Clean Unit Test Patterns



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Test of too many concepts

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Mix of integration and unit test

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Tight coupling of unit under test and dependencies

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Poor maintainability and progression

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Implicit Setup

Reusable Setup Helper

Object Mother
Test Fixture Registry

Implementation either as stateless test helper class or, in case the helper holds references to fixture or SUT objects, as stateful test helper object.

Implicit Teardown

```
1  @After
2  public void tearDown() {
3   counter.dispose();
4 }
```

Teardown is all about housekeeping and adds no information at all to a particular test

Corner Case Tests: Expected Exceptions

```
01  @Test
02  public void exeedsRange() {
    NumberRangeCounter counter = new NumberRangeCounter( LOWER_BOUND, 0 );
04
05  try {
    counter.next();
    fail();
08  } catch( IllegalStateException expected ) {
09  }
10 }
```

Traditional approach: ugly try-catch block, mix of phases

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```
1  @Test( expected = IllegalStateException.class )
2  public void exeedsRange() {
3   new NumberRangeCounter( LOWER_BOUND, ZERO_RANGE ).next();
4 }
```

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```
public class NumberRangeCounterTest {
02
      private static final int LOWER BOUND = 1000;
03
04
      @Rule
05
      public ExpectedException thrown = ExpectedException.none();
06
      @Test
08
      public void exeedsRange() {
        thrown.expect( IllegalStateException.class );
10
11
12
        new NumberRangeCounter( LOWER BOUND, 0 ).next();
13
14
15
      [...]
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ExpectedException Rule: Verification definition before execution phase

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2 public void exeedsRange() {
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4
5 Throwable actual = thrown( counter::next );
6
7 assertTrue( actual instanceof IllegalStateException );
8 }
```

Usage of a little execution utility and Java 8 Lambda expressions

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Dependencies: SUT and DOC

The tested Unit is usually referred to as system under test (SUT)

Components the SUT depends on are denoted as depended-on component (DOC)

Test related problems with DOCs

DOCs we cannot control might impede decent test verification

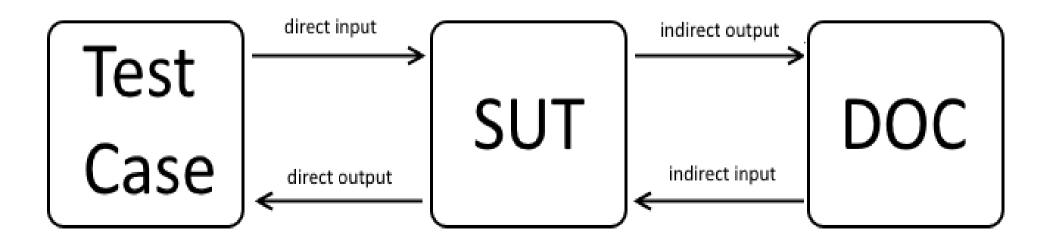
DOCs might also slow down test execution

DOC's behavior may change unexpectedly e.g. due to the usage of a newer version of a third party library

Isolation – A Unit Tester's SEP Field

Test concerns seperately and keep tests independent of each other!

Indirect Inputs and Outputs



Test Double Patterns

A unit should be designed in a way that each DOC can be replaced by a so called Test Double, which is a lightweight stand-in component for the DOC.

A DOC is provided using dependency injection or a service locator. This ensures a loosely coupled micro-architecture that allows replacement of the DOC with the test double.

```
public interface CounterStorage {
      int getNumber();
    public class CounterStorageDouble implements CounterStorage {
02
03
     private int number;
94
      public void setNumber( int number ) {
        this.number = number;
06
07
     @Override
      public int getNumber() {
        return number;
11
12
13
```

```
private CounterStorage storage;

@Before
public void setUp() {
   storage = new CounterStorageDouble();
   counter = new NumberRangeCounter( storage, LOWER_BOUND, RANGE );
}
```

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Indirect Output Verification with Spies

```
public interface CounterStorage {
    int getNumber();
    void setNumber( int number );
    }
```

The spy records the number value of the invocation in the test double's number field.

