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

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					Tot	als					
6	0	6	19	0	0	0	0	0	19	01s	923ms

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 living documentation

3.1.1. Scenario: Convert features output into documentation

Given

The following two features: d (350ms)

Feature: Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step

Feature: Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step

When

I convert their json output report using cukedoctor converter **▲** (01s 404ms)

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.

Then

I should have awesome living documentation **▲** (000ms)

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Summary

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					Feat	ure2					
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	000ms	passed
					Tot	als					
2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	64	7ms

Features

Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given scenario step **d** (647ms)

Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given scenario step **d** (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: **★** (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 de (034ms)

Then

Features should be ordered by name in resulting documentation documentation (000ms)

Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given

scenario step 🛍 (647ms)

Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given

scenario step 🕯 (000ms)

3.2.2. Scenario: Custom ordering

Given

The following two features: **★** (004ms)

#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 do (032ms)

Then

Features should be ordered respecting order comment **i** (000ms)

Feature2

Scenario: Scenario feature 2

Given

scenario step de (000ms)

Feature1

Scenario: Scenario feature 1

Given

scenario step 🛍 (313ms)

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

Given

The following two features: d (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 (021ms)

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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/folder")

When

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

Then

Resulting documentation should have the provided introduction chapter documentation should have the provided documentation of the provided documentation should have the provided documentation of the provided documentati

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					Feat	ure2					
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	000m s	passe d
					Tot	tals					
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 **d** (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

```
Feature: Enrich feature
  Scenario: Render source code
    # cukedoctor-discrete
   Given the following source code in docstrings
11 11 11
 [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
 |===
```

When

I convert docstring enriched json output using cukedoctor converter docstring enriched json output using cukedoctor converter (037ms)

Then

DocString asciidoc output must be rendered in my documentation **d** (000ms)

Discrete class feature

Scenario: Render source code

```
Given
the following source code  (267ms)

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

e following table 🛍 (000ms)	
; following table • (ooonts)	
Coll in column 1 years 1	Call in column 2 years 1
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

3.4.2. Scenario: Comments enrichment

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

```
Given

The following feature with asciidoc markup in comments: 

(000ms)
```

```
Feature: Calculator

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** (034ms)

Then

Asciidoc markup on comments must be rendered in my documentation **d** (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 id (114ms)



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

When

I sum the numbers de (000ms)



Steps comments are placed **before** each steps so this comment is for the **WHEN** step.

Then

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

this is a list of itens inside a feature step there is no multiline comment in gherkin second level list item