

CSE 464 Software Quality Assurance and Testing

Software Testing - JUnit

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JUnit

- Java unit testing framework
- Already bundled with Eclipse
- Defines format for writing test cases (executable Java), manages execution of test cases, result comparison, and easy-to-read evaluation report



JUnit Basics

- **Test case:** a single method (**annotated with @Test**) that JUnit can execute
 - Should have only 1 set of input values
 - Pass/fail usually determined by an assert statement
- **Test class:** a Java class that contains JUnit test cases
 - Use for focused testing on a single Java class or set of classes
 - Name it like a normal Java class but add “Test” to the name
- **Test suite:** one or more test classes

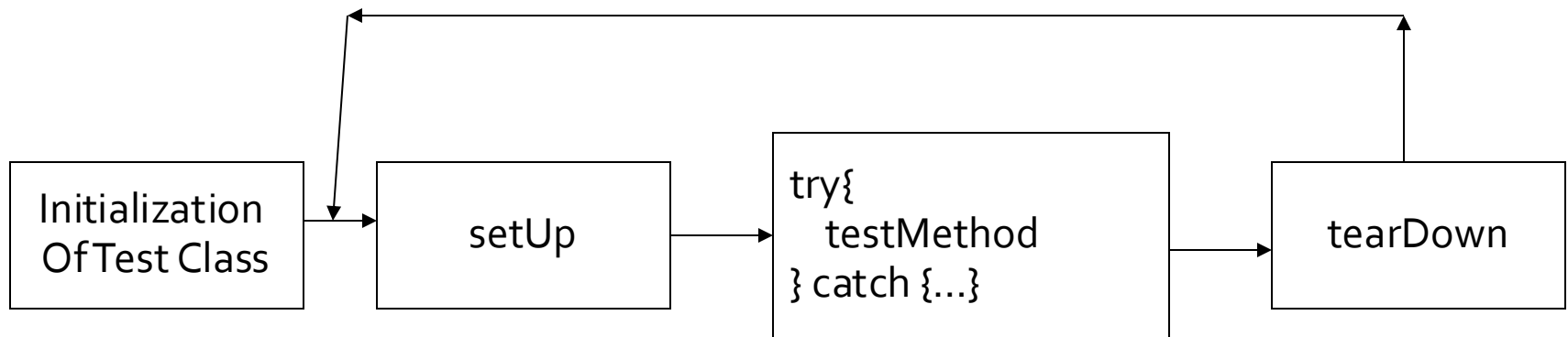
JUnit Basics

- assert family of methods do the testing between expected and actual values
- A test passes or fails based on outcome of assert statement
- **But:** a test can also pass without an assert statement
 - E.g., test passes if an exception is thrown

Note

- **Test case execution order is arbitrary;** thus no test can depend on the outcome of another test
- A helpful resource is <http://www.vogella.com/tutorials/JUnit/article.html>
 - Some of this material and organization was borrowed from Mr. Vogella

State machine of JUnit



asserts

- General format: `assert...([message,]<expected>, <actual>);`
- **assertTrue**, **assertFalse**([msg,]<boolean result>)
- **assertEquals**([msg,]<exp>, <act>[, tolerance])
- **assertNull**, **assertNotNull**
- **assertSame**, **assertNotSame**: compares references

Assertions

```
public void testCapacity() {           // a test method
    ...
    assertTrue(fFull.size() == 100+size); //assertion
}
```

If assertion fails:

Assertion failed: myTest.java:150 (expected true but was false)

Not so good!

Try: `assertEquals(100+size, fFull.size());` //expected value first

Assertion failed: myTest.java:150 (expected 102 but was 103)

Better!

Try: `assertEquals("list length", 100+size, fFull.size());`

Assertion failed: myTest.java:150 (list length expected 102 but was 103)

Fail

- `fail([String msg])`
- A method that causes the test to fail with the provided message
- Default statement added to new test cases that Eclipse creates
- Normal starting point for tests when unit has not yet been created (e.g., Test-Driven Development)

Comparing Objects

- **assertEquals:** custom objects need to implement equals; otherwise compares references
- **assertArrayEquals:** compares contents of arrays

Exception Testing

- Exceptions are **NOT** errors
- Exceptions are mechanisms to **handle errors** and **avoid failures**
- Good programming defines/handles its own exceptions
 - Otherwise the JVM handles them and will make you look bad
- Thus, **very important** to also test your exception handling

JUnit Exception Testing

- Ways to do this:
 - try/catch with assert
 - `@Test (expected=Exception)`

try/catch with assert

- Put a try/catch in the test method
- Put code to trigger exception in try code block and fail() at end of the code block
 - Thus, if exception is NOT thrown, test fails
- Put assert in catch code block to test property of exception when it is thrown.

