

Unit Testing

With a focus on practical topics

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Theory

Lets read some about Unit Testing

A Basic Intro to Unit Testing

- ♣ White box
- ♣ Individual modules are tested
- ♣ Checks if there are any issues by the **Developer** himself
- ♣ Isolate each unit of System
- ♣ Purpose: Identify, Analyze and Fix the defects

Practical

Lets see some basic examples

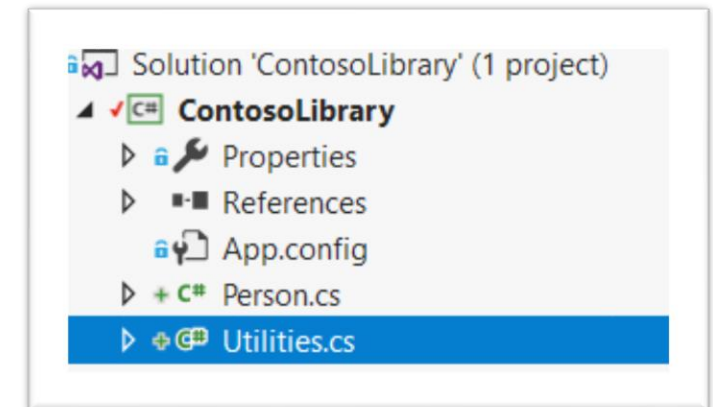
Basic Examples (1), The Code

```
namespace ContosoApp
{
    public class Utilities
    {
        public Person ParseString(string data)
        {
            // format: "Name=something;City=10;"
            var tokens = data.Split(';');

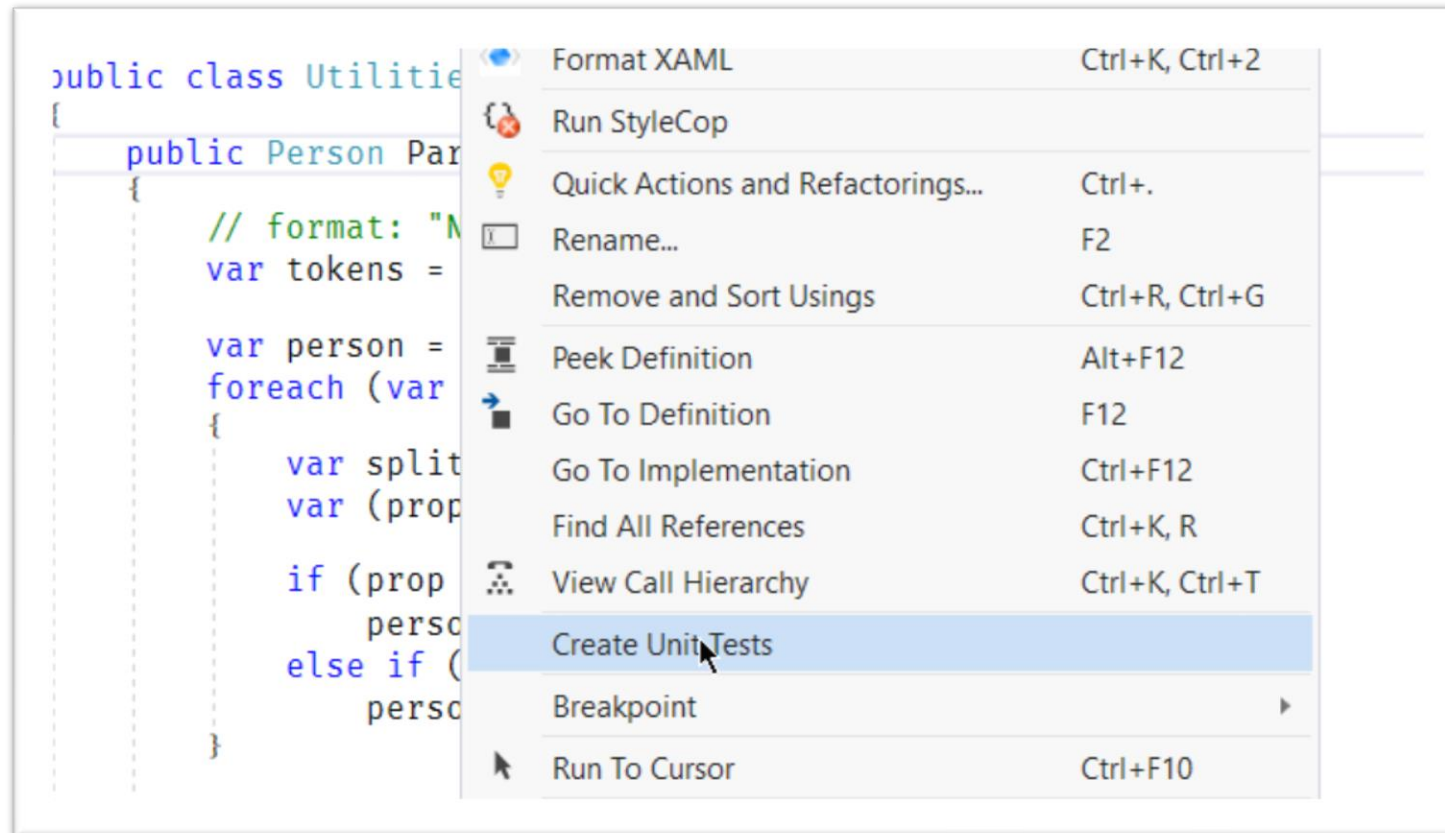
            var person = new Person();
            foreach(var token in tokens)
            {
                var splited = token.Split('=');
                var (prop, value) = (splited[0], splited[1]);

                if (prop == nameof(Person.Name))
                    person.Name = value;
                else if (prop == nameof(Person.City))
                    person.City = value;
            }

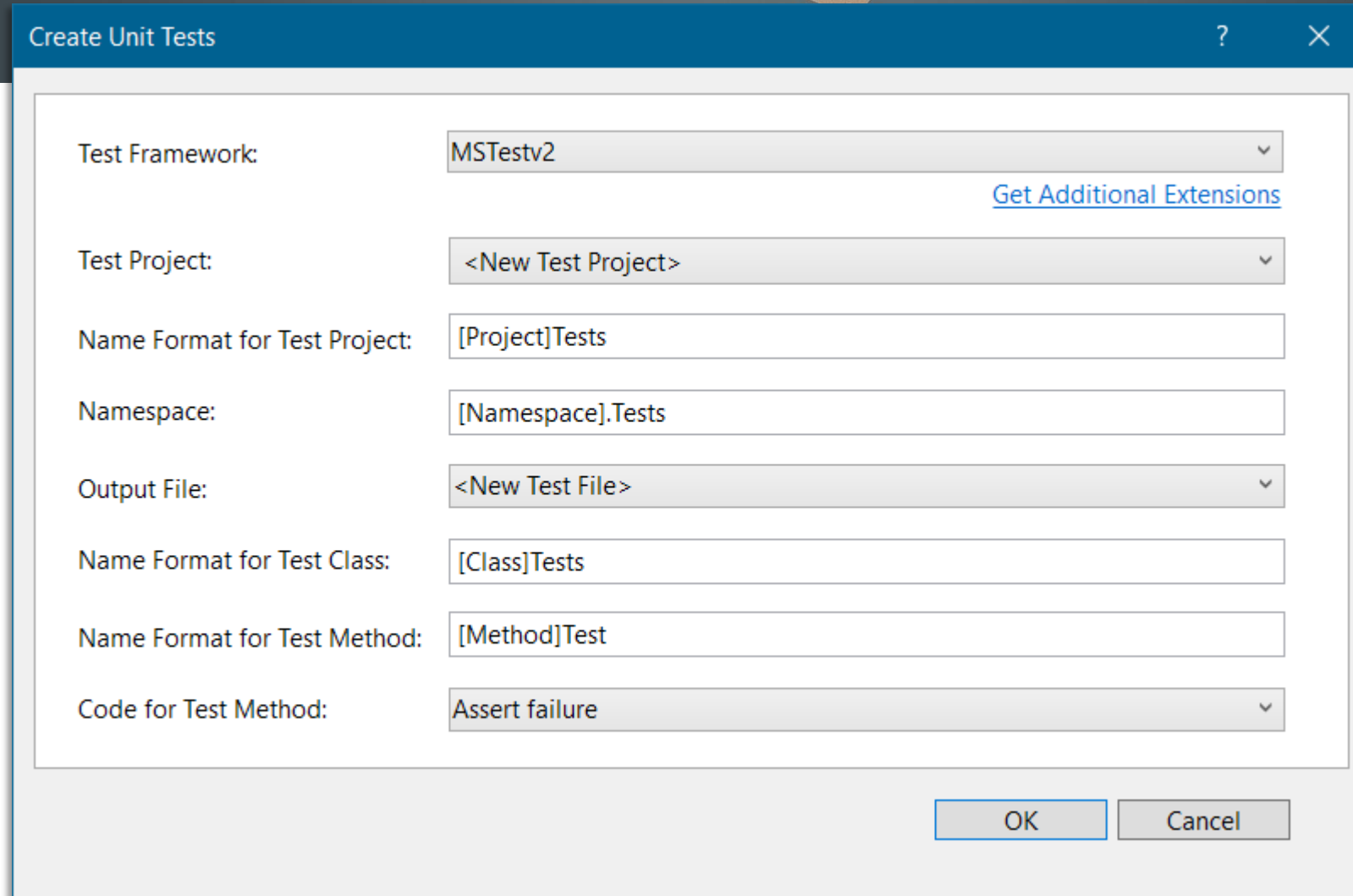
            return person;
        }
    }
}
```



Basic Examples (2), Create Unit Test Project



Basic Examples (3), Select Framework and Template



Create Unit Tests

Test Framework: MSTestv2 [Get Additional Extensions](#)

Test Project: <New Test Project>

Name Format for Test Project: [Project]Tests

Namespace: [Namespace].Tests

Output File: <New Test File>

Name Format for Test Class: [Class]Tests

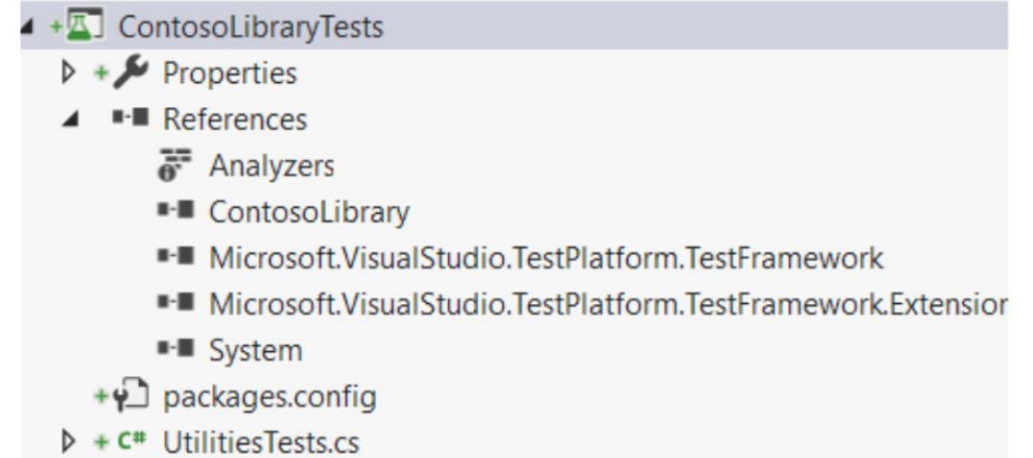
Name Format for Test Method: [Method]Test

Code for Test Method: Assert failure

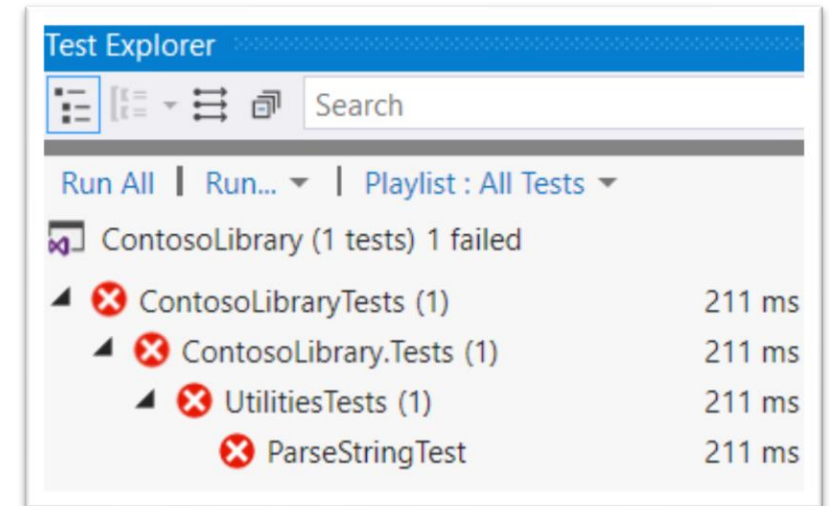
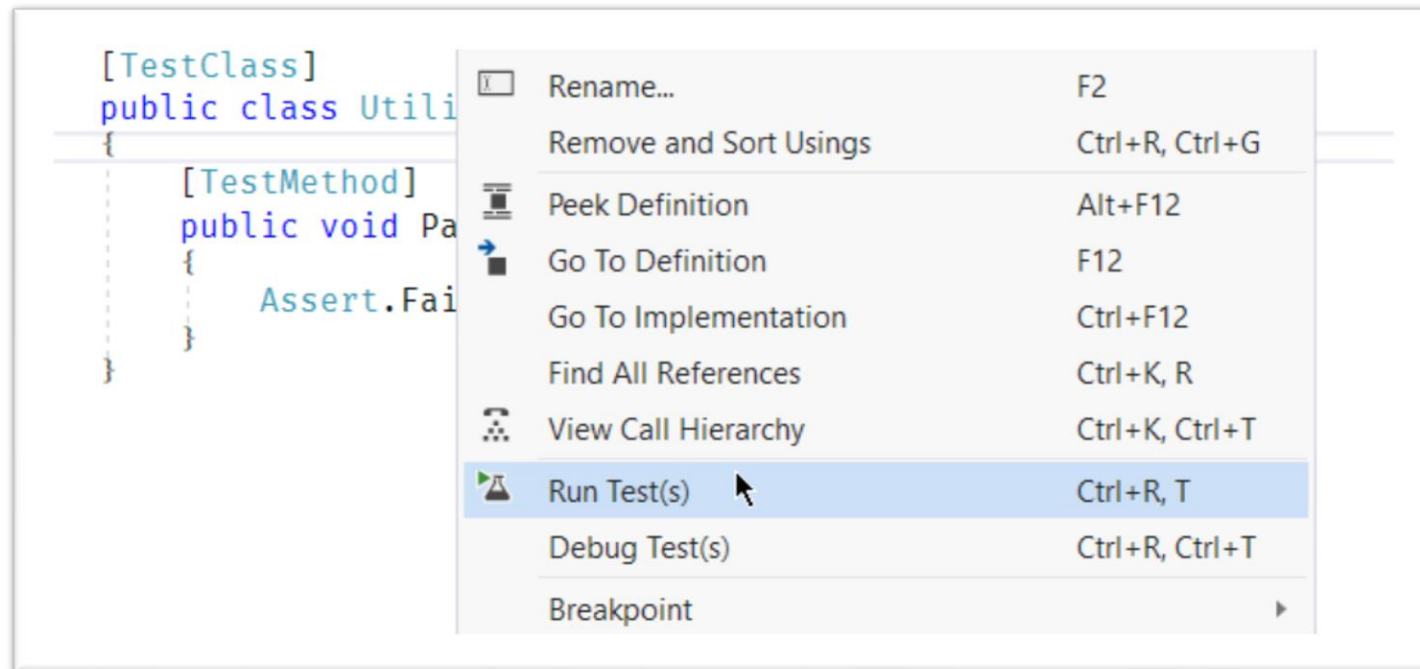
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Basic Examples (4), Generated Test Project

```
namespace ContosoLibrary.Tests
{
    [TestClass]
    public class UtilitiesTests
    {
        [TestMethod]
        public void ParseStringTest()
        {
            Assert.Fail();
        }
    }
}
```



Basic Examples (5), Run Empty Test



Basic Examples (6), What to write?

What should we write in this method?

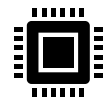
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{
    [TestClass]
    public class UtilitiesTests
    {
        [TestMethod]
        public void ParseStringTest()
        {
            Assert.Fail();
        }
    }
}
```

Basic Examples (7), What to write?

Let's use the **AAA** Pattern,
Which basically means:



Arrange



Act



Assert

Basic Examples (8), What to write?

 **Arrange:** initializes objects and sets the value of the data that is passed to the method under test.

 **Act:** invokes the method under test with the arranged parameters

 **Assert:** verifies that the action of the method under test behaves as expected

```
[TestClass]
public class UtilitiesTests
{
    [TestMethod]
    public void ParseStringTest()
    {
        // Arrange Data
        var utils = new Utilities();
        const string input1 = "Name=Aryan;City=Astaneh";
        const string input2 = "Name=erfan;city=karaj";
        var expected1 = new Person
        {
            Name = "Aryan",
            City = "Astaneh"
        };
        var expected2 = new Person
        {
            Name = "erfan",
            City = "karaj"
        };

        // Act
        var actual1 = utils.ParseString(input1);
        var actual2 = utils.ParseString(input2);

