarios with just different values is tiresome.
Gherkin – Yet Another Example

Scenario Outline: Eating

Given there are \(<\text{start}>\) cucumbers

When I eat \(<\text{eat}>\) cucumbers

Then I should have \(<\text{left}>\) cucumbers

Examples:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>start</th>
<th>eat</th>
<th>left</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Solution:
Use Scenario Outlines instead!
Scenario:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>name</th>
<th>email</th>
<th>phone</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Aslak</td>
<td><a href="mailto:aslak@email.com">aslak@email.com</a></td>
<td>123</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Joe</td>
<td><a href="mailto:joe@email.com">joe@email.com</a></td>
<td>234</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bryan</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bryan@email.org">bryan@email.org</a></td>
<td>456</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

NOT the same as Scenario Outlines!

Tables as arguments to steps are handy for specifying a larger data set - usually as input to a Given or as expected output from a Then.
Cucumber – Gherkin Tutorial

A 10 min tutorial that explains how to:
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• Write your first Scenario using the Gherkin syntax
• Write your first step definition in Java
• Run Cucumber
• Learn the basic workflow of Behaviour-Driven Development (BDD)

Can be found here:
https://docs.cucumber.io/guides/10-minute-tutorial/
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

- Install Cucumber
- Create empty project "hellocucumber"
- Verify Cucumber installation by typing in terminal:

  mvn test

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Cucumber – Gherkin Example

- Install Cucumber
- Create empty project
- Verify Cucumber installation in terminal:
  
  ```
  mvn test
  
  Tests run: 0, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 0.541 sec
  ```

Cucumber’s output is telling us that it didn’t find anything to run.
Create a .feature file and write a scenario:

**Feature**: Is it Friday yet?
- Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

**Scenario**: Sunday isn't Friday
- Given today is Sunday
- When I ask whether it's Friday yet
- Then I should be told "Nope"

File path:
src/test/resources/hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Cucumber executes the feature file after typing:

mvn test

<Cucumber output on next slide>
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Cucumber executes the feature file after typing:

```
mvn test
```

Cucumber detects the scenario file but notices that neither the scenario nor the Given-When-Then steps have been implemented as tests.

You can implement missing steps with the snippets below:
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

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```java
@Given("^today is Sunday$")
public void today_is_Sunday() {
    // Write code here that turns the phrase above into concrete actions
    throw new PendingException();
}

@When("^I ask whether it's Friday yet$")
public void i_ask_whether_it_s_Friday_yet() {
    // Write code here that turns the phrase above into concrete actions
    throw new PendingException();
}

@Then("^I should be told \"([^\"]*)\"$")
public void i_should_be_told(String arg1) {
    // Write code here that turns the phrase above into concrete actions
    throw new PendingException();
}
```

Cucumber suggests test code snippets.

mvn test
Cucumber –

Create test code file and execute test in Cucumber typing:

```java
mvn test
```

```java
import cucumber.api.java.en.Given;
import cucumber.api.java.en.When;
import cucumber.api.java.en.Then;
import static org.junit.Assert.*;

public class Stepdefs {

    @Given("^today is Sunday$")
    public void today_is_Sunday() {
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    }

    @When("^I ask whether it's Friday yet$")
    public void i_ask_whether_it_s_Friday_yet() {
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    @Then("^I should be told "([^"]*)"$")
    public void i_should_be_told(String expectedAnswer) {
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        throw new PendingException();
    }
}
```
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

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    }

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        // Write code here turning the phrase above into action
        throw new PendingException();
    }
}
```

src/test/java/helloCucumber/Stepdefs.java

Cucumber detects the scenarios (.feature file) and the Given-When-Then steps (.java file).
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```java
mvn test
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import cucumber.api.java.en.Given;
import cucumber.api.java.en.When;
import cucumber.api.java.en.Then;
import static org.junit.Assert.*;

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    {
        // Write code here turning the phrase above into action
        throw new PendingException();
    }

    @When("^I ask whether it's Friday yet$")
    public void i_ask_whether_it_s_Friday_yet()
    {
        // Write code here turning the phrase above into action
        throw new PendingException();
    }

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src/test/java/hellocucumber/Stepdefs.java

Since an exception is thrown in the first step (Given), the next steps are skipped.
Cucumber –

Update test code file and execute test in Cucumber typing:

mvn test

import cucumber.api.java.en.Given;
import cucumber.api.java.en.When;
import cucumber.api.java.en.Then;
import static org.junit.Assert.*;

class IsItFriday {
    static String isItFriday(String today) {
        return null;
    }
}

public class Stepdefs {
    private String today;
    private String actualAnswer;

    @Given("^today is Sunday$")
    public void today_is_Sunday() {
        today = "Sunday";
    }

    @When("^I ask whether it's Friday yet$")
    public void i_ask WHETHER iT_s FRIDAY yet() {
        actualAnswer = IsItFriday.isItFriday(today);
    }

    @Then("^I should be told \"[^\"]*\"$")
    public void i_should_be_told(String expectedAnswer) {
        assertEquals(expectedAnswer, actualAnswer);
    }
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    }

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    public void i_should_be_told(String expectedAnswer) {
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Cucumber –

Update test code file to make test pass and execute test in Cucumber typing:

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    }
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}
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Update test code to make test pass and execute test in Cucumber using:

```
mvn test
```

SUCCESS!
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

The next thing to test for would be that we also get the correct result when it is Friday.
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

Scenario: Sunday isn't Friday
   Given today is Sunday
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told "Nope"

Scenario: Friday is Friday
   Given today is Sunday
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told "TGIF"

Add new scenario in feature file.
Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

Scenario: Sunday isn't Friday
   Given today is Sunday
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told "Nope"

Scenario: Friday is Friday
   Given today is Sunday
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   Then I should be told "TGIF"

Add corresponding Step definition in .java file.

```java
@Given("^today is Friday$")
public void today_is_Friday() {
    this.today = "Friday";
}
```
Of course, the new scenario fails.
We haven’t yet fully implemented the logic!
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

```
static String isItFriday(String today) {
    return "Nope";
}
```

```
static String isItFriday(String today) {
    if (today.equals("Friday")) {
        return "TGIF";
    }
    return "Nope";
}
```

Change code in helper class to reflect the logic.

... then run Cucumber again.
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

SUCCESS!

Running hellocucumber.RunCucumberTest
Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

Scenario: Friday is Friday
   Given today is Friday
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told "TGIF"

Scenario: Sunday isn't Friday
   Given today is Sunday
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told "Nope"

2 scenarios (2 passed)
6 steps (6 passed)
0m0.255s
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Now let’s make our tests more flexible using ‘Scenario Outline’ und ‘Example’ (Data-driven Testing).
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

   Scenario Outline: Today is or is not Friday
      Given today is "<day>"
      When I ask whether it's Friday yet
      Then I should be told "<answer>"

Examples:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>day</th>
<th>answer</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>TGIF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>Nope</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>anything else!</td>
<td>Nope</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

File: src/test/resources/hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

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    public void today_is(String today) {
        this.today = today;
    }
    @When("^I ask whether it's Friday yet$")
    public void i_ask_whether_it_s_Friday_yet() {
        this.actualAnswer = IsItFriday.isItFriday(today);
    }
    @Then("^I should be told \"([^\"]*)\"\$")
    public void i_should_be_told(String expectedAnswer) {
        assertEquals(expectedAnswer, actualAnswer);
    }
}

Merge two steps into one.
Cucumber – Gherkin Example

Running hellocucumber.RunCucumberTest
Feature: Is it Friday yet?
   Everybody wants to know when it's Friday

Scenario Outline: Today is or is not Friday # hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature:4
   # hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature:5
   # hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature:6
   # hellocucumber/is_it_friday_yet.feature:7
   Given today is <day>
   When I ask whether it's Friday yet
   Then I should be told <answer>