@Test (expected=

- Add (expected=<exception name>.class) to @Test annotation
- Test will **only** pass if an exception of that type is thrown
- Any exception of that type will pass
 - Cannot check the exception's message

Timeout Tests

- Use `@Test (timeout = <ms>)` annotation
- Test will fail if asserts in test fail OR timeout occurs
- Great for system/performance tests
 - E.g., test if system can perform 10 transactions per second

Setup Methods

- **@Before** methods: execute before EACH test; useful for preparing/resetting test data
- **@BeforeClass** methods: execute once before ALL tests; useful for initializing time-consuming tasks like opening files, database connections, etc. (methods must be static)

Tear down Methods

- **@After** methods: execute after EACH test; useful for deleting temporary data, releasing resources
- **@AfterClass** methods: execute once after ALL tests; useful for closing files, database connections, etc. (methods must be static)

Tear down

Consider the following test code

```
void setUp() {
    File f = open("foo");
    File b = open("bar");
}
void testAAA() {
    use f and b
}
void testBBB(){
    use f and b
}
```

Problems?

Better?

```
void setUp() {
    File f = open("foo");
    File b = open("bar");
}
void testAAA() {
    try {
        use f and b
    } finally {
        clean&close f, b
    }
}
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}  
void tearDown{  
    clean&close f, b  
}
```

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void setUp() {  
    File f = open("foo");  
    File b = open("bar");  
}  
...  
void tearDown{  
    try{  
        clean&close f  
    }catch{  
        ...  
    }  
    the same for b  
}
```

Problems?

Tear down

- Be careful about tear down
 - If tear down is not complete, a test failure may affect the following test cases
 - Recover the changes done to global data that are not well handled by the setup
 - Database, files, network, global variables
 - Clean resources
 - Caution of exceptions in tear down itself

What To Test?

- **Test complexity well**
 - More complexity -> more defects
- **What Not to Test?**
 - Getters and Setters (unless they are complex)

Testing: Concepts

- Test case
- Test oracle
- Test suite
- Test script
- Test driver
- Test coverage

Testing: Concepts

- Test case
 - An execution of the software with a given list of input values
 - Include:
 - Input values, sometimes fed in different steps
 - Expected outputs
- Test oracle
 - The expected outputs of software by feeding in a list of input values
 - A part of test cases
 - Hardest problem in auto-testing: test oracle problem

Testing: Concepts: Example

<i>ID</i>	14
<i>Title</i>	Add customer
<i>Pre-Conditions</i>	Sign in with sales authorization
<i>Test Steps</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Select the client module.2. Enter the customer information.3. Click "Add".
<i>Expected Results</i>	A message appears in the program's status bar. The message reads "New customer added".

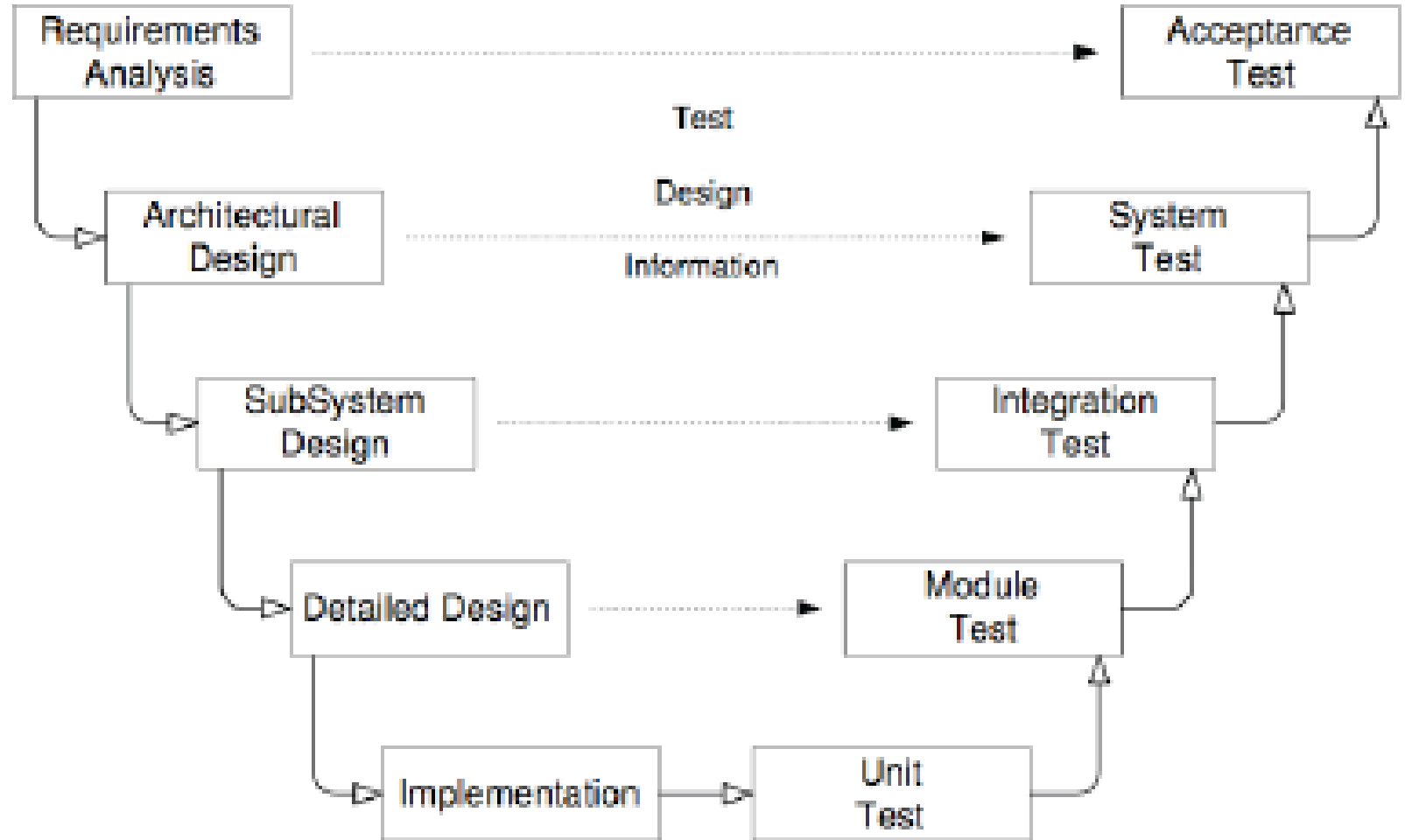
Testing: Concepts

- Test suite
 - A collection of test cases
 - Usually these test cases share similar pre-conditions and configuration
 - Usually can be run together in sequence
 - Different test suites for different purposes
 - Smoke test, Certain platforms, Certain feature, performance, ...
- Test Script
 - A script to run a sequence of test cases or a test suite automatically

Testing: Concepts

- Test Driver
 - A software framework that can load a collection of test cases or a test suite
 - It can usually handle the configuration and comparison between expected outputs and actual outputs
- Test Coverage
 - A measurement to evaluate how well the testing is done
 - The measure can be based on multiple elements
 - Code
 - Input combinations
 - Specifications

Granularity of Testing: V-model



Granularity of testing

- Unit / Module Testing
 - Test of a single module
- Integration Testing
 - Test the interaction between modules
- System Testing
 - Test the system as a whole, by developers on test cases
- Acceptance Testing
 - Validate the system against user requirements, by customers with no formal test cases

Stage of Software Testing

- Development-time testing
 - Unit testing, Integration Testing
- Before-release testing
 - System testing, Acceptance Testing
- User testing
 - Actual usage -> field bugs & patches

Continuous Integration/Delivery

- Teams integrate their work multiple times per day.
- Each integration is verified by an automated build
- Significantly reduces integration problems
- Develop cohesive software more rapidly
- Deliver new features gradually for users to get use to them

Types of testing by how they are designed

- Black box testing
 - The tester are just like normal users
 - They just try to cover input space and corner cases
- White box testing
 - The tester knows everything about the implementation
 - They knows where the bugs are more probably be
 - They can exercise paths in the code

Black Box Testing: General Guidelines

- Divide value range and cover each part
 - Cover boundary values
 - Try to reach all error messages
 - Try to trigger potential exceptions
 - Feed invalid inputs
 - wrong formats, too long, too short, empty, ...
 - Try combinations of all above
- Repeat same and use different inputs for many times if the input is a sequence

White Box Testing: General Guidelines

- Try to cover all branches
 - Study the relationship between input value and branch logic
- Test more on complex modules
 - Measure complexities of modules by code size, number of branches and loops, number of calls and recursions

White Box Testing: Techniques

- More difficult than black box testing
- Need to understand the code
- Code Coverage Guided
- Automatic support
 - Symbolic execution
 - Complexity measurement and Defect prediction

Test Coverage

- After we have done some testing, how do we know the testing is enough?
- The most straightforward: input coverage
- $\# \text{ of inputs tested} / \# \text{ of possible inputs}$
- Unfortunately, $\#$ of possible inputs is typically infinite
- Not feasible, so we need approximations...

Code Coverage

- Basic idea:
 - Bugs in the code that has never been executed will not be exposed
 - So the test suite is definitely not sufficient
- Definition:
 - Divide the code to elements
 - Calculate the proportion of elements that are executed by the test suite

Code Coverage

- Criteria
 - Statement (basic block) coverage, are they the same?
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Thank You !



Questions ?