CSC 309 Lecture Notes Week 5

Testing Implementation

I. Highlights of Milestone 4

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- F. See what coverage looks like

II. Different Styles of Functional Testing

A. Pure end user.

B. Log-based testing.

C. X-Unit testing.

III. Pure End User Testing Pros and Cons

A. Pros:

- Ensures HCI evaluated by humans.
- Makes programmer involvement indirect.

End-User Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

B. Cons:

- Difficult to verify coverage.
- Difficult to do stress testing.

End-User Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

C. Other considerations:

- Works well with suitable work force.
- Should always be done in some form.

IV. Log-Based Testing Pros and Cons

A. Pros:

- Expected test results defined concretely.
- Reports only differences.
- External oracle implementation.

Log-Based Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

B. Cons:

- Generating expected results may be tedious
- External oracle implementation.

Log-Based Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

C. Other considerations:

- Useful when spec is data-oriented, e.g., a compiler.
- Can be used in combo with X-Unit.

V. X-Unit Pros and Cons

A. Pros:

- Formal spec oracle directly implemented.
- No need to generate expected output data.

X-Unit Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

B. Cons:

- Oracle imple'n may itself be buggy.
- Oracle execution may take longer than diff.

X-Unit Testing Pros and Cons, cont'd

C. Other considerations:

- Becoming an industry standard.
- Can support log-style if desired.

VI. What We'll Do in 309

A. Complete X-unit testing of model and process packages, with some use of logging.

- B. Pure end-user testing of model+view.
- C. Examination of automated view testing.

VII. Unit test development steps:

- A. Finish Spest specs.
- B. Use specs to generate/write tests.
- C. Refine specs to get better tests, based on coverage results.

VIII. Anatomy of a unit test plan.

A. Javadoc comment for a unit test method.

B. In the form of a table:

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Test Case	Inputs	Expected Outputs	Remarks
1 2	x=1 	this.x == 1	Set x

C. Examples coming up.

IX. Anatomy of a unit test method.

A. Class and method under test:

```
class X {
// Method under test (with Spest spec)
public Y m(A a, B b, C c) { ... }
// Data field inputs
I i;
J j;
// Data field output
Z z;
```

B. Testing class and method:

```
class XTest {
/** Test plan goes here */
public void testM() {
  // Set up
  X \times = \text{new } X(...);
  // Invoke
  Y y = m(aValue, bValue, cValue);
  // Validate
  assertEqual(y, expectedY);
```

Anatomy of a unit test method, cont'd

- C. Common core of unit test method:
 - 1. Setup -- set up inputs necessary to run test
 - 2. *Invoke* -- invoke the method under test and acquire its actual output
 - 3. *Validate* -- validate that actual output equals expected output

During lecture we'll go through, in some detail, the Milestone 4 code examples for

Schedule.java

and

ScheduleTest.java.