# Java/JVM Testing

# **Types of test**

- Unit
- Integration
- DB
- Web
- Component
- System
- Performance/Load/Speed

- Smoke
- Regression
- User Acceptance
- Black Box
- Behavioural
- Compliance
- \_\_\_\_

# **Types of test - workshop**

Way too many to cover in one workshop - we will take a look at the following:

- Design for testing (brief)
- Unit test (JUnit including parametric test)
- Matchers (JUnit/Hamcrest/AssertJ)
- Mocking/Spying (Mockito)
- Integration (Spring)
- DB (Spring + flyway)
- Kotlin (kotest and mockk)

# **Design for testing**

- Follow SOLID well-designed code is usually easier to test
- Injection prefer constructor to setters or injected properties
- Unit tests give more value where they test logic rather than boilerplate
- Structure of a test
- Naming conventions
- Use of @VisibleForTesting <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>VisibleForTesting simply documents why access to a method or value is more open than it should be. It does nothing for enforcement - but can be used by static code analysis.

## **Injection**

Classes often have dependencies. These can be provided in several ways - e.g.:

- Constructor parameters
- Setter methods
- Annotated properties

By using constructor properties - it forces you to create a complete instance - this is good practice both for coding in general and testing - for example - the instance property can be set final.

Setter methods may or may not have been called - so you may have an incomplete object.

Annotation based properties are even worse - how do you set them from the test code without starting the annotation system (for example spring).

```
class ConstructorInjected {
    // The internal property can be final
    private final Service service;
    // In spring 4.3 - classes with a single constructor no longer need the @Autowired annotation
    public ConstructorInjected(Service service) {
        this.service = service;
class SetterInjected {
    // We lose the final marker
    private Service service;
    public void setService(Service service) {
        this.service = service;
class AnnotatedProperty {
    @Autowired
    private final Service service;
```

#### **Structure**

GivenWhenThen<sup>2</sup>

This came originally from behaviour driven development - but it applies well to most tests. The test structure is simply:

- Given set up your initial state
- When the action to be tested
- Then the expected results

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://martinfowler.com/bliki/GivenWhenThen.html

## **Naming Conventions**

- Both class and test method names are used in the test results, so they need to be descriptive.
- Certain frameworks pick files based on filename <sup>3</sup>. For example failsafe which we will see under integration tests. A common convention is <Name>Test for unit, <Name>IT for integration test (this is configurable).
- Test method names should be consistent. <sup>3</sup>
- Kotlin test method names are perhaps one of the few places where we can use this form of method naming to advantage (gives a very readable test result output):

fun `short description of the test`() {}

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Prior to annotation use this was often the way testing frameworks distinguished between tests, test suites, integration tests etc. The same applied to methods - setup, teardown and which methods were actual tests.

#### **Unit test with JUnit 5**

- The test function is marked with @Test
- We use the built-in JUnit assertEquals

Exercise 1: SimpleJunit Exercise

— Write a test (marked @Test) that uses assertEquals to test that the method calculate returns 5

## **Unit test with JUnit 5**

Example Solution: SimpleJunitTest

#### **Assertions**

There are multiple ways to assert in tests. JUnit has its inbuilt set. Some other popular libraries are Hamcrest and AssertJ.

- Hamcrest assertThat(result, equalTo(5))
- AssertJ assertThat(result).isEqualTo(5)

Which to use us a matter of personal preference and/or project standards.

#### **Exercise 2**

Investigate the different assertions available from junit, hamcrest and assertj.

- Start with a simple assertion on equality
- Investigate what other assertions are available

#### **Assertion Examples**

- SimpleJunitTest
- SimpleJunitHamcrestTest
- SimpleJunitAssertJTest

#### **Parametric**

A parametric test allows us to reuse the same test with a range of different test data sets.

The test method is annotated to tell JUnit that it is parameterized and also where to get the data from.

#### **Sources**

There's a bunch of different sources available<sup>4</sup> - some of the most common are:

- ValueSource hardcoded string in the annotation
- NullSource/EmptySource/NullAndEmptySource
- EnumSource pass each value of an enum
- MethodSource call a method returning Arguments

You can combine several sources - for example - null/empty and method - to test both with empty values and provided values

<sup>4</sup> https://junit.org/junit5/docs/current/api/org.junit.jupiter.params/org/junit/jupiter/params/provider/package-summary.html

#### **MethodSource**

- Returns a stream of Arguments
- Each Arguments contain a complete set of data for a test run:
  - input
  - expected results

#### **Exercise 3**

Modify the existing single test to be parameterized and test several calculations

# **Parametric example**

Example: SimpleParametricTest

# Unit tests in a real application

Consider a service in a database backed application. The service has a property supplied via the constructor that is a repository.

We want to test the business logic in that service class - for example a calculation.

Issue - we need to provide a full implementation of the repository to test a non-related method.

Example - we want to test the complexCalculation method in DummyJavaService

# Things to consider:

- Poor separation of concerns?
- Mocking (we'll see this later)?
- In this instance the calculation method could be static

Example: DummyJavaServiceTest

# Parametric tests in a real application

The issues here are the same as for the simple test.

Example: DummyJavaServiceParametricTest

# **Mocking**

In the above two examples - mocking is not really the solution - they should likely be refactored with SOLID in mind.

However - there are situations were mocking a dependency allows you to test a higher level component.

For example - we want to test a service - but to have test control over what the repository responds. This allows for unit testing of the service without starting up the entire application 5

<sup>5</sup>We will do this in integration testing

# **Simple Mocking example**

JUnit needs some help to allow for mocking, so we add an extension to the test class and set up our mock dependency:

```
@ExtendWith(MockitoExtension.class)
class DummyJavaServiceMockTest {
     @Mock
     DummyRepository dummyRepository;
}
```

# We can now use that repository in our tests and tell it what to do under certain conditions e.g.:

```
@Test
void testServiceBackendCheck() {
    // When the repository isUp() is called then we will return value true
    when(dummyRepository.isUp()).thenReturn(true);

    // Instantiate test service with mock repo
    DummyJavaService service = new DummyJavaService(dummyRepository);

    // Test
    Assertions.assertThat(service.backendCheck()).isTrue();
}
```

#### **Exercise 4**

Complete the tests in JavaServiceMockTest using a mocked repository

## **Mocking example**

# Examples:

- DummyJavaServiceMockTest (mockito)
- DataKotlinServiceMockkFunSpecTest (mockk and kotest funspec)

# Simple spying example - argument capture

We want to know something about an internal call that our test candidate makes.

For that we'll use argument capture.

As well as using a mocked repository we add a Captor:

@Captor
ArgumentCaptor<Long> captor;

We can use this when configuring the mock to capture an argument value:

```
when(repository.findById(captor.capture()))
    .thenReturn(Optional.of(new DataJava(1L, "qwerty")));
```

And we can test that this was in fact called with the correct value:

```
Assertions.assertThat(captor.getValue()).isEqualTo(1L);
```

#### **Exercise 5**

Complete the tests in JavaServiceMockTest to check the passed argument to findByID using ArgumentCaptor

## **Captor example**

Example: DataJavaServiceMockTest

Captor is used in testSingle()

#### **Verification**

We can also check that certain expectations match - how many times a mocked method is called, order of calls etc.

For the previous example - we can verify that the findById method is called only once:

```
verify(repository, times(1)).findById(any());
```

Here we use any() as matcher - we could also choose to verify with a concrete parameter value.

In kotlin with mockk you can also check that *all* mocks have been verified (in other words you have not called a mocked endpoint without verifying it):

```
verify(exactly = 1) { repository.findById(any()) }
confirmVerified() // with no params - verify all mocks have been verified
```

# **Integration tests**

These are tests that spin up the application and test it under a running condition.

