

# Beyond table tests

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# Why do we need tests?

We change our  
code

# Reasons for change

- New features
- Bug fixes
- Refactoring / reducing technical debt
- Optimizations

# What do we test?

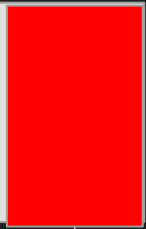
# What do we test?

Existing Behavior

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Existing Behavior

New Behavior —↑



*Changes in a system can be made in two primary ways. I like to call them Edit and Pray and Cover and Modify.*

*Unfortunately, Edit and Pray is pretty much the industry standard.*

*(Micheal Feathers - Working effectively with legacy code)*

The cost of fixing  
a bug

*The cost of detecting and fixing defects in software increases exponentially with time in the software development workflow. Fixing bugs in the field is incredibly costly, and risky — often by an order of magnitude or two. The cost is in not just in the form of time and resources wasted in the present, but also in form of lost opportunities of in the future.*

*from [deepsources.io/blog/exponential-cost-of-fixing-bugs/](https://deepsources.io/blog/exponential-cost-of-fixing-bugs/)*

*“In less than an hour, Knight Capital's computers executed a series of automatic orders that were supposed to be spread out over a period of days. Millions of shares changed hands. The resulting loss, which was nearly four times the company's 2011 profit, crippled the firm and brought it to the edge of bankruptcy.”*

from [money.cnn.com/2012/08/09/technology/knight-expensive-computer-bug](http://money.cnn.com/2012/08/09/technology/knight-expensive-computer-bug)

# Benefits of having tests

- Better quality
- No regressions
- Document well the instrumented units
- Better design
- Enable CI

Unit tests or  
integration tests?

# Unit tests

- Quick
- Deterministic
- Test a very specific part of our codebase

# Integration tests

- Test our system as a whole
- More adherent to reality
- Slow
- May not run on our laptop
- Really hard to master: many moving parts, risk of flakes

**What is a unit  
test?**

*“.. We asked him (Kent Beck) for his definition and he replied with something like "in the morning of my training course I cover 24 different definitions of unit test"*

(Martin Fowler)

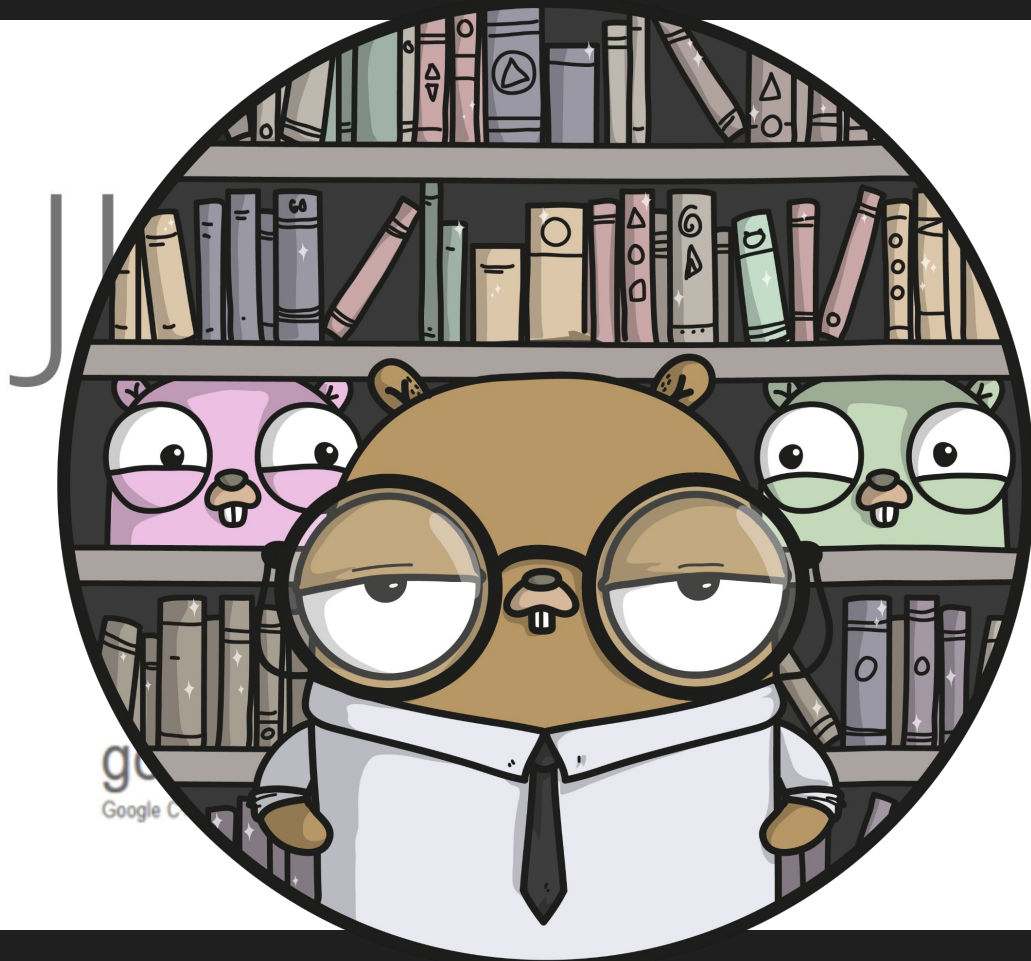
# Common traits of unit tests

- Low level, focus on a small part of the system
- Written by programmers
- Faster than normal tests
- Not depending on external systems