Examples:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>day</th>
<th>answer</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>&quot;Friday&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;TGIF&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>&quot;Sunday&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;Nope&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>&quot;anything else!&quot;</td>
<td>&quot;Nope&quot;</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3 scenarios (3 passed)
9 steps (9 passed)
0m0.255s

SUCCESS!
All tests of the three scenarios have passed.
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In Lab 7 you will use Gherkin with Behave and Python instead.
Lab 7 – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline

Lab 7 (week 31: Apr 02 & 03) – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline (10 points)

Lab 7 Instructions & Tools

Submission Deadlines:
- Tuesday Labs: Monday, 08 Apr, 23:59
- Wednesday Labs: Tuesday, 09 Apr, 23:59

- Penalties apply for late delivery: 50% penalty, if submitted up to 24 hours late; 100 penalty, if submitted more than 24 hours late
Lab 7 – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline

Lab 7 (week 31: Apr 02 & 03) – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline (10 points)

Lab 7 Instructions & Tools

Feature: Login form

Scenario: Access the login form with valid credentials

Given an anonymous user
When user submits a valid login page
Then user is redirected to / page # Home page
Lab 7 – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline

Lab 7 (week 31: Apr 02 & 03) – Web-App Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline (10 points)

Lab 7 Instructions & Tools

Instructions

- **Gherkin**
- **Behave**
- **Django**
- **Web Application Test Code**
- **Specification**

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Feature: Login form

Scenario: Access the login form with anonymous user

Given an anonymous user
When user submits a valid login page
Then user is redirected to /page

```
@given('an anonymous user')
def step_impl(context):
    # Creates user with given credentials and saves it to database.
    u = UserFactory(username='foo', email='foo@example.com')
    u.set_password('bar')
    u.save()

@when('user submits a valid login page')
def step_impl(context):
    # Retrieve browser instance to locate elements
    br = context.browser
    br.get(context.base_url + '/login/')

    # locate elements by name, id, tag, css class, etc
    br.find_element_by_name('username').send_keys('foo')
    br.find_element_by_name('password').send_keys('bar')
    br.find_element_by_name('submit').click()

@then('user is redirected to {url} page')
def step_impl(context, url):
    br = context.browser

    # Python's built-in asserting function
    assert url in br.current_url, 'User is redirected to a wrong URL'
```
Lab 7: CI/CD with Bitbucket Pipelines

- Bitbucket Pipelines
  - integrated CI/CD service, built into Bitbucket.
- It allows you to automatically build, test and even deploy your code, based on a configuration file in your repository.

To set up Pipelines you need to create and configure the file `bitbucket-pipelines.yml` in the root directory of your repository.
The `bitbucket-pipelines.yml` file holds all the build configurations for your repository. YAML is a file format that is easy to read, but writing it requires care. Indenting must use spaces, as tab characters are not allowed.

There is a lot you can configure in the `bitbucket-pipelines.yml` file, but at its most basic the required keywords are:

- **pipelines**: contains all your pipeline definitions.
- **default**: contains the steps that run on every push.
- **step**: each step starts a new Docker container with a clone of your repository, then runs the contents of your **script** section.
- **script**: a list of commands that are executed in sequence.

Bitbucket Pipelines Documentation:

Black-Box Testing Techniques

- Equivalence class partitioning (ECP)
- Boundary value analysis (BVA)
- Cause-effect graphing
- Combinatorial testing
- State transition testing (State-based testing)
- Exploratory testing
- Usability testing
- A/B testing (UX)
Structure of Lecture 6

• Lab 7
• State-Transition Testing
• Exploratory Testing
State-Transition Testing - Example

Use Case Diagram

Check Account
Withdraw Money
...