This allows to verify the indirect output as shown here:

```
public class CounterStorageMock implements CounterStorage {
02
03
      private int expectedNumber;
      private boolean done;
94
05
06
      public CounterStorageMock( int expectedNumber ) {
97
        this.expectedNumber = expectedNumber;
98
09
10
      @Override
      public void setNumber( int actualNumber ) {
11
12
        assertEquals( expectedNumber, actualNumber );
13
        done = true;
14
15
16
      public void verify() {
17
        assertTrue( done );
18
19
20
      @Override
      public int getNumber() {
        return 0;
22
23
```

What About Mocks?

```
public class CounterStorageMock implements CounterStorage {
02
03
      private int expectedNumber;
      private boolean done;
94
05
06
      public CounterStorageMock( int expectedNumber ) {
97
        this.expectedNumber = expectedNumber;
98
09
10
      @Override
      public void setNumber( int actualNumber ) {
11
        assertEquals( expectedNumber, actualNumber );
        done = true;
13
14
15
16
      public void verify() {
17
        assertTrue( done );
18
19
20
      @Override
      public int getNumber() {
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22
23
```

Behavior Verifcation

```
public class CounterStorageMock implements CounterStorage {
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                         03
                               private int expectedNumber;
                               private boolean done;
                         94
                         05
                         06
                               public CounterStorageMock( int expectedNumber ) {
                         07
                                 this.expectedNumber = expectedNumber;
                         98
                         09
                        10
                               @Override
                               public void setNumber( int actualNumber ) {
                         11
Behavior Verification
                                 assertEquals( expectedNumber, actualNumber );
                         13
                                 done = true;
                         14
                         15
                         16
                               public void verify() {
                                 assertTrue( done );
Invocation Verification
                         18
                         19
                         20
                               @Override
                               public int getNumber() {
                                 return 0;
                         22
                         23
```

Spy or Mock?

Mocks break the usual test structure

Behavior verification is somewhat hidden

but

Mocks provide a precise stacktrace to the failure cause

Test Double Frameworks

JMock, EasyMock mock based

Mockito spy based

Test Double Frameworks

66 If all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail

Proverb

Only create test doubles for types you own (indication for integration tests and an abstracting adapter layer)

A test double should not return another test double (potential violation of law of demeter)

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Suite and Categories

Use @RunWith to specify a particular test processor

```
1  @RunWith(Suite.class)
2  @SuiteClasses( {
3    NumberRangeCounterTest.class,
4    // list of test cases and other suites
5  })
6  public class AllUnitTests {}
```

Suite and Categories

Suite and Categories

```
01 // definition of the available categories
02 public interface Unit {}
   public interface Integration {}
   public interface Acceptance {}
05
06 // category assignment of a test case
   @Category(Unit.class)
   public class NumberRangeCounterTest {
     [...]
10
12 // suite definition that runs tests
   // of the category 'Unit' only
   @RunWith(Categories.class)
   @IncludeCategory(Unit.class)
16 @SuiteClasses( {
     NumberRangeCounterTest.class,
18 // list of test cases and other suites
19
   public class AllUnitTests {}
```

Parameterized Tests

Parameterized tests allow to run the same test against multiple data records provided as instance field(s) of the test case

Parameterized Tests

Parameterized Tests

Specification of the Parameterized test processor using @RunWith

```
@RunWith( Parameterized.class )
public class NumberRangeCounterTest {
    private final String message;
    private final CounterStorage storage;
    private final int lowerBound;
    private final int range;
```

Parameterized Tests

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Field initialization takes place by constructor injection. Each data record is provided by a particular collector method annotated with @Parameters

```
@Parameters
              public static Collection<Object[]> data() {
                CounterStorage dummy = mock( CounterStorage.class );
                return Arrays.asList( new Object[][] {
                  { NumberRangeCounter.ERR PARAM STORAGE MISSING, null, 0, 0 },
data records >
                  { NumberRangeCounter.ERR LOWER BOUND NEGATIVE, dummy, -1, 0 },
                   [...] // further data goes here...
              public NumberRangeCounterTest(
                String message, CounterStorage storage, int lowerBound, int range )
                this.message = message;
               this.storage = storage;
initializations >
                this.lowerBound = lowerBound;
                this.range = range;
```

