

assertNotSame() method

This lesson demonstrates how to use assertNotSame method in JUnit 5 to assert test conditions.

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assertNotSame() method

Assertions API provide static `assertNotSame()` method. This method helps us in validating that `expected` and `actual` do not refer to the exact same object. JUnit uses `==` operator to perform this assert.

- If the actual and expected value refers to the same object then the test case will fail.
- If the actual and expected value does not refer to the same object then the test case will pass.

There are basically three useful overloaded methods for assertNotSame:-

```
1 public static void assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual) {
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3 public static void assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual,
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5 public static void assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual,
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```



Demo

Let's look into the usage of the above methods:-

```
1 package io.educative.junit5;
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3 import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.assertNotSame;
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```



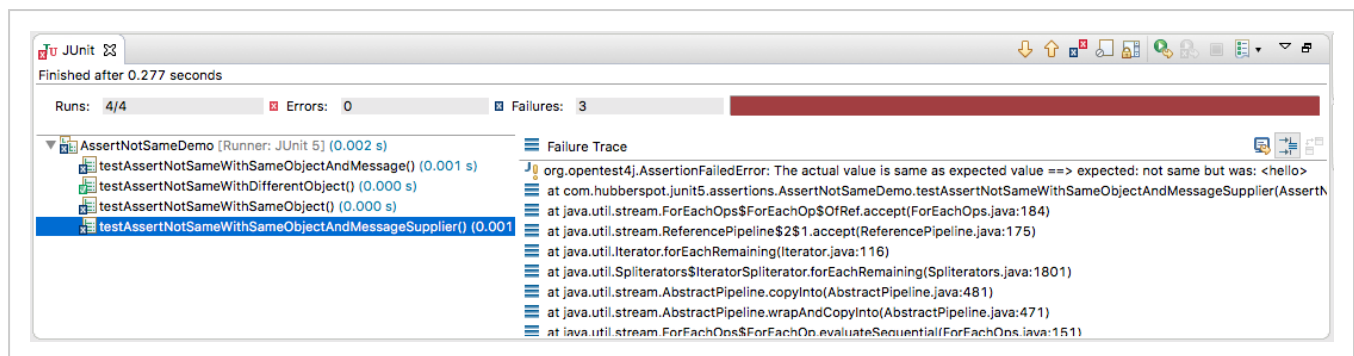
```

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5 import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
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7 public class AssertNotSameDemo {
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9     @Test
10    public void testAssertNotSameWithDifferentObject() {
11        String actual = "hello";
12        String expected = "hell";
13        assertNotSame(expected, actual);
14    }
15
16    @Test
17    public void testAssertNotSameWithSameObject() {
18        String actual = "hello";
19        String expected = "hello";
20        assertNotSame(expected, actual);
21    }
22
23    @Test
24    public void testAssertNotSameWithSameObjectAndMessage() {
25        String actual = "hello";
26        String expected = "hello";
27        assertNotSame(expected, actual, "The actual value is same as expected value");
28    }
29
30    @Test
31    public void testAssertNotSameWithSameObjectAndMessageSupplier() {

```



Run AssertNotSameDemo class as JUnit Test.



Explanation -

In the AssertNotSameDemo class, there are 4 @Test methods. These 4 methods demonstrate the working of the above 3 overloaded methods of

assertNotSame :-

1. **testAssertNotSameWithDifferentObject** - It asserts that actual value does not refer to same expected object. Here, the expected value and actual value passed to **assertNotSame()** are **hell** and **hello**. Thus, it passes the

Junit test case because `assertNotSame` finds actual and expected objects not same.

2. `testAssertNotSameWithSameObject` - It asserts that actual value does not refer to same expected object. Here, the expected value and actual value passed to `assertNotSame()` is `hello`. Thus, it fails the Junit test case with `AssertionFailedError`: expected: not same but was: <hello> because 'hello' and 'hello' are same String objects.
3. `testAssertNotSameWithSameObjectAndMessage` - It asserts that actual value does not refer to same expected object. Here, the expected value and actual value passed to `assertNotSame()` is `hello`. Thus, it fails the Junit test case with `AssertionFailedError`: The actual value is same as expected value ==> expected: not same but was: <hello> because 'hello' and 'hello' are same String objects. It gives `AssertionFailedError` followed by `String message` we provide to `assertNotSame()` method.
4. `testAssertNotSameWithSameObjectAndMessageSupplier` - It asserts that actual value does not refer to same expected object. Here, the expected value and actual value passed to `assertNotSame()` is `hello`. Thus, it fails the Junit test case with `AssertionFailedError`: The actual value is same as expected value ==> expected: not same but was: <hello> because hello and hello are same String objects. It gives `AssertionFailedError` followed by lazily evaluated `String message` we provide to `assertNotSame()` method, as lambda expression.

In the next lesson, we will look into `assertArrayEquals()` and `assertIterableEquals()` assertions.