# Unit tests in Go

# JUnit 5





# The basics

```
func Add(x, y int) int {  
    return x + y  
}
```

from *pkg/math/add.go*

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from *pkg/math/add.go*

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    res := Add(3, 4)  
    if res != 7 {  
        t.Fatalf("Expecting 7, got %d", res)  
    }  
}
```

from *pkg/math/add\_test.go*

# The basics

```
$ go test
```

```
PASS
```

```
ok      github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math    0.002s
```

# The basics

```
$ go test
PASS
ok      github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math    0.002s
```

```
$ go test
--- FAIL: TestAdd (0.00s)
    add_test.go:8: Expecting 7, got 8
FAIL
exit status 1
FAIL    github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math    0.002s
```

# The basics: test only the public API

*package math*

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    res := Add(3, 4)  
    if res != 7 {  
        t.Fatalf("Expecting 7, got %d", res)  
    }  
}
```

# The basics: test only the public API

*package math\_test*

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    res := math.Add(3, 4)  
    if res != 7 {  
        t.Fatalf("Expecting 7, got %d", res)  
    }  
}
```

# Subtests

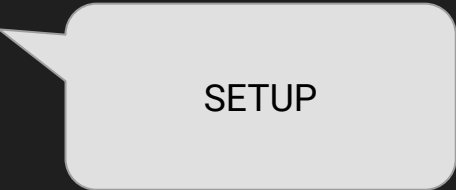
```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        c := NewCalculator()  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        c := NewCalculator()  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
}
```

# Subtests for

- Better control on what to run
- Share code
- Setup / Tear down pattern
- Enable parallel execution

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    c := NewCalculator()  
    t.Cleanup(func() {  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    c := NewCalculator()  
    t.Cleanup(func() {  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```



SETUP

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    c := NewCalculator()  
    t.Cleanup(func() {  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

Tear down

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    c := NewCalculator()  
    t.Cleanup(func() {  
        c.Unregister()  
    })  
  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

Tests!

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        t.Parallel()  
        if c.Sum(1, 2) != 3 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        t.Parallel()  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4 {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

```
func TestCalculator(t *testing.T) {  
    t.Run("sum 1+2", func(t *testing.T) {  
        t.Parallel()  
        if c.Sum(1, 2)  
            t.Fail()  
    })  
    t.Run("sum 1+3", func(t *testing.T) {  
        t.Parallel()  
        if c.Sum(1, 3) != 4  
            t.Fail()  
    })  
}
```

Runs in a separate goroutine

The parent test terminates when  
all the children are done

# Test Main

- One per package
- Lower level
- Useful if a global setup / teardown is needed

```
func TestMain(m *testing.M) {  
    db.Setup()  
    code := m.Run()  
    db.Close()  
    os.Exit(code)  
}
```

# Table Tests

```

func TestCalculatorTable(t *testing.T) {
    tests := []struct {
        name      string
        first      int
        second     int
        expected   int
    }{
        {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},
    }

    c := NewCalculator()
    t.Cleanup(func() {
        c.Unregister()
    })

    for _, tc := range tests {
        t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {
            if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {
                t.Fail()
            }
        })
    }
}

```

```
tests := []struct {  
    name      string  
    first     int  
    second    int  
    expected  int  
}{  
    {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},  
}
```

```
for _, tc := range tests {  
    t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

```

func TestCalculatorTable(t *testing.T) {
    tests := []struct {
        name      string
        first      int
        second     int
        expected   int
    }{
        {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},

        c := NewCalculator()
        t.Cleanup(func() {
            c.Unregister()
        })

        for _, tc := range tests {
            t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {
                if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {
                    t.Fail()
                }
            })
        }
    }
}

```

```
func TestCalculatorTable(t *testing.T) {  
    tests := []struct {  
        name      string  
        first      int  
        second     int  
        expected   int  
    }{  
        {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},  
    }  
  
    c := NewCalculator()
```

```
    for _, tc := range tests {  
        t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {  
            if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {  
                t.Fail()  
            }  
        })  
    }  
}
```

```
tests := []struct {  
    name      string  
    first     int  
    second    int  
    expected  int  
}{  
    {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},  
}
```

```
for _, tc := range tests {  
    t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