JUnitParams

```
@RunWith( JUnitParamsRunner.class )
01
   public class NumberRangeCounterTest {
02
03
94
      public static Object data() {
        CounterStorage dummy = mock( CounterStorage.class );
05
        return $( $( ERR PARAM STORAGE MISSING, null, 0, 0 ),
06
                  $( ERR LOWER BOUND NEGATIVE, dummy, -1, 0 ) );
07
98
09
10
      @Test
      @Parameters( method = "data" )
11
      public void testConstructorParamValidation(
12
        String message, CounterStorage storage, int lowerBound, int range )
13
14
15
        Throwable actual = thrown( () ->
16
          new NumberRangeCounter( storage, lowerBound, range ) );
17
        assertTrue( actual instanceof IllegalArgumentException );
18
19
        assertEquals( message, actual.getMessage() );
20
21
22
      [...]
23
```

What are JUnit Rules?

Rules provide a possibility to intercept test method calls similar as an AOP framework would do.

```
public class MyTest {

@Rule
public TemporaryFolder temporaryFolder = new TemporaryFolder();

@Test
public void testRun() throws IOException {
    assertTrue( temporaryFolder.newFolder().exists() );
}
```

TemporaryFolder for example removes automatically all created files and directories after a test run.

A list of JUnit built-in Rules can be found at: https://github.com/junit-team/junit/wiki/Rules

How does it work?

```
public class MyRule implements TestRule {
02
     @Override
03
      public Statement apply( Statement base, Description description ) {
04
        return new MyStatement( base );
05
06
07
98
   public class MyStatement extends Statement {
10
11
      private final Statement base;
12
     public MyStatement( Statement base ) {
13
14
        this.base = base;
15
16
     @Override
17
      public void evaluate() throws Throwable {
18
        System.out.println( "before" );
19
20
21
          base.evaluate();
22
        } finally {
          System.out.println( "after" );
23
24
26
```

How does it work?

How does it work?

```
public class MyTest {
    @Rule
    @Rule
    public MyRule myRule = new MyRule();
    @Test
    public void testRun() {
        System.out.println( "during" );
        }
    }
}
```

Test execution produces:

before during after

Rules

How does it work?

Rules

How does it work?

```
public class MyTest {
02
     @Rule
03
     public MyFixture myFixture = new MyFixture();
94
05
     @Test
06
     @Configuration( value = "configuration1" )
     public void testRun1() {
        // do some testing here
09
10
11
     @Test
12
     @Configuration( value = "configuration2" )
     public void testRun2() {
14
      // do some testing here
15
16
```

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JUnit Assert

The built-in assertion mechanism of JUnit is provided by the class org.junit.Assert:

```
fail();
   fail( "Houston, We've Got a Problem." );
03
94
   assertNull( actual );
    assertNull( "Identifier must not be null.",
05
96
                actual ):
07
    assertTrue( counter.hasNext() );
08
    assertTrue( "Counter should have a successor.",
09
                counter.hasNext() );
10
12
    assertEquals( LOWER_BOUND, actual );
    assertEquals( "Number should be lower bound value.",
13
                  LOWER BOUND,
14
15
                  actual );
```

It is quite verbose and somewhat limited with respect to the expressiveness of assertions that require more complex predicates

Hamcrest

A third-party library that claims to provide an API for creating flexible expressions of intent is Hamcrest:

```
1 assertThat( actual, is( equalTo( IN_RANGE_NUMBER ) ) );
```