Different build systems use different ways to signal test types.

For this course we will simply run all tests to keep it simple.

#### Maven

For example - in maven we usually use surefire plugin for normal tests but failsafe for integration tests - and these use filenames to distinguish.

For example - one of the default filename matchers for failsafe is \*\*IT.java. You can also specify different directories etc.

#### **Gradle**

Gradle uses sourceSets to handle this with the ability to set includes and excludes.

# **Integration with spring**

For integration tests with spring we can use:

@ExtendWith(SpringExtension.class)

This annotation also allows us to specify what spring configuration we want to use.

We will actually use this for the DB tests later on - but as we are using spring boot - we can use the spring boot annotation that applies this extension as well as bootstrapping spring boot for us:

@SpringBootTest

Example: DummyJavaServiceIT

# **Spring boot with MockMvc**

Spring boot test provides us with a mock mvc engine to test web calls to controllers.

Annotate the test class:

@SpringBootTest
@AutoConfigureMockMvc

and you get a MockMvc object you can use to call your application.

Example: DummyJavaControllerIT

# **DB** testing

For this we will use h2 in memory db and flyway for db migrations.

The migrations are under src/main/resources rather than src/test/resources so that we can click around in the online db interface. However - you can use src/test/resources for test only data.

#### **DB** Console

Start the TestApplication then head to

http://localhost:8080/h2

JDBC URL: jdbc:h2:mem:testdb

Username: sa

Password: empty

## **DB** Repository test

# We will use two annotations for this:

```
@ExtendWith(SpringExtension.class)
@DataJpaTest
```

# Inject the repository you want to test:

```
@Autowired
private DataJavaRepository repository;
```

## **Exercise 6**

— Data JPA Exercise

## **Example JPA test**

Example: DataJavaRepositoryIT - this uses junit assertions

#### **Kotlin**

Kotlin can be used to create all the tests we have seen so far - e.g. compare:

- DataJavaRepositoryIT
- DataKotlinRepositoryIT

The same annotations and injection of repository is used. The only difference here is that we used kotest matchers rather than JUnit assertions.

# **Kotest Specs**

Kotest also has multiple styles (specs) to choose between.

For the list (10 as of when this was written) see styles.md<sup>6</sup>

We'll take a look at FunSpec.

Example: DummyJavaServiceFunSpecTest

This is not quite the simplest structure - it uses init rather than the FunSpec constructor - but that allows for the beforeTest setup call.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://github.com/kotest/kotest/blob/master/doc/styles.md

#### **Kotest with Mockk**

Kotlin can also use Mockito and similar java mock libraries - but there is a nice kotlin one called mockk.

Two examples - one mock tests the DummyJavaService and the other the DataKotlinService:

- DummyJavaServiceMockkFunSpecTest
- DataKotlinServiceMockkFunSpecTest

# **Maven testing**

There are three main sets of configuration in the pom.xml file.

- Surefire plugin runs unit tests
- Failsafe plugin runs integration tests
- Jacoco generates code coverage

Surefire will run under mvn test, and failsafe under mvn verify 7

Jacoco sets itself up under pre-integration-test and builds the result in post-integration-test so will also be triggered by verify.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>https://maven.apache.org/guides/introduction/introduction-to-the-lifecycle.html

# **Gradle testing**

Gradle allows you to configure different sourceSets for different types of tests.

Currently - the new test suites functionality is marked as Incubating - so is not entirely fixed.

# **CI** testing

There are multiple JVM supporting continuous integration systems available - bamboo, jenkins etc. - but since this repo is on GitHub - it's set up with a GitHub action.

Example: .github/workflows/CI.yml

In a devops environment we prefer CIs that support configuration as code (GitHub action workflows, Jenkinsfile etc.) where the build config is under change control - rather than set up in the CI interface manually.