```
tests := []struct {  
    name      string  
    first     int  
    second    int  
    expected  int  
}{  
    {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},  
    {"1+7", 1, 7, 8},  
}
```

```
func TestSum(t *testing.T) {  
    t.Run(tc.name, func(t *testing.T) {  
        if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {  
            t.Fail()  
        }  
    })  
}
```

```

tests := []struct {
    name      string
    first     int
    second    int
    expected  int
}{
    {"1+2", 1, 2, 3},
    {"1+7", 1, 7, 8},
    {"2+7", 2, 7, 9},
}

```

```

if c.Sum(tc.first, tc.second) != tc.expected {
    t.Fail()
}
})
}
}
}

```

# How to control test execution

# Filter by name

```
go test -v -run TestSum/with_0
=== RUN    TestSum
=== RUN    TestSum/with_0
--- PASS: TestSum (0.50s)
    --- PASS: TestSum/with_0 (0.50s)
PASS
ok          github.com/fedepaol/section2    0.504s
```

# Slow tests

```
func TestTimeConsuming(t *testing.T) {  
    if testing.Short() {  
        t.Skip("skipping test in short mode.")  
    }  
    ...  
}
```

```
go test -short ./...
```

# Build tags

```
// +build integration
```

```
func TestIntegration(t *testing.T) {  
    res, err := Add(2,3)  
    ...  
}
```

```
go test --tags=integration
```

# TEST FIXTURES

*A test fixture is an environment used to consistently test some item, device, or piece of software.*

[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test\\_fixture](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Test_fixture)

# Test Fixtures

- Sometimes we need some artifact to run our tests against:
  - files to parse
  - images
  - db content
- The content of testdata is ignored at compile time
- when running go test, the current folder matches the test file

# Test Fixtures

```
$ tree
```

```
.  
├── add.go  
├── add_test.go  
└── testdata  
    └── sample_config.json
```

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```
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```

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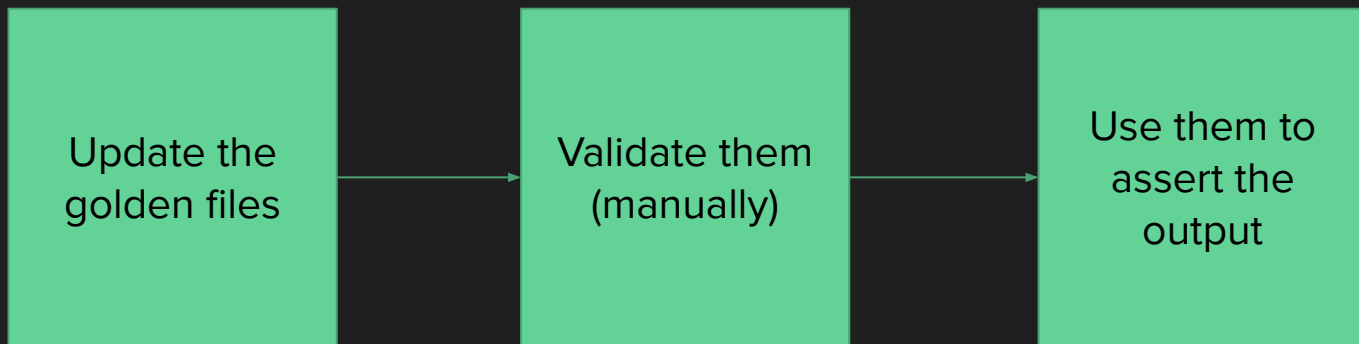
```
func TestParse(t *testing.T) {  
    res, err := parseConfig("testdata/sample_config.json")  
    if err != nil {  
        t.Fatalf("got error %v but wasn't expecting", err)  
    }  
    if res != 23 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 23", res)  
    }  
}
```

**GOLDEN FILES**

# Golden Files

- Asserting a generated output is tedious
- Especially in case of generated files / rendered items
  - Template -> configuration file
  - Template -> html page
  - Json output
- A golden file becomes the source of truth for your test result

# Golden Files



```
t.Run(tc.fileName, func(t *testing.T) {
    res, _ := ParseAndIncrementAge(tc.fileName)
    jsonRes, _ := json.Marshal(res)

    goldenFile := tc.fileName + ".golden"
    if *update {
        os.WriteFile(goldenFile, jsonRes, os.ModePerm)
    }
    expected, err := os.ReadFile(goldenFile)
    if err != nil {
        t.Errorf("failed to open golden file %s: %v", goldenFile, err)
    }
    if !bytes.Equal(expected, jsonRes) {
        t.Fail()
    }
})
}
```

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t.Run(tc.fileName, func(t *testing.T) {
    res, _ := ParseAndIncrementAge(tc.fileName)
    jsonRes, _ := json.Marshal(res)

    goldenFile := tc.fileName + ".golden"
    if *update {
        os.WriteFile(goldenFile, jsonRes, os.ModePerm)
    }

    if err != nil {
        t.Errorf("failed to open golden file %s: %v", goldenFile, err)
    }
    if !bytes.Equal(expected, jsonRes) {
        t.Fail()
    }
})
}
```

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t.Run(tc.fileName, func(t *testing.T) {
    res, _ := ParseAndIncrementAge(tc.fileName)
    jsonRes, _ := json.Marshal(res)

    goldenFile := tc.fileName + ".golden"
    if *update {
        // Write File (Test File) to Disk (Golden File)
        expected, err := os.ReadFile(goldenFile)
        if err != nil {
            t.Errorf("failed to open golden file %s: %v",
goldenFile, err)
        }
        // ...
    }
})
}

```

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    jsonRes, _ := json.Marshal(res)

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    if *update {
        os.WriteFile(goldenFile, jsonRes, os.ModePerm)
    }
    expected, err := os.ReadFile(goldenFile)
    if err != nil {
        t.Errorf("failed to open golden file %s: %v", goldenFile, err)
        if !bytes.Equal(expected, jsonRes) {
            t.Fail()
        }
    }
},
}
```

# Golden Files

```
go test
--- FAIL: TestParseAndIncrement (0.00s)
    --- FAIL: TestParseAndIncrement/testdata/basic.json (0.00s)
        parse_test.go:67: failed to open golden file testdata/basic.json.golden: open
testdata/basic.json.golden: no such file or directory
FAIL
```

```
go test -update
PASS
ok      github.com/fedepaol/fixturegolden    0.007s
```

```
go test
PASS
ok      github.com/fedepaol/fixturegolden    0.007s
```

# Golden Files

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go test
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        parse_test.go:67: failed to open golden file
testdata/basic.json.golden: open testdata/basic.json.golden: no
such file or directory
FAIL
```

```
go test
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```

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testdata/basic.json.golden: no such file or directory
FAIL
```

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go test -update
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# Golden Files

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go test
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        parse_test.go:67: failed to open golden file testdata/basic.json.golden: open
testdata/basic.json.golden: no such file or directory
FAIL
```

```
go test -update
PASS
ok      github.com/fedepaol/fixturegolden    0.007s
```

```
go test
PASS
ok      github.com/fedepaol/fixturegolden
0.007s
```

**EXTRA FEATURES**

# Coverage

```
go test -cover
```

```
PASS
```

```
coverage: 50.0% of statements
```

```
ok      github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math    0.002s
```

# Benchmarking

```
func BenchmarkAdd(b *testing.B) {  
    for i := 0; i < b.N; i++ {  
        Add(1, 2)  
    }  
}
```

# Benchmarking

```
f $ go test -bench=.  
goos: linux  
goarch: amd64  
} pkg: github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math  
cpu: Intel(R) Core(TM) i7-7600U CPU @ 2.80GHz  
BenchmarkAdd-4          1000000000          0.2604 ns/op  
PASS  
ok      github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/math    0.293s
```

# Race detector

```
go test -race .
```

# Race detector

```
go test -race .
```

# Test shuffler

```
go test -shuffle=on .
```

# TEST HELPERS

# Test Helpers

```
func callAdd(x, y, expected int) error {  
    res, err := Add(x, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return err  
    }  
  
    if res != expected+1 {  
        return fmt.Errorf("got %d but was expecting %d", res, expected)  
    }  
}
```

# Test Helpers

```
func callAdd(t *testing.T, x, y, expected int) {
    t.Helper()
    res, err := Add(x, y)
    if err != nil {
        t.Fail()
    }

    if res != expected+1 {
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting %d", res, expected)
    }
}
```

# Test Helpers

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T, x, y, expected int) error {  
    err := callAdd(x, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return err  
    }  
}
```

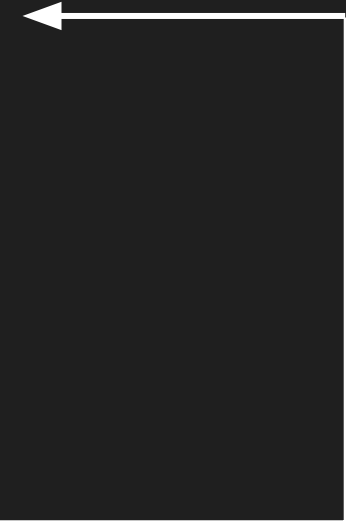
# Test Helpers

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T, x, y, expected int) error {  
    callAdd(t, x, y)  
}
```

# Test Helpers

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T, x, y, expected int) error {  
    res := callAdd(t, x, y)  
}
```

FAIL: TestAddWithHelper (0.10s)  
 add\_test.go:189: got 5 but was expecting 5



# THE JOURNEY TO (UNIT) TESTABLE CODE

# We want our tests

- Not depending from external systems
- Independent of the execution order
- Fast
- Repeatable

## Reality check: an instrumented unit can be

- stateful
- interacting with external systems:
  - API
  - OS
  - filesystem
  - network

**OPTION 1: test pure  
functions**

*In computer programming, a pure function is a function that has the following properties: the function return values are identical for identical arguments (no variation with local static variables, non-local variables, mutable reference arguments or input streams), and the function application has no side effects (no mutation of local static variables, non-local variables, mutable reference arguments or input/output streams).*

```
func Parse(fileName string) (User, error) {  
    res := User{}  
  
    f, err := os.Open(fileName)  
    if err != nil {  
        return User{}, err  
    }  
    defer f.Close()  
  
    err = json.NewDecoder(f).Decode(&res)  
    if err != nil {  
        return res, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

```
func Parse(fileName string, error) {  
    res := User{  
        f, err := os.Open(fileName)  
        if err != nil {  
            return User{}, err  
        }  
        defer f.Close()  
  
        err = json.NewDecoder(f).Decode(&res)  
        if err != nil {  
            return res, err  
        }  
        return res, nil  
    }  
}
```

Our  
Dependency

```
func Parse(fileName string) (User, error) {  
    res := User{}  
  
    f, err := os.Open(fileName)  
    if err != nil {  
        return User{}, err  
    }  
    defer f.Close()  
  
    err = json.NewDecoder(f).Decode(&res)  
    if err != nil {  
        return res, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

Our  
business logic

```
func Parse(fileName string) (User, error) {  
    f, err := os.Open(fileName)  
    if err != nil {  
        return User{}, err  
    }  
    defer f.Close()  
    return parseReader(f)  
}
```

```
func parseReader(r io.Reader) (User, error) {  
    res := User{}  
    err := json.NewDecoder(r).Decode(&res)  
    if err != nil {  
        return res, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

```
func Parse(fileName string) (User, error) {  
    f, err := os.Open(fileName)  
    if err != nil {  
        return User{}, err  
    }  
    defer f.Close()  
    return parseReader(f)  
}
```

Our  
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```
func parseReader(r io.Reader) (User, error) {  
    res := User{}  
    err := json.NewDecoder(r).Decode(&res)  
    if err != nil {  
        return res, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

**OPTION 2: override  
the status**

```
const configPath = "/etc/constant.json"

func AddConstant(x int) (int, error) {
    value, err := parseConfig(configPath)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, err
    }
    return x + value, nil
}
```

```
var configPath = "/etc/constant.json"

func AddConstant(x int) (int, error) {
    value, err := parseConfig(configPath)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, err
    }
    return x + value, nil
}
```

```
func TestAddConstant(t *testing.T) {  
    oldPath := configPath  
    defer func() { configPath = oldPath }()  
    configPath = "testdata/sample_config.json"  
    res, _ := AddConstant(28)  
    if res != 51 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 51", res)  
    }  
}
```

```
func TestAddConstant(t *testing.T) {  
    oldPath := configPath  
    defer func() { configPath = oldPath }()  
    configPath = "testdata/sample_config.json"  
    res, _ := AddConstant(28)  
    if res != 51 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 51", res)  
    }  
}
```

**Sometimes we can't  
avoid the interaction**

# TEST DOUBLES

*The generic term he (Gerard Meszaros) uses is a Test Double (think stunt double). Test Double is a generic term for any case where you replace a production object for testing purposes.*

Martin Fowler - [martinfowler.com/bliki/TestDouble.html](http://martinfowler.com/bliki/TestDouble.html)

Let's introduce our  
dependency

```
func Add(x, y int) (int, error) {  
    res, err := cloudmath.add(x, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

Our  
Dependency

```
func Add(x, y int) (int, error) {  
    res, err := cloudmath.add(x, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

```
var cloudAdd = cloudmath.Add
```

```
func Add(x, y int) (int, error) {  
    res, err := cloudAdd(x, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return res, nil  
    }  
    return 0, fmt.Errorf("cloudmath error %w", err)  
}
```

```
func TestCloudAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    toRestore := cloudAdd  
    defer func() { cloudAdd = toRestore }()  
  
    cloudAdd = func(x,y int) (int, error) {  
        return 11, nil  
    }  
  
    res, err := Add(5, 6)  
    if res != 11 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting 11 but got %d", res)  
    }  
}
```

To avoid leaking  
to other tests

```
func TestCloudAdd(t *testing.T) {
    toRestore := cloudAdd
    defer func() { cloudAdd = toRestore }()

    cloudAdd = func(x, y int) (int, error) {
        return 11, nil
    }

    res, err := Add(5, 6)
    if res != 11 {
        t.Fatalf("expecting 11 but got %d", res)
    }
}
```

```
func TestCloudAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    toRestore := cloudAdd  
    defer func() { cloudAdd = toRestore }()  
  
    cloudAdd = func(x,y int) (int, error) {  
        return 11, nil  
    }  
  
    res, err := Add(5, 6)  
    if res != 11 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting 11 but got %d", res)  
    }  
}
```

We control the  
behavior

```
func TestCloudAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    toRestore := cloudAdd  
    defer func() { cloudAdd = toRestore }()  
  
    called := 0  
    cloudAdd = func(x,y int) (int, error) {  
        called++  
        return 11, nil  
    }  
  
    res, err := Add(5, 6)  
    if res != 11 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting 11 but got %d", res)  
    }  
    if called != 1 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting cloudAdd to be called 1 time, got %d",  
called)  
    }  
}
```

```
func TestCloudAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    toRestore := cloudAdd  
    defer func() { cloudAdd = toRestore }()  
  
    called := 0  
    cloudAdd = func(x, y int) (int, error) {  
        called++  
        return 11, nil  
    }  
  
    res, err := Add(5, 6)  
    if res != 11 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting 11 but got %d", res)  
    }  
    if called != 1 {  
        t.Fatalf("expecting cloudAdd to be called 1 time, got %d",  
called)  
    }  
}
```

We can add  
probes

# Dependency injection to the rescue

*In software engineering, dependency injection is a design pattern in which an object or function receives other objects or functions that it depends on. A form of inversion of control, dependency injection aims to separate the concerns of constructing objects and using them, leading to loosely coupled programs..*

```
type AddFunc func(x, y int) (int, error)

func Add(x, y int, add AddFunc) (int, error) {
    res, err := add(x, y)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, err
    }
    return res, nil
}

Add(3, 4, cloudmath.Add)
```

```
type AddFunc func(x, y int) (int, error)

func Add(x, y int, add AddFunc) (int, error) {
    res, err := add(x, y)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, err
    }
    return res, nil
}
```

Our dependency  
comes from outside

```
Add(3, 4, cloudmath.Add)
```

```
type AddFunc func(x, y int) (int, error)

func Add(x, y int, add AddFunc) (int, error) {
    res, err := add(x, y)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, err
    }
    return res, nil
}
```

```
Add(3, 4, cloudmath.Add)
```

we need to change the  
calling site

Testing it

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    _, err := Add(2, 3, func(x, y int) (int, error) {  
        return 0, fmt.Errorf("boo")  
    })  
  
    if err == nil {  
        t.Fatal("got no error")  
    }  
}
```

we pass the double  
of our dependency

```
func TestAdd(t *testing.T) {  
    _, err := Add(2, 3, func(x, y int) (int, error) {  
        return 0, fmt.Errorf("boo")  
    })  
  
    if err == nil {  
        t.Fatal("got no error")  
    }  
}
```

# Injecting objects

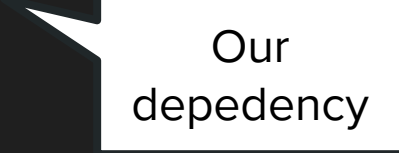
```
func AddRemove(x, y int) (int, error) {  
    client := cloudmath.NewClient()  
    val, err := client.ToAdd()  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    val, err = client.Subtract(val, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return x + val + 5, nil  
}
```

```
func AddRemove(x, y int) (int, error) {  
    client := cloudmath.NewClient()  
    val, err := client.ToAdd()  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    val, err = client.Subtract(val, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return x + val + 5, nil  
}
```



Our  
dependency

```
func AddRemove(client *cloudmath.Client, x, y int) (int, error) {  
    val, err := client.ToAdd()  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    val, err = client.Subtract(val, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return x + val + 5, nil  
}
```



Our  
depedency

```
type AddRemover interface {  
    ToAdd() (int, error)  
    Subtract(x, y int) (int, error)  
}
```

```
func AddRemove(client AddRemover, x, y int) (int, error) {  
    val, err := client.ToAdd()  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    val, err = client.Subtract(val, y)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, err  
    }  
    return x + val + 5, nil  
}
```

Now an  
interface

```
type AddRemover interface {  
    ToAdd() (int, error)  
    Subtract(x, y int) (int, error)  
}
```

```
func (v *Value) Add(x int) (int, error) {  
    i  
    client := cloudmath.NewClient()  
    res, err := AddRemove(client, x, y)  
    v  
    i  
    return 0, err  
}  
return x + val + 5, nil  
}
```

Testing it

```
type mockClient struct {  
    toAddRes    int  
    toAddError  error  
    toAddCalled bool  
}
```

```
func (m *mockClient) ToAdd() (int, error) {  
    m.toAddCalled = true  
    return m.toAddRes, m.toAddError  
}
```

```
func (m *mockClient) Subtract(x, y int) (int,  
error) {  
    return y-x, nil  
}
```

```
type mockClient struct {  
    toAddRes      int  
    toAddError    error  
    toAddCalled   bool  
}
```



Our test double. It  
implements  
addRemover

```
func (m *mockClient) ToAdd() (int, error) {  
    m.toAddCalled = true  
    return m.toAddRes, m.toAddError  
}
```

```
func (m *mockClient) Subtract(x, y int) (int,  
error) {  
    return y-x, nil  
}
```

```
type mockClient struct {  
    toAddRes    int  
    toAddError  error  
    toAddCalled bool  
}
```

```
func (m *mockClient) ToAdd() (int, error) {  
    m.toAddCalled = true  
    return m.toAddRes, m.toAddError  
}
```

```
func (m *mockClient) Subtract(x, y  
error) {  
    return y-x, nil  
}
```

We control the  
behavior

```
type mockClient struct {  
    toAddRes    int  
    toAddError  error  
    toAddCalled bool  
}
```

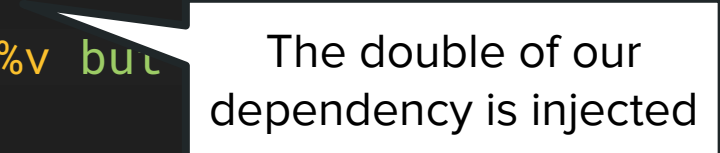
```
func (m *mockClient) ToAdd() (int, error) {  
    m.toAddCalled = true  
    return m.toAddRes, m.toAddError  
}
```

Probes

```
func (m *mockClient) Subtract(x, y int) (int,  
error) {  
    return y-x, nil  
}
```

```
func TestAddConst(t *testing.T) {  
    client := mockClient{toAddRes: 25, toAddError: nil}  
    res, err := AddRemove(&client, 5, 4)  
    if err != nil {  
        t.Fatalf("got error %v but wasn't expecting", err)  
    }  
    if res != 30 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 30", res)  
    }  
    if !client.toAddCalled {  
        t.Fatalf("client.ToAdd() was not called")  
    }  
}
```

```
func TestAddConst(t *testing.T) {  
    client := mockClient{toAddRes: 25, toAddError: nil}  
    res, err := AddRemove(&client, 5, 4)  
    if err != nil {  
        t.Fatalf("got error %v but expected %v", err, err)  
    }  
    if res != 30 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 30", res)  
    }  
    if !client.toAddCalled {  
        t.Fatalf("client.ToAdd() was not called")  
    }  
}
```



The double of our dependency is injected

```
func TestAddConst(t *testing.T) {  
    client := mockClient{toAddRes: 25, toAddError: nil}  
    res, err := AddRemove(&client, 5, 4)  
    if err != nil {  
        t.Fatalf("got error %v but wasn't expecting", err)  
    }  
    if res != 30 {  
        t.Fatalf("got %d but was expecting 30", res)  
    }  
    if !client.toAddCalled {  
        t.Fatalf("client.ToAdd() was not called")  
    }  
}
```

We can assert the probes

**Dependency injection**  
is about injecting dependencies

## With dependency injection

- the injected object can be an object or a function
- the dependency can be injected to an object or a function
- the dependency can be hierarchical

```
package localmath
```

```
type Math struct {  
    client cloudmath.Client  
}
```

```
func New() *Math {  
    return &Math{client: cloudmath.NewClient()}  
}
```

```
package localmath
```

```
type Math struct {  
    client cloudmath.Client  
}
```

```
func New() *Math {  
    return &Math{client: cloudmath.NewClient()}  
}
```

We need to inject it

```
package localmath
```

```
type Math struct {  
    client AddRemover  
}
```

```
func New(c AddRemover) *Math {  
    return &Math{client: c}  
}
```

# TOO MUCH WORK?

[github.com/stretchr/testify](https://github.com/stretchr/testify)  
[github.com/vektra/mockery](https://github.com/vektra/mockery)

**DO WE ALWAYS NEED  
MOCKS?**

**MOCKS BUT  
NOT REALLY**

# Working with the filesystem

- use real files under testdata
- use afero

*Afero is a filesystem framework providing a simple, uniform and universal API interacting with any filesystem, as an abstraction layer providing interfaces, types and methods.*

# Working with the filesystem

- use real files under testdata
- use afero

```
var AppFs = afero.NewMemMapFs()  
var AppFs = afero.NewOsFs()
```

Afero

and AppFs.Open( "/tmp/foo" )

form

*abstraction layer providing interfaces, types and methods.*

# Networking

- Consider spinning up the server as part of the test
  - Custom protocol
  - Http test
  - Grpc
  - K8s tests

```
func TestFetchUsers(t *testing.T) {  
  
    svr := httptest.NewServer(http.HandlerFunc(func(w http.ResponseWriter,  
                                                    r *http.Request) {  
        uu := []users.User{{"foo", 12}, {"bar", 13}}  
        json.NewEncoder(w).Encode(uu)  
    }))  
  
    t.Cleanup(svr.Close)  
  
    toCheck, err := FetchUsers(svr.URL)  
    if err != nil {  
        t.Error("received error", err)  
    }  
    if len(toCheck) != 2 {  
        t.Fail()  
    }  
}
```

```
func TestFetchUsers(t *testing.T) {  
    svr := httptest.NewServer(http.HandlerFunc(func(w http.ResponseWriter,  
                                                    r *http.Request) {  
        uu := []users.User{{"foo", 12}, {"bar", 13}}
```

Runs a real  
server!

```
        svr := httptest.NewServer(http.HandlerFunc(func(w http.ResponseWriter, r *http.Request) {  
            uu := []users.User{{"foo", 12}, {"bar", 13}}  
            json.NewEncoder(w).Encode(uu)  
        })))  
    }
```

```
}
```

# ALMOST-INTEGRATION TESTS

# Makes sense when

- We interact with a single external component
- It's relatively easy to start it up
- When the interaction is low level enough that writing a mock is risky

```
type Database interface {
    Query(query string, args ...interface{}) (int, error)
}

func getQuantity(db Database, id int) (int, error) {
    // Query for a value based on a single row.
    res, err := db.Query("SELECT quantity from
                          bucket where id = ?", id)
    if err != nil {
        return 0, fmt.Errorf("getQuantity %d: %v", id,
err)
    }
    return res, nil
}
```

**LET'S WRITE A  
MOCK!**

```
type MockDB struct {  
    result int  
    err    error  
}
```

```
func (m *MockDB) Query(query string,  
                        args ...interface{}) (int, error) {  
    return m.result, m.err  
}
```

```
func TestGetQuantity(t *testing.T) {  
    m := &MockDB{result: 10, err: nil}  
    q, _ := GetQuantity(m, 47)  
    if q != 10 {  
        t.Errorf("Expected 10, got %d", q)  
    }  
}
```

```
func TestGetQuantity(t *testing.T) {  
    m := &MockDB{result: 10, err: nil}  
    q, _ := GetQuantity(m, 47)  
    if q != 10 {  
        t.Errorf("Expected 10, got %d", q)  
    }  
}
```

```
$ go test
```

```
PASS
```

```
ok
```

```
github.com/fedepaol/gotests/pkg/db
```

```
0.002s
```

```
type Database interface {  
    Query(query string, args ...interface{})  
}
```

There was a syntax  
error!

```
func getQuantity(db Database, id int) (int, error) {  
    // Query for a value based on a single row.  
    res, err := db.Query("SELECT quantity from  
        bucket where id = ?", id)  
    if err != nil {  
        return 0, fmt.Errorf("getQuantity %d: %v", id,  
err)  
    }  
    return res, nil  
}
```

# Use testcontainers or dockertest

- Run the dependency (redis, mysql) in a container
- Hooks to wait for the process to be ready
- Validate the syntax against the real thing

[github.com/ory/dockertest](https://github.com/ory/dockertest)

[github.com/testcontainers/testcontainers-go](https://github.com/testcontainers/testcontainers-go)

```
func TestMain(m *testing.M) {
    pool, err := dockertest.NewPool("")
    err = pool.Client.Ping()

    resource, err := pool.Run("mysql", "5.7",
        []string{"MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=secret"})

    if err := pool.Retry(func() error {
        var err error
        db, err = sql.Open("mysql", ...)
        if err != nil {
            return err
        }
        return db.Ping()
    }); err != nil {
        log.Fatalf("Could not connect to database: %s", err)
    }
    m.Run()
    //
}
```

```
func TestMain(m *testing.M) {  
    pool, err := dockertest.NewPool("")  
    err = pool.Client.Ping()  
  
    pool, err := dockertest.NewPool("")  
    err = pool.Client.Ping()  
  
    resource, err := pool.Run("mysql", "5.7",  
        []string{"MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=secret"})  
  
    return err  
}  
return db.Ping()  
}); err != nil {  
    log.Fatalf("Could not connect to database: %s", err)  
}  
m.Run()  
//  
}
```

```
func TestMain(m *testing.M) {  
    pool, err := dockertest.NewPool("")  
  
    if err := pool.Retry(func() error {  
        var err error  
        db, err = sql.Open("mysql", ...)   
        if err != nil {  
            return err  
        }  
        return db.Ping()  
    }); err != nil {  
        log.Fatalf("Could not connect to database: %s", err)  
    }  
}
```

//

}

# Using docker tests / container tests

- Quicker than waiting for integration to happen
- Depends on external state - risk of flakes / test status contamination
- Useful in very specific use cases

**WRAPPING UP**

# Wrapping up

- Go has testing superpowers
- We learned a few go tests tricks
- We learned how to isolate our dependency to make our tests unit tests
- We learned how to cross the “unit” boundaries in some cases

*Unfortunately, Edit and Pray is pretty  
much the industry standard.*

Thanks!

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