

Software Testing with NA-MIC Kit

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- Large code base too large for any single developer to understand
- Developers distributed around the world
- Identify problems as they occur
- Insure that object API remains unchanged
- Provide feedback to developers as they experiment with new implementations



Regression Testing

- Compare generated image against
 image from baseline implementation
 - pixel-by-pixel comparison
 - can use a threshold metric
 - adjusted for effects like dithering



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Software Development Cycle



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Testing Terminology





Tools in NA-MIC Kit CMake, CTest, and CDash

- Testing client
- Distributed with CMake
- Submit test results to the dashboard
- XML submission
- Independent of CMake

- New generation of Dart
- Written in Php/ Javascript
- MySQL
- Open Source
- Run on top of a web server
- XSL implementation
- Web 2.0







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- Use empirical values (5/2=2.5)
- Test all of the use cases you can think of (even the boring/most difficult ones)
- Make your tests as efficient as possible
- Have someone else write the test for your algorithm



Contributing Code to Slicer3

Slicer Libs	 ModuleDescriptionParser GenerateCLP vtkITK MRML 	Non-slicer specific support libraries
Slicer Base	 Application logic Widgets	Common infrastructure for Slicer applications
Built in modules	 Slice viewers Models Fiducials Transforms 	Full access to Slicer internals
Loadable modules	 Query Atlas QDEC Volume rendering ChangeTracker EMSegment 	Full access to Slicer internals
Scripted modules	 Editor Teem Two Tensor Tractography VMTK 	Limited access to Slicer internals
Command line modules	Registration	Restricted access to Slicer internals
Daemon	 OpenIGTLink Stochastic Tractography	Access to MRML

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- Creating a Test Driver
- Designing a Test
- Configuring Build and Add the Test
- Configuring the Test
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Creating a Test Driver

C++ Code

```
#include <iostream>
#include "itkTestMain.h"
void RegisterTests()
{
    REGISTER_TEST
    (CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusionTest);
}
#undef main
#define main CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusionTest
#include "CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusion.cxx"
```



- Determining what functions to be tested
- Identifying test datasets
- Determining expected or baseline output for functions to be tested
- Covering as many functions as possible
- Covering as many use cases as possible



CMake Code

CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusion tests
set (CLP CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusion)
add_executable(\${CLP}Test \${CLP}Test.cxx)
add_dependencies(\${CLP}Test \${CLP})
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Add the Test

CMake Code



- To configure the Test
 - Using CMake and your favorite compiler
- To run the Test ctest -V -R CurvatureAnisotropicDiffusionTest
- Start a new cycle



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