ATM

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State-Transition Testing - Example

Use Case Description: Check Account

Role: Customer
Goal: Customer wants to check the amount of money in his/her accounts

Scenario (actions):
1. ATM asks for customer card
2. Customer enters card
3. ATM asks for PIN code
4. Customer enters PIN code
5. …
State-Transition Diagram

Now create a set of test cases that triggers each state-transition at least once
State Table

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Input (Event)</th>
<th>State</th>
<th>Wait for Card (S1)</th>
<th>Wait for PIN (S2)</th>
<th>Next (S3)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Card inserted</td>
<td>Ask for PIN -&gt; S2</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Invalid PIN</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Beep -&gt; S2</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Valid PIN</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Ask amount -&gt; S3</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cancel</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Return card -&gt; S1</td>
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</table>
State Table

4 Test Cases:
S1 -> 'Card inserted' / 'Ask for PIN' -> S2
S2 -> 'Invalid PIN' / 'Beep' -> S2
S2 -> 'Valid PIN' / 'Ask amount' -> S3
S2 -> 'Cancel' / 'Return card' -> S1

Test (=sequence of test cases):
S1 -> 'Card inserted' / 'Ask for PIN' -> S2 -> 'Cancel' / 'Return card' -> S1
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

Extract of a Specification Doc:

Parameters

- PORT_A: calling phone
- PORT_B: called phone

PORT_A identifies the connection from which a call is to be set up. The actual state of the call setup is globally available. Depending on this a new state arises after the evaluation of the transferred event. The delivered state is DISCONNECTED, if the call setup was terminated, it is DIALING, if the call setup is in progress but not completed yet. It is CONNECTED, if the call setup was successfully completed. In this case PORT_B delivers the connection of the selected subscriber, otherwise the data content of PORT_B is undefined. A call setup requires the sequence UNHOOK (DIGIT_N)* and the digit sequence must represent a valid number. HANG UP always leads to the complete termination of the call. If TIMEOUT occurs, HANG UP brings the software back into the initial state (DISCONNECTED)
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

The minimal test strategy is to cover each state at least once.

A better strategy is to cover each transition at least once, which leads, e.g., to the following tests ...
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart

DISCONNECTED, unhook -> DIALING, hang up -> DISCONNECTED
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart

- DISCONNECTED, unhook -> DIALING
- DIALING, timeout -> TIMEOUT OCCURRED
- TIMEOUT OCCURRED, hang up -> DISCONNECTED
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart

DISCONNECTED, unhook -> DIALING, Digit 0..9 ->
DIALING, Digit 0..9 ->
DIALING, dialed number valid -> CONNECTED, hang up -> DISCONNECTED
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart

- DISCONNECTED, unhook -> DIALING, Digit 0..9 -
- DIALING, Digit 0..9 -
- DIALING, dialed number invalid -> INVALID NUMBER, timeout -> TIMEOUT OCCURRED, hang up -> DISCONNECTED
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

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- DISCONNECTED, unhook -> DIALING, Digit 0..9 -> DIALING, Digit 0..9 -> DIALING, dialed number invalid -> INVALID NUMBER, timeout -> TIMEOUT OCCURRED, hang up -> DISCONNECTED

... and so on ...
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

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Furthermore, it is useful to test all events, if transitions can be initiated by more than one event. The result is a hierarchy of test techniques:

all states ≤ all transitions ≤ all events

Important: Do not forget to test the failure treatment!
State-Transition Testing: Example 2
State-Transition Testing: Example 2

State Chart
with FAILURE state
State-Transition Testing (state-transition coverage) vs. White-Box Testing (control-flow-coverage)
Stack Example

```java
public class Stack {
    int[] values = new int[3];
    int size = 0;

    void push(int x) {
        if (size >= values.length) {
            resize();
        }
        values[size++] = x;
    }

    int pop() {
        if (size > 0) {
            return values[size--];
        }
        throw new EmptyStackException();
    }

    private void resize() {
        int[] tmp = new int[values.length * 2];
        for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++) {
            tmp[i] = values[i];
        }
        values = tmp;
    }
}
```

push(elem1)
pop() -> elem1
pop() -> exception

push(elem1)
...
push(elem4) -> resize()
pop() -> elem4
Stack Example

```java
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        }
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    }
}
```

100% branch coverage with:

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}
```

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int0 = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```
Stack Example

100% branch coverage with:

---

Stack stack0 = new Stack();  // TC1
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}

Stack stack0 = new Stack();  // TC2
int int0 = -55;
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stack0.push(int0);
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Stack Example

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Stack stack0 = new Stack(); // TC1
try {
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}
```

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stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```
Stack Example

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Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}
```

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
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Stack stack0 = new Stack();
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TC1

TC2
Stack Example

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TC2
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int0 = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) { }
Stack Example

Stack() -> pop() -> if
true -> pop() -> if
false -> push(x)

Stack() -> push(x) -> if
true -> push(x) -> if false
false (size < values.length)

Stack() -> resize() for
true -> resize() for
false

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stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```

100% branch coverage with:

**TC1**
```
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}
```

**TC2**
```
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int0 = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```
Stack Example

Stack (null)

try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int0 = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
Stack Example

public class Stack {
    int[] values = new int[3];
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    void push(int x) {
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            resize();
        }
        values[size++] = x;
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        }
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    private void resize() {
        int[] tmp = new int[values.length * 2];
        for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++) {
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        }
        values = tmp;
    }
}

Specification:
- When Stack has been created, it is empty
- When elements are added (push), the stack is not empty
- When Stack is full and an element added, it will be resized
- When the last element has been removed (pop) from Stack, it is empty
- When Stack is empty and an element shall be removed, an error occurs.
State Diagram for Stack Example

non_exist \rightarrow \text{Stack()}

\text{empty (size = 0)} \rightarrow \text{pop()}

\text{error}

\text{push(x)}

\text{not_empty (0 < size <= length)}

\text{pop() / size--}

\text{resize(); size++}

Note: \text{resize()} is a private method
\text{length := length*2}
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch(EmptyStackException e) {
}

Note: resize() is a private method
length := length*2
Stack\( \text{stack0} = \text{new Stack}(); \)
\text{int int0} = -510;
\text{stack0.push(int0);}  
\text{stack0.push(int0);}  
\text{stack0.push(int0);}  
\text{stack0.push(int0);}  
\text{stack0.pop();}

**Note:** \( \text{resize()} \) is a private method

\( \text{length} := \text{length} \times 2 \)
**TC3**

(to cover all state-transitions)

- **non_exist**
  - **Stack()**
- **empty (size = 0)**
  - **pop()**
  - **error**
  - **pop() / size--**
  - **[size = 1]** push(x) / size++
- **not_empty (0 < size <= length)**
  - **push(x) / size++**
  - **[size > 1] pop() / size--**
  - **[size = length] push(x) / resize(); size++**

**Note:** resize() is a private method

length := length*2
Merge TC1 / TC2 / TC3 ➔ TC1*

TC1

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}
```

TC2

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int(0) = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```

TC3

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int(0) = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
```

TC1*

```java
Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int(0) = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();
stack0.pop();
stack0.pop();
stack0.pop();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}
```
Merge TC1 / TC2 / TC3 ➔ TC1*

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
try {
    stack0.pop();
} catch (EmptyStackException e) {
}

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int0 = -55;
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stack0.push(int0);
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Stack stack0 = new Stack();
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stack0.push(int0);
stack0.pop();

TC1
NON_EXIST -> Stack() -> EMPTY -> pop() -> ERROR
[length = 5]

TC2
NON_EXIST -> Stack() -> EMPTY -> push() -> NOT_EMPTY -> push() -> NOT_EMPTY -> push() -> NOT_EMPTY -> push() -> NOT_EMPTY -> pop() -> NOT_EMPTY
[length = 13]

TC3
NON_EXIST -> Stack() -> EMPTY -> push() -> NOTEMPTY -> pop() -> NOTEMPTY
[length = 7]
Merge TC1 / TC2 / TC3 \(\Rightarrow\) TC1*