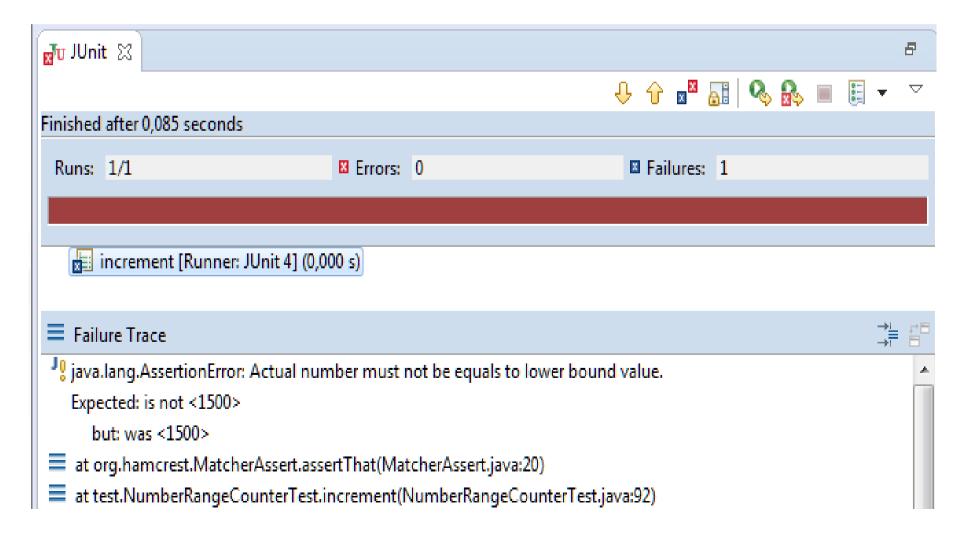
MatcherAssert.assertThat(...) evaluates the execution result (actual) against a predicate (matcher-expression)

```
1 assertThat( "Actual number must not be equals to lower bound value.",
2 actual,
3 is( not( equalTo( LOWER_BOUND ) ) ) );
```

MatcherAssert provides an overloaded assertThat method for failure message specification

Hamcrest

Hamcrest



AssertJ

The library AssertJ strives to improves verification by providing fluent assertions API:

```
1 Throwable actual = ...
2
3 assertThat( actual )
4 .isInstanceOf( IllegalArgumentException.class )
5 .hasMessage( EXPECTED_ERROR_MESSAGE );
```

Assertions.assertThat(...) verifies the execution result (actual) against fluently added conditions

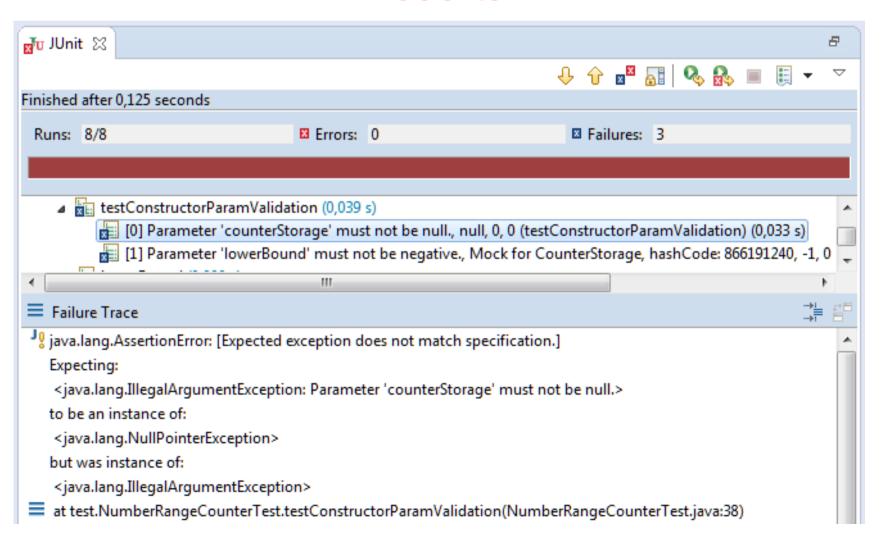
```
Throwable actual = ...

assertThat( actual )
   .describedAs( "Expected exception does not match specification." )
   .hasMessage( EXPECTED_ERROR_MESSAGE )
   .isInstanceOf( NullPointerException.class );
```

The Assert instance provides the method describeAs(String) to specify a particular failure message

AssertJ

AssertJ



Which one to use?

JUnit Assert is surely somewhat dated and less object-oriented

Hamcrest matchers provide a clean separation of assertion and predicate definition

AssertJ assertions score with a compact and easy to use programming style

Hamcrest and AssertJ support custom matchers/assertions for domain specific types

So now you are spoilt for choice...

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