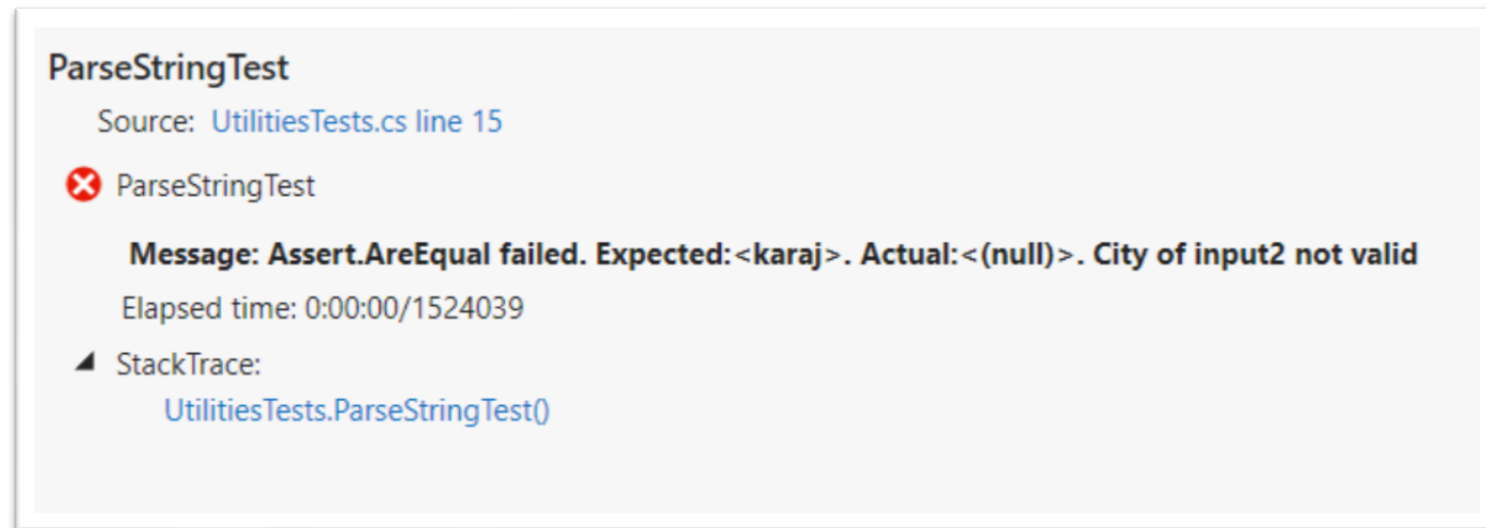
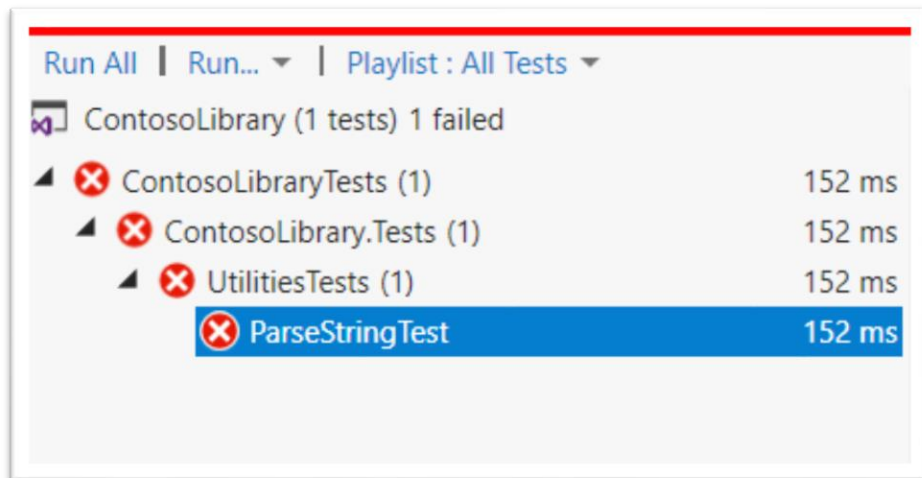
        // Assert
        Assert.AreEqual(expected1.Name, actual1.Name, "Name of input1 not valid");
        Assert.AreEqual(expected1.City, actual1.City, "City of input1 not valid");
        Assert.AreEqual(expected2.Name, actual2.Name, "Name of input2 not valid");
        Assert.AreEqual(expected2.City, actual2.City, "City of input2 not valid");
    }
}
```

Basic Example (10)

Let's check the result:

Again no! But why?


Hmmm... Makes sense!



Basic Example (11)

Problem lies here:

```
public void ParseStringTest()
{
    // Arrange Data
    var utils = new Utilities();
    const string input1 = "Name=Aryan;city=Astaneh";
    const string input2 = "Name=erfan;city=karaj";
    var expected1 = new Person
    {
        Name = "Aryan",
        City = "Astaneh"
    }
}
```



Let's fix it in the code

Basic Example (12)

```
public Person ParseString(string data)
{
    // format: "Name=something;City=10;"
    var tokens = data.Split(';');

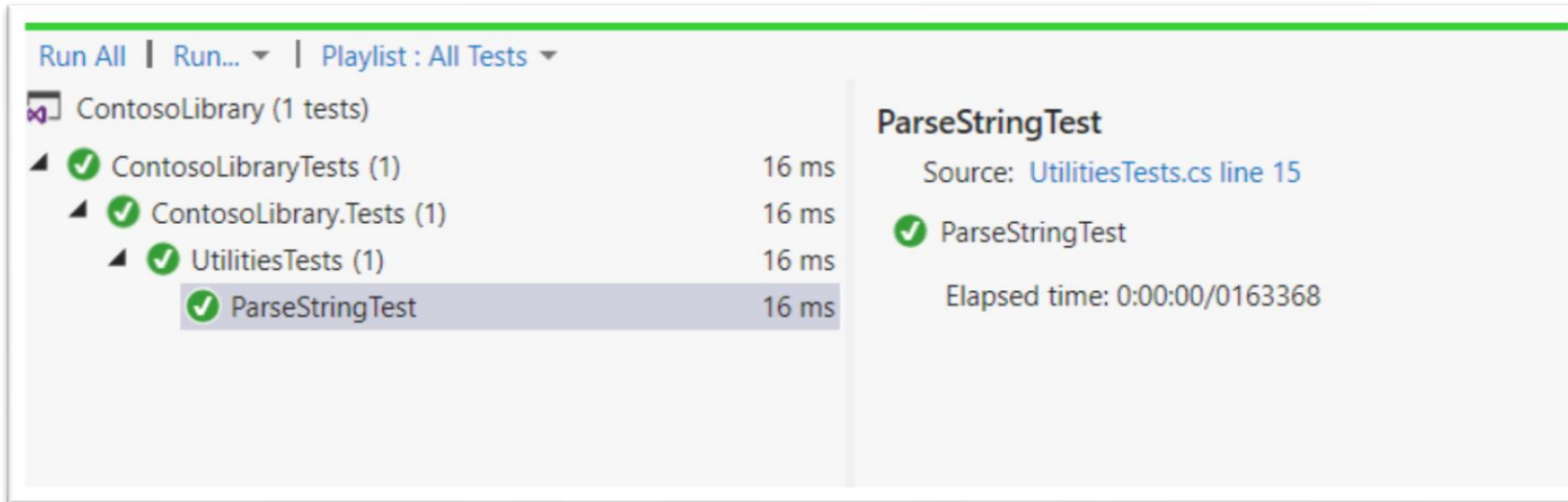
    var person = new Person();
    foreach (var token in tokens)
    {
        var splited = token.Split('=');
        var (prop, value) = (splited[0], splited[1]);

        if (string.Equals(prop, nameof(Person.Name), StringComparison.OrdinalIgnoreCase))
            person.Name = value;
        else if (string.Equals(prop, nameof(Person.City), StringComparison.OrdinalIgnoreCase))
            person.City = value;
    }

    return person;
}
```

Basic Example (13)

Let's check the result one more time:



The screenshot displays the Visual Studio Test Explorer interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Run All', 'Run...' (with a dropdown arrow), and 'Playlist : All Tests' (with a dropdown arrow). Below this, a tree view shows the test hierarchy: 'ContosoLibrary (1 tests)' is expanded, showing 'ContosoLibraryTests (1)' (16 ms), which is expanded to show 'ContosoLibrary.Tests (1)' (16 ms), which is expanded to show 'UtilitiesTests (1)' (16 ms), which is expanded to show 'ParseStringTest' (16 ms). The 'ParseStringTest' item is highlighted. To the right of the tree view, the details for 'ParseStringTest' are shown: 'Source: UtilitiesTests.cs line 15', a green checkmark icon, and 'Elapsed time: 0:00:00/0163368'.

Test Name	Duration
ContosoLibraryTests (1)	16 ms
ContosoLibrary.Tests (1)	16 ms
UtilitiesTests (1)	16 ms
ParseStringTest	16 ms

ParseStringTest
Source: [UtilitiesTests.cs line 15](#)
✓ ParseStringTest
Elapsed time: 0:00:00/0163368

The result is: A happy programmer

Basic Example (14), Split Test Methods

```
[TestMethod]
public void ParseStringNormalTest()
{
    // Arrange Data
    var utils = new Utilities();
    const string input = "Name=Aryan;City=Astaneh";
    var expected1 = new Person
    {
        Name = "Aryan",
        City = "Astaneh"
    };

    // Act
    var actual1 = utils.ParseString(input);

    // Assert
    Assert.AreEqual(expected1.Name, actual1.Name);
    Assert.AreEqual(expected1.City, actual1.City);
}
```

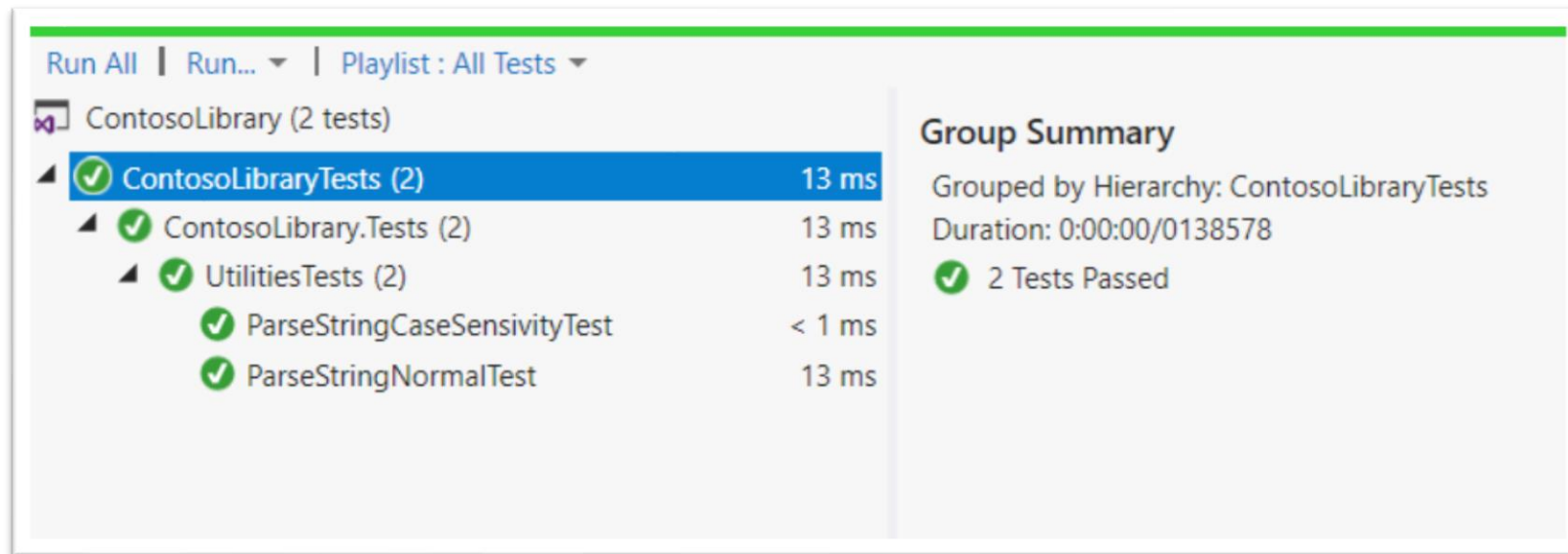
```
[TestMethod]
public void ParseStringCaseSensitivityTest()
{
    // Arrange Data
    var utils = new Utilities();
    const string input = "nAmE=erfan;cITy=karaj";
    var expected = new Person
    {
        Name = "erfan",
        City = "karaj"
    };

    // Act
    var actual = utils.ParseString(input);

    // Assert
    Assert.AreEqual(expected.Name, actual.Name, "Name of input not valid");
    Assert.AreEqual(expected.City, actual.City, "City of input not valid");
}
```


Basic Example (15), Split Test Methods

And there will be 2 tests in the Test Explorer



Real World Examples

Let's check out GitHub for some popular projects



Newtonsoft.Json .NET

Most popular Nuget package in .NET ecosystem



Newtonsoft.Json .NET

[illegible]

Newtonsoft.Json .NET

```
[Test]
public void DeserializeVersionString()
{
    string json = "['1.2.3.4']";
    List<Version> deserialized = JsonConvert.DeserializeObject<List<Version>>(json);

    Assert.AreEqual(1, deserialized[0].Major);
    Assert.AreEqual(2, deserialized[0].Minor);
    Assert.AreEqual(3, deserialized[0].Build);
    Assert.AreEqual(4, deserialized[0].Revision);
}
```



Newtonsoft.Json .NET

```
[Test]
public void CanDeserializeIntArray_WhenArrayIsFirstPropertyInJson()
{
    string json = "{bar:[1,2,3], foo:'hello'}";
    ClassWithArray wibble = JsonConvert.DeserializeObject<ClassWithArray>(json);
    Assert.AreEqual("hello", wibble.Foo);

    Assert.AreEqual(4, wibble.Bar.Count);
    Assert.AreEqual(int.MaxValue, wibble.Bar[0]);
    Assert.AreEqual(1, wibble.Bar[1]);
    Assert.AreEqual(2, wibble.Bar[2]);
    Assert.AreEqual(3, wibble.Bar[3]);
}
```



Newtonsoft.Json .NET

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[Test]
public void CanDeserializeIntArray_WhenArrayIsFirstPropertyInJson()
{
    string json = "{bar:[1,2,3], foo:'hello'}";
    ClassWithArray wibble = JsonConvert.DeserializeObject<ClassWithArray>(json);
    Assert.AreEqual("hello", wibble.Foo);

    Assert.AreEqual(4, wibble.Bar.Count);
    Assert.AreEqual(int.MaxValue, wibble.Bar[0]);
    Assert.AreEqual(1, wibble.Bar[1]);
    Assert.AreEqual(2, wibble.Bar[2]);
    Assert.AreEqual(3, wibble.Bar[3]);
}
```



Microsoft C# Language

Roslyn tests for C# Language



Microsoft C# Language

```
[Fact]
public void TestGarbageAfterLocalDeclarationArrayInitializerStart()
{
    var text = "class c { void m() { int a = { $ }; } }";
    var file = this.ParseTree(text);

    Assert.NotNull(file);
    Assert.Equal(text, file.ToFullString());
    Assert.Equal(1, file.Members.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.ClassDeclaration, file.Members[0].Kind());
    var agg = (TypeDeclarationSyntax)file.Members[0];
    Assert.Equal(1, agg.Members.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.MethodDeclaration, agg.Members[0].Kind());
    var ms = (MethodDeclarationSyntax)agg.Members[0];
    Assert.NotNull(ms.Body);
    Assert.Equal(1, ms.Body.Statements.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.LocalDeclarationStatement, ms.Body.Statements[0].Kind());
    Assert.Equal(1, file.Errors().Length);
    Assert.Equal((int)ErrorCode.ERR_UnexpectedCharacter, file.Errors()[0].Code);
}
```

Microsoft C# Language

```
[Fact]
public void TestCloseBraceAfterMethodCallStart()
{
    var text = "class c { void m() { m( } }";
    var file = this.ParseTree(text);

    Assert.NotNull(file);
    Assert.Equal(text, file.ToFullString());
    Assert.Equal(1, file.Members.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.ClassDeclaration, file.Members[0].Kind());
    var agg = (TypeDeclarationSyntax)file.Members[0];
    Assert.Equal(1, agg.Members.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.MethodDeclaration, agg.Members[0].Kind());
    var ms = (MethodDeclarationSyntax)agg.Members[0];
    Assert.NotNull(ms.Body);
    Assert.Equal(1, ms.Body.Statements.Count);
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.ExpressionStatement, ms.Body.Statements[0].Kind());
    var es = (ExpressionStatementSyntax)ms.Body.Statements[0];
    Assert.Equal(SyntaxKind.InvocationExpression, es.Expression.Kind());
    Assert.Equal(2, file.Errors().Length);
    Assert.Equal((int)ErrorCode.ERR_CloseParenExpected, file.Errors()[0].Code);
    Assert.Equal((int)ErrorCode.ERR_SemicolonExpected, file.Errors()[1].Code);
}
```


Behavior-driven Development

Or simply BDD

BDD



- 🧪 Emerged from TDD (or Test-driven Development)
- 🧪 Express the behavior and the expected outcomes

BDD

Story: Returns go to stock

As a store owner

In order to keep track of stock

I want to add items back to stock when they're returned.

Scenario 1: Refunded items should be returned to stock

Given that a customer previously bought a black sweater from me

And I have three black sweaters in stock.

When they return the black sweater for a refund

Then I should have four black sweaters in stock.

Scenario 2: Replaced items should be returned to stock

Given that a customer previously bought a blue garment from me

And I have two blue garments in stock

And three black garments in stock.

When they return the blue garment for a replacement in black

Then I should have three blue garments in stock

And two black garments in stock.

Brittle/Fragile Tests

Tests that are easy to break



Brittle/Fragile Tests

♣ Things that make unit tests brittle:

- ♣ Assert against elements in UI
- ♣ Asserting against large result strings instead of small ones
- ♣ Static states shared between threads
- ♣ Unrealistic test data
- ♣ Brittle code under test
- ♣ Too many responsibilities
- ♣ Tests whose results can vary based on the environment, such as performance timings.
- ♣ Tests that can't run independently of each other.

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Thank you!