NON_EXIST \(\rightarrow\) Stack() \(\rightarrow\) EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) push() \(\rightarrow\)
NOT_EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) push() \(\rightarrow\) NOT_EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) push() \(\rightarrow\)
NOT_EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) pop() \(\rightarrow\) NOT_EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) pop() \(\rightarrow\) NOT_EMPTY \(\rightarrow\)
pop() \(\rightarrow\) EMPTY \(\rightarrow\) pop() \(\rightarrow\) ERROR

[length = 21]

Stack stack0 = new Stack();
int int(0) = -55;
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
stack0.push(int0);
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try {
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} catch(EmptyStackException e) {}

Structure of Lecture 6

• Lab 7
• State-Transition Testing
• Exploratory Testing
Exploratory Testing

• = Error guessing (?), happy testing, ...
• Not the same as ‘random testing’
• Always worth doing (on top of “regular” testing)
• Can trigger failures that systematic techniques miss
• Consider
  • ”What is the craziest thing we can do?”
  • Intuition / Experience / Brainstorming
  • Past failures / Lists in literature
• Tools
  • http://www.softwaretestinghelp.com/tools/top-17-exploratory-testing-tools/
Exploratory Testing

• Inventors:
  • Cem Kaner, James Bach (1990s)
• Definition:
  • “Exploratory testing is simultaneous learning, test design, and test execution.”
• Elements / Variants
  • Charter: defines mission (and sometimes tactics to use)
    • Example: “Check UI against Windows interface standards”
  • Session-based test management:
    • Defects + Notes + Interviews of the testers
Exploratory Testing - 5 Steps

One type of exploratory testing -- also called session based test management (SBTM Cycle) – has the following 5 stages:

**STEP 1: Create a Bug Taxonomy (classification)**
- Categorize common types of faults found in the past projects
- Analyze the root causes of the problems or faults
- Find the risks and develop ideas to test the application
Exploratory Testing - 5 Steps

**STEP 2: Develop Test Charter**

- Test Charter should suggest
  - what to test
  - how it can be tested
  - what needs to be looked at
- Test ideas are the starting point of exploration testing
- Test charter helps determine how the end user could use the system
Exploratory Testing - 5 Steps

STEP 3: Set a Time Box

• A single tester or a pair of testers is working not less than 90 minutes

• There should not be any interruption in those 90 minutes sessions

• Time box can be extended or reduced by 45 minutes

• This session encourages testers to react on the response from the system and prepare for the correct outcome
Exploratory Testing - 5 Steps

STEP 4: Review Results
• Evaluation of the defects
• Learning from the testing
• Analysis of coverage areas

STEP 5: Have a Debriefing
• Compilation of the output results
• Compare the results with the charter
• Check whether any additional testing is needed
Exploratory Testing

During exploratory execution, following needs to be done:

• Mission of testing should be very clear
• Keep notes on what needs to be tested, why it needs to be tested and the assessment of the product quality
• Tracking of questions and issues raised during exploratory testing
• Better to pair up the testers for effective testing
• The more we test, more likely to execute right test cases for the required scenarios
Exploratory Testing

It is very important to document and monitor the following:

• **Test Coverage** - Whether we have taken notes on the coverage of test cases and improve the quality of the software

• **Risks** - Which risks needs to be covered and which are all important ones?

• **Test Execution Log** - Recordings on the test execution

• **Issues / Queries** - Take notes on the question and issues on the system
Exploratory Testing

PRO

• Useful when requirement documents are not available or only partially available
• Involves Investigation process which helps find more bugs than normal testing
• Helps to expand the imagination of testers by executing more and more test cases which finally improves productivity as well
• This testing drill down to smallest part of application and covers all the requirements
• This testing covers all the types of testing and it covers various scenarios and cases
• Encourages creativity and intuition
• Generation of new ideas during test execution

CON

• Purely depends on the tester skills
• Limited by domain knowledge of the tester
• Not suitable for Long execution time (e.g., scientific programs)
Next Week

• Quiz 7 → Moodle

• Lab 7:
  – Web-Application Testing in the CI/CD Pipeline

• Lecture 8: