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Mining process models and architectural components from test cases

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System Testing in the Industry

 Functional Testing of business applications carried out by independent teams

Test Design

- Usage Scenarios identified from Requirements
- Test cases identified for each scenario
- Test data identified using equivalence class partitioning (ad-hoc)
- Test scripts generated manually

Test Execution

- Test scripts executed manually by system testers
- Automation in single digits to low double digits
- Usage of test management tools much higher

Manual Test Script

-	Fest		Test Sto	ep
Case ID	Test Pre-Condition	Step Name	Description	Expected Result
Case_65937	5937 1.The User should have access to the		Enter the URL "www.flipkart .com" in the browser.	The system should display the Homepage of Fipkart
	Flipkart site	2	click the Register link present in the header section of the Home page.	The system should navigate the user to the Registration page
		3	Enter all the details in the mandatory fields.	The system should accept the details
		4	click "Sign Up" button.	The system should register the user with Fipkart after validating all the entered details
Case_65938	1.The User should	1	Enter the URL "www.Fipkart .com" in the browser.	The system should display the Home page of Fipkart
	the Fipkart site.	2	click on the Login button.	The system should navigate the user to the Login page
	2.The user should have valid username and password.	3	Login to the system with valid login credentials.	The system should allow user to login
		4	Search and select product	The system should allow user to view and select search product
		5	Add product to the cart by the help of add To My cart button	The system should add the selected products to the cart
	6	6	click on "Buy Now" button	The system should navigate user to shipment page
		7	Click the Credit card link in the payment information section.	System should navigate user to the navigate page.
		8	Enter all the details in all the mandatory field and press pay button	System should process the payment after validating all the entered details
Case_65939	1.The User should	1	Enter the URL "www.Fipkart .com" in the browser.	The system should display the Home page of Fipkart
	have to access to the Fipkart site. 2.The user should have valid username and password.	2	Search and select product	The system should allow user to view and select search product
		3	Add product to the cart by the help of add To My cart button	The system should add the selected products to the cart
		4	click on "Buy Now" button	The system should navigate user to the Guest sign up page
		5	Click the "SIGN UP" button in the guest sign up section.	The system should navigate user to shipment page
		6	Enter the shipment details.	The system should accept the details
		7	Click the Credit card link in the payment information section.	System should navigate user to the navigate page.
		8	Enter all the details in all the mandatory field and press pay button	System should process the payment after validating all the entered details

Business Motivation

- Acquisition & Maintenance
 - Test Scripts manually generated: Over 80% scripts are inherited
 - Test architecture, documents: Not available or currency an issue
 - Test Scripts difficult to comprehend:
 - Change hands multiple times during lifetime
 - $\circ\,$ consistency an issue
 - $\,\circ\,$ local view v/s global view
 - Changes are difficult, no universal template
 - Precise understanding essential: Gap Analysis
 - Few tools
- Manpower turnover
 - 20% 25% for IT services (Attrition & People Movement)



System Testing – Sample Scenario

Motivating Example: An online retailer



System Testing: Sample scenario

Normal Flow	Enter URL	Alternate Flow	Enter URL	
	Login with valid credentials		Browse products	
	Browse products		Add item/ items to the cart	
	Add item/ items to the cart		checkout	
	checkout		Sign up to the system	
	Enter shipment details		Enter shipment details	
	Confirm order		Confirm order	
	Make Payment		Make Payment	
Alternate Flow	Enter URL	Variations :		
	Browse products			
	Add item/ items to the cart	Select different payment mode		
	checkout			
	Login to the system	Ex. : Make payment by using credit card		
	Select shipment details	debit card / net	banking or choose COD	
	Confirm order	οριιοή		
	Make Payment			

System Testing: – An online retailer



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 Rs. 5001 - Rs. 10000 (2) Rs. 10001 - Rs. 18000 (0) 						MOBILE APP
Rs. 18001 - Rs. 25000 (0)						
🔲 Rs. 25001 - Rs. 35000 (0)						GET THE APP >
Rs. 35001 and Above (0)		×	· · ·	1	1	
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Motorola (4)	0	and 1 more variant	and 1 more variant ★★★★★ (375 ratings) ▶	and 1 more variant	and 1 more variant	flipkart first
HTC (0)		Rs. 6,999	Rs. 6,999	N/A	N/A	
Samsung (0)		EMI from Rs. 340	EMI from Rs. 340	Android v5.0 OS	Android v5.0 OS	

Search Product

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The system should display the searched products







The system should navigate user to the Guest sign up page





The system should navigate user to shipment page

1. EMAIL ID	john.peter@yahoo.com		CHANG	EEMAIL
2. DELIVERY AD	DRESS			
Name	John Peter			
Pincode	411013			
Address	54 B TRDDC, Hadapsar, Industrial estate , Industrial estate , Pune, Maharashtra - 411013			
Landmark	Honeywell			
Country	India (Service available only in India)			
Phone	+91 8460015684			
	SAVE & CONTINUE			

Enter shipment details

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System should accept details

Click

2 DELIVERY ADDRESS John Peter 8460015684 54 B TRDDC, Hadapsar, Industrial estate , Pune, Maharashtra - 411013 CHANGE ADDRESS CHANGE ADDRESS ORDER SUMMARY 1 items ITEM OTY PRICE DELIVERY DETAILS SUBTOTAL MOBILE Moto E (2nd Gen) 3G Back, win 8 GB (Introductory Offer Price of Rs.6,999. Offer till stocks 1 1 Rs.6999 by Fri, 27th Mar (FREE) Standard Delvery [7] Rs.6999 Seller: WS Retail @ Avontage OFFERS: 5 applied Send Order Confirmation SMS alert to +91 8460015684	1. EMAIL ID	john.peter@yahoo.com				CHANGE EMAIL
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Send Order Confirmation SMS alert to +91 8460015684	ADD GIFT W	RAP for Rs.30				
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flipkart Need Help	? call 1800 1080 1800		ORIGINAL PRODUCTS	C FREE & EASY RETURNS	V 100% BUYER PROTECTION
1. EMAIL ID	john.peter@yahoo.com			CHANG	EEMAIL
2. DELIVERY ADDRESS	John Peter 8460015684 54 B TRDDC, Hadapsar, Industrial estate , Pune,	Maharashtra - 411013	}	CHANGE	ADDRESS
3. ORDER SUMMARY	1 items Total Rs.6999			REVIEW	/ ORDER
4. PAYMENT METHOD					
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Net Banking	xxxxxxxxxxxx	45347845 5		Amo	unt Payable Rs. 6999
m EMI	01/17 Expiry Date	[123]			
Debit Card	John Peter				
₹ COD	Save this card for faster payments	Learn more			
₩ EGV	Pay				
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Test Scripts: Observations

- Test Procedures
 - Sequence of user actions data entry, navigations, V&V ...
 - Describing a usage scenario
- Test scripts
 - Manual scripts are fewer 100s to 1000s (unlike automatically generated test cases)
 - They however attempt to cover all edges

1	Enter the URL "www.Fipkart .com" in the browser.
2	Search and select product
3	Add product to the cart by the help of add To My cart button
4	click on "Buy Now" button
5	Click the "SIGN UP" button in the guest sign up section.
6	Enter the shipment details.
7	Click the Credit card link in the payment information section.
8	Enter all the details in all the mandatory field and press pay button

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Can we mine Workflows from Test Scripts?

Can we use process mining techniques?

- Several mining techniques [2-5,8,14] to mine process models, FSMs from event logs
- Few applications by IT service providers
- Usage of test scripts for mining novel
- Experimented with several techniques: α-miner, heuristic miner, multiphase miner, from the ProM toolset developed at TU/e and Synoptic[14]
 - Precision defined as the degree to which the model reflects the behavior in the log
 - Precision of the mined model between 14% and 100%
 - None of the algorithms handled duplicates
 - Algorithms developed to handle large logs and unseen behavior hence tend to generalize
 - α-miner the most simplistic, mined models with precision 99%, heuristic miner 30%, multi-phase miner 14% and Synoptic 100%

For comprehension: Models should be precise during acquisition and maintenance INSTA 2015: 2nd International Workshop on Software Test Architecture

Heuristic Miner

Let A and B be events in a log

- A > B, if activity A is followed by B
- A → B, If activity A is followed by B but B is never followed by A i.e. if and only if A > B and B ≯ A
- A # B, if and only if, $A \gg B$ and $B \gg A$
- A || B, if and only if A > B and B > A
- Frequency of events is denoted as #A
- Number of times A is directly followed by #A > B
- metric \$A \xrightarrow{L} B is used to measure the strength of the relationship between A and B depending on frequencies
- metric $A \rightarrow B$ is used to measure the strength of the relationship depending on the distance

Heuristic Miner: Mined Model



Heuristic Miner: Analysis



Noise: The edge between b and d dropped from model

Generalization: New path in the model from e to g not in the log



Synoptic: Studying Logged Behavior with Inferred Models

- Synoptic constructs a system model from a set of observed system execution traces
- Synoptic mines three kinds of invariants relating events from the trace graph
 - a \rightarrow b: Event a is always followed by event b
 - a \Rightarrow b: Event a is never followed by event b
 - $a \leftarrow b$: Event a always precedes event b
 - For given examples traces, 57 such invariants mined from the traces: abcd, axcde, afcd

AlwaysFollowedBy (→)	NeverFollowedBy (≁)	AlwaysPrecedes (←)
$a \rightarrow c$	a ≁ a	a ← b
$f \rightarrow c$	b ≁ a	a ← c
$X \rightarrow C$	C ≁ f	$c \leftarrow d$
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Initial Model, Refinement & Coarsening

- Initial Model: Contains only one occurrence of each event
 - If an event a is immediately followed by an event b in the trace, then there must be an edge from a to b
 - If an event a is never immediately followed by an event b in the trace, then there is no edge from a to b
- Refinement: Model is split
 - Model checker generated counter examples are used as guide to split the model
 - Such that all mined invariants are satisfied
- Coarsening: Nodes in the models are merged
 - K-Tails algorithm used to make the model compact



Synoptic: Final Model

abcd axcde afcd



Challenge: Duplicates

Case ID	Step Name	Description
Case_65934	1	Enter the URL "www.flipkart .com" in the browser.
	2	click the Register link present in the header section of the Home page.
	3	Enter all the details in the mandatory fields.
	4	click save button.
Case_65935	1	Enter the URL "www.Fipkart .com" in the browser.
	2	click on the Login button.
	3	Login to the system with valid login credentials.
	4	Search and select product
	5	Add product to the cart by the help of add To My cart button
	6	click on "Buy Now" button
	7	Enter the shipment details
	8	click save button.
	9	Click the Credit card link in the payment information section.
	10	Enter all the details in all the mandatory field and press pay button

- Both occurrence of "click save button" are in different context.
- Each such occurrence should be treated as unique action
- Incorrect handling of duplicates could lead to infeasible paths in the model



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Synoptic: Analysis

- Though Synoptic tool creates precise models, it does not handle duplicates
 - Ex: In trace 1 and 3 events C and D node occur in different context, however, Synoptic tool merges them



- For the experimental subject, about 30% duplicates were accidentally handled correctly
 - K-Tails does not merge nodes that do not have common parent

Challenge: Similar Test Steps

Case ID	Step Name	Description
Case_65934	1	Enter the URL "www.flipkart .com" in the browser.
	2	click the Register link present in the header section of the Home page.
	3	Enter all the details in the mandatory fields.
	4	click save button.
Case_65936	1	Enter the URL "www.Fipkart .com" in the browser.
	2	Click on the login button.
	3	Enter valid username and password.
	4	Press save button

Example:

click save Button Press save button Click the save button

Sample scenario: Workflow model



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Mining Test Scripts: Research Challenges

- How do I mine models from test scripts that are precise?
 - Duplicates?
 - Similar steps?
- Test steps are low level user actions. What kind of abstractions can we identify in the model?



Patterns: Architectural Components

Platform Specific Pattern: Payment

Payment Mode :	Net Banking	Payment Gateway / Credit Card	Debit Card	Cash Card	O EMI
Select a Payment gateway :	Visa/Master Card(Po	wered By ICICI BANK)			
Transaction Charge :	1.8%+Service Tax as	applicable			
Please Provide Credit Card I	nformation				
Card Type":		VISA T			
Card Number* :		X0000000000000000			
Card Expiry Date* :		Month : 01 (Jan) Vear(yyyy) : 2017			
C√V Number* :		••• What is CVV?			
Name on Card" :		John Peter			
Captcha * :		9GKEXb			
Captcha letters are case sensitive		9GKEXb			
		Back Make Payment Replan			

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Payment Details

Credit Card		
Credit Card	Amount Payable : Rs.600.00	Fare details here 🚽
Debit Card		
Net Banking	Select card type:	
Cook on Dolivery	Name on the card John Peter	
Cash on Delivery	Card no. XXXX XXXX	XXXXX XXXXX
PayU Money	Expiry Date Jan (01) 🔻 2017	•
	CVV XXX	what is this?
	Save my card for exp	press check out (100% secure)
		Book Now >>

Sample Scenarios for Payment

Normal Flow					
	payment mode	Alternate Flow	Select Debit Card as payment mode		
	Select card type		Select card type		
	Enter valid card details in appropriate field		Enter valid card details in appropriate field		
	Click pay button		Click pay button		
Alternate Flow	Select Credit card as payment mode	Alternate Flow	Select Net Banking as		
	Select card type		Enter valid username and		
	Select card from save		password for net banking		
	make payment		Enter payment details		
	Click pay button		Make Payment		
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Domain Specific Pattern: Funds Transfer



Domain Specific Pattern: Funds Transfer (Cont.)

	1	HDFC BANK	Accounts Funds Transfer BillP	ay & Recharge Cards	Demat
		From Account	- Select An Account -	\odot	
		Beneficiary	- Select A Beneficiary -	$\overline{\bullet}$	
		Beneficiary IFSC Code			
		Beneficiary Account Number / Cred Card Number	it.		
		Transfer Amount	1000		
August	Albo	Transfer Description	Installment		
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DETAILS > CONFIRMATION			8460015684		
NEFT O RTGS O IMPS-IFSC (24 From which of your accounts*	IX7 Instant Transfer) Total available amount INR of 20/03/2015 15:09	Back Continue			
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Installment	20/03/2015 📂				
Payment type*					

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Sample Scenarios: Funds Transfer

Normal Flow	Select Fund transfer option				
	Select transaction type as your linked account				
	Enter all the details in the mandatory fields				
	Click continue				
Alternate Flow	Select fund transfer option				
	Select transaction type as other bank account				
	Select to which beneficiary account you want to transfer fund				
	Enter all other details				
	Click continue				

- Alternate scenario for fund transfer:
 - After selecting the transaction type, you will select Beneficiary from the existing list or you add new beneficiary.

Patterns across Applications and Tests

Platform Patterns

- Login
- Registration, Lazy Registration
- Payment
- Domain Patterns
 - Fund Transfer
 - Placing an order
 - Claim Processing

Mining Patterns from Test Scripts

- Can we use patterns to mine behavioral components?
- How do I describe a pattern? Specification Language?
- What machinery do I need to match patterns to identify concrete components?
- How do I distinguish user actions?
 - Model comprehensibility
 - Identifying V&V v/s navigation
 - Structural abstractions
 - Heuristics



Test Step Classification

Classification Scheme

- Data Entry
 - Form field entry, selecting radio buttons or from drop down lists
 - Examples:
 - Enter the same user name and password provided at the time of registration
 - Enter the valid Order number and email address
- Verification
 - Verification of on screen results or database
 - Examples:
 - Check if the correct amount has been deducted from account
 - Verify that the Order history Page contains details of all the orders
- Navigation
 - UI Action that navigates user to a different form or a web page
 - Examples:
 - Click the Sign Up link
 - Click the Login link present in the header section of the Home page

Classification Scheme

- Form Submission
 - Specialized UI Action culminating a set of actions
 - Examples:
 - Click Save button
 - Click OK button
- UI Action
 - All other UI actions
 - Examples:
 - Click the delete button present besides each contact

Validated with SMEs Specializations – Heuristics, Model Comprehensibility

Experimental Setup

- Subjects
 - 232 Test scripts for 5 sub-modules of an e-commerce application
- Automatic Classification using supervised learning
 - Mallet [10] tool developed at Umass, Amherst
 - Naïve Bayes, Maximum Entropy, Decision Tree
- Training Set
 - Created from the subject having largest # test scripts
- Objective: Determine if supervised learning techniques can be used to automatically classify test steps

Subjects

- E-Commerce: E-Commerce is an online e-commerce application. Users of the application can browse products listed on the website. Registered users can view and add products to a cart and checkout the products. Guest users need to register or sign in during the check out process
- Basket Management: Basket Management is a sub module of an e-commerce application. Shopping cart management related functionality like adding items, creating lists, deleting items etc.
- Content Management System(CMS): CMS is a sub system that enables the user to create content. It also enables the approver to view verify and approve the content
- Order Management: Order Management is a sub module of an e-commerce application. It supports order related processes like, checking status of order, changing order, viewing an order based on some criteria etc.
- Customer Notification: Customer Notification is another sub module of e-commerce application. Processes like conformation of order, change in order status, etc. where end-users receive notification from the system

Subject Details

Case Study	# test cases	# total events	#Unique events before dis- conjugation	#Unique events after dis- conjugati on	#Unique events after similarity analysis
E – Commerce	119	483	140	161	141
Basket Management	41	289	100	107	103
CMS	42	396	64	76	62
Order management	16	178	53	58	58
Customer Notification	14	108	60	70	66
Total	232	1454	417	472	430

Results: Naïve Bayes

Case study	No. c	of events co	Precision	Recall			
	Navigation	UI Action	Data Entry	Form Submission	Verification		
E-Commerce	36	33	41	0	21	0.75	0.75
Basket Management	17	41	11	2	13	0.84	0.75
CMS	5	31	12	1	9	0.94	0.84
Order Management	14	12	7	0	18	0.67	0.71
Customer Notification	17	18	7	0	14	0.71	0.75

Precision between 67%-94% and Recall between 71%-84%

Results: Max Entropy

Case study	Νοο	f events coi	Precision	Recall			
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	Navigation	UI Action	Data Entry	Form Submission	Verification		
E-Commerce	34	33	40	2	23	0.95	0.89
Basket Management	17	46	13	4	16	0.87	0.91
CMS	5	26	12	3	10	0.89	0.96
Order Management	14	13	5	1	19	0.94	0.93
Customer Notification	15	18	7	3	14	0.92	0.92

Precision between 87%-95% and recall between 89%-96%

Results: Decision Tree

Case study	No. o	f events co	Precision	Recall			
	Navigation	UI Action	Data Entry	Form Submission	Verification		
E-Commerce	22	37	38	0	22	0.70	0.68
Basket Management	7	45	10	0	17	0.66	0.61
CMS	0	31	9	0	10	0.55	0.54
Order Management	1	17	6	0	18	0.65	0.60
Customer Notification	0	22	6	0	14	0.50	0.56

Precision between 50%-70% and recall between 54%-68%

Analysis

- Maximum Entropy performs much better
 - Precision between 87%-95% and recall between 89%-96%
- Specializations a problem
 - Naïve Bayes: The action "click submit button" is classified as UI action as "click" and "button" occur more frequently in UI action
 - Maximum Entropy: The action "click submit button" is classified as Form Submission action as "submit button" and "click submit" occurs more frequently in Form submission
 - Decision Tree: "click submit button" is classified as UI action.
 Whenever "click" occurred, it checks for other higher probability words in the tree

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Summary

- Test scripts in the enterprise for business applications largely
 - Creation as well as during maintenance
- Comprehension of the manually written test scripts is a challenge
- Present the novel idea of mining workflow models
 - Similar / Duplicate test steps key challenges
- Suggest that test scripts have architectural components
 - Mining may be possible
- Present a test step classification scheme
 - Experimental results of automatic classifier using supervised learning

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Thank You

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