Living Documentation

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Chapter 1. Introduction

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Here are some design principles:

- Living documentation should be readable and highlight your software features;
 - Most bdd tools generate reports and not a truly documentation.
- Cukedoctor **do not** introduce a new API that you need to learn, instead it operates on top of cucumber json output files;
 - In the 'worst case' to enhance your documentation you will need to know a bit of asciidoc markup.

In the subsequent chapters you will see a documentation which is generated by the output of Cukedoctor's BDD tests, a real bdd living documentation.

Chapter 2. Summary

S	cenario	s	Steps						Features: 4		
Passed	Failed	Total	Passed	Failed	Skippe d	Pendin g	Undefi ned	Missin g	Total	Durati on	Status
Cukedoctor Converter											
1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	03s 119ms	passed
	Ordering										
2	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	071ms	passed
	Documentation introduction chapter										
1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	019ms	passed
	Enrich features										
2	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	088ms	passed
	Totals										
6	0	6	19	0	0	0	0	0	19	03s	298ms

Chapter 3. Features

3.1. Cukedoctor Converter

In order to have awesome *living documentation* As a bdd developer

I want to use **Cukedoctor** to convert my cucumber test results into readable living documentation

3.1.1. Scenario: Convert features test output into documentation

Given

Feature: Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step

Feature: Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step

When

I convert their json test output using cukedoctor converter d (01s 909ms)

To generate cucumber .json output files just execute your *BDD* tests with **json** formatter, example:



```
@RunWith(Cucumber.class)
@CucumberOptions(plugin = {"json:target/cucumber.json"})
```



plugin option replaced **format** option which was deprecated in newer cucumber versions.

I should have awesome living documentation 🌢 (000ms)

Documentation

Summary

S	cenario	os				Steps				Featu	res: 2
Passe d	Faile d	Total	Passe d	Faile d	Skipp ed	Pendi ng	Undef ined	Missi ng	Total	Durat ion	Statu s
					Feat	ure1					
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	647ms	passe d
	Feature2										
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	000ms	passe d
	Totals										
2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	647	7ms

Features

Feature1

Given

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

scenario step 👍 (647ms)

Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given

scenario step 🔞 (000ms)

3.2. Ordering

In order to have features ordered in living documentation As a bdd developer

I want to control the order of features in my documentation

3.2.1. Scenario: Default ordering

Given

The following two features: ம் (000ms)

Feature: Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step

Feature: Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step

When

I convert them using default order **★** (035ms)



3.2.2. Scenario: Custom ordering

Given 7

The following two features: 🖒 (000ms)

#order: 2

Feature: Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step

#order: 1

Feature: Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step



Ordering is done using feature comment 'order:'

When

I convert them using comment order **i** (035ms)



3.3. Documentation introduction chapter

In order to have an introduction chapter in my documentation As a bdd developer

I want to be able to provide an asciidoc based document which introduces my software

3.3.1. Scenario: Introduction chapter in classpath

Cinara		
Given		
		9

The following two features: 🖒 (000ms)

Feature: Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step

Feature: Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step

And

The following asciidoc document is on your application classpath d (018ms)

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The introduction file must be named **intro-chapter.adoc** and can be in any package of your application,

By default Cukedoctor will look into application folders but you can make Cukedoctor look into external folder by setting the following system property:



System.setProperty("INTRO_CHAPTER_DIR","/home/some/external/f
older");

When

Bdd tests results are converted into documentation by Cukedoctor documentation by Cukedoctor (000ms)

Then

Resulting documentation should have the provided introduction chapter **d** (000ms)

Documentation

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Scenar	rios		Steps	Steps							Features: 2	
Passe d	Faile d	Total	Passe d	Faile d	Skip ped	Pend ing	Unde fined		Total	Durat ion	Statu s	
Feature1												
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	647m s	passe d	
	Feature2											
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	000m s	passe d	
	Totals											
2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	647ms		

Features

Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step ♣ (647ms)

Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step ♣ (000ms)

3.4. Enrich features

In order to have awesome *living documentation*As a bdd developer
I want to render asciidoc markup inside my features

3.4.1. Scenario: DocSting enrichment

Asciidoc markup can be used in feature **DocStrings**. To do so you need to enable it by using **cukector-dicrete** comment on the feature.

Given

The following two features: **▲** (000ms)

```
Feature: Enrich feature
 Scenario: Render source code
    # cukedoctor-discrete
   Given the following source code in docstrings
 [source, java]
 public int sum(int x, int y){
 int result = x + y;
  return result; (1)
 }
 <1> We can have callouts in living documentation
 Scenario: Render table
   # cukedoctor-discrete
   Given the following table
 |===
  | Cell in column 1, row 1 | Cell in column 2, row 1
  | Cell in column 1, row 2 | Cell in column 2, row 2
  | Cell in column 1, row 3 | Cell in column 2, row 3
 |===
11 11 11
```

When

I convert docstring enriched json output using cukedoctor converter 🌢 (040ms)



3.4.2. Scenario: Comments enrichment

Asciidoc markup can be used in feature comments. To do so you need to surround asciidoc markup by **curly brackets**;.

The following feature with asciidoc markup in comments: **d** (000ms)

```
Scenario: Adding numbers
You can *asciidoc markup* in _feature_ #description#.

NOTE: This is a very important feature!

#{IMPORTANT: Asciidoc markup inside *steps* must be surrounded by *curly brackets*.}

Given I have numbers 1 and 2

# {NOTE: Steps comments are placed *before* each steps so this comment is for the *WHEN* step.}

When I sum the numbers

# {* this is a list of itens inside a feature step}

# {* there is no multiline comment in gherkin}

# {** second level list item}

Then I should have 3 as result
```

When

I convert enriched feature json output using cukedoctor **d** (047ms)

Asciidoc markup on comments must be rendered in my documentation 🏚 (000ms)

Calculator

Scenario: Adding numbers

You can use **asciidoc markup** in *feature* description.



This is a very important feature!

Given

I have numbers 1 and 2 d (114ms)



Asciidoc markup inside **steps** must be surrounded by **curly brackets**.

When

I sum the numbers **▲** (000ms)



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Then

I should have 3 as result **▲** (001ms)

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