

Java Best Practices

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Table 1. History

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1. Useful Java libraries

1.1. Mockito / PowerMockito

Usage for static classes

1.2. OpenPojo: Auto test Pojo classes for coverage



https://github.com/OpenPojo/openpojo

OpenPojo au tests Pojo classes, especially getters and setters. Very handy for large beans / auto generated classes for whom testing is boring.

Usage

```
import com.openpojo.reflection.filters.FilterNonConcrete;
import com.openpojo.validation.Validator;
import com.openpojo.validation.ValidatorBuilder;
import com.openpojo.validation.test.impl.GetterTester;
import com.openpojo.validation.test.impl.SetterTester;
public class OpenPojoTest {
    public static void validateBeans(String javaPackage) {
        Validator validator = ValidatorBuilder.create().with(new SetterTester()).with(new GetterTester()).build();
        //exclude enums, abstracts, interfaces
        validator.validateRecursively(javaPackage, new FilterNonConcrete());
    @Test 1
    public void testPojoRecursiv() {
        validateBeans("my.full.java.package.with.sub.packages");
   }
    @Test (2)
    public void testExludingSomeClasses() {
        List<PojoClass> listOfPojoClassInDto = PojoClassFactory.getPojoClasses("my.full.java.package.with.sub.packages",
null);
        listOfPojoClassInDto.remove(PojoClassFactory.getPojoClass(SomeSpecialClassNotToTest.class));
        validator.validate(listOfPojoClassInDto);
}
```

1 Fully recursive example

Maven dependency

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>com.openpojo</groupId>
    <artifactId>openpojo</artifactId>
    <version>0.8.6</version>
    <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
```

1.3. SLF4J: Abstract logging

Maven dependencies

```
<dependency>
   <groupId>org.slf4j
   <artifactId>slf4j-api</artifactId>
   <version>1.7.21
</dependency>
<dependency>
   <groupId>org.slf4j
   <artifactId>jcl-over-slf4j</artifactId>
   <version>1.7.21
</dependency>
<dependency>
   <groupId>org.apache.logging.log4j/groupId>
   <artifactId>log4j-api</artifactId>
   <version>2.7</version>
</dependency>
<dependency>
   <groupId>org.apache.logging.log4j/groupId>
   <artifactId>log4j-core</artifactId>
   <version>2.7</version>
</dependency>
<dependency>
   <groupId>org.apache.logging.log4j/groupId>
   <artifactId>log4j-slf4j-impl</artifactId>
   <version>2.7</version>
</dependency>
```

1.4. Aspect4log: Logging functions starts/stops with inputs/outputs



See http://aspect4log.sourceforge.net

Use Aspect4Log, which logs functions start/stop with inputs/outputs using AOP.

Result log example

```
07-31_14:13:48.491 DEBUG org.a.utils.ConfigUtils
                                                       - > getParameter(test)
07-31_14:13:48.491 DEBUG org.a.utils.wmcall.WmHelper
                                                      - > getPackageName(true)
07-31_14:13:48.492 DEBUG g.a.utils.wmcall.WmCallEclipse - >
                                                               getPackageName(true)
07-31_14:13:48.492 DEBUG g.a.utils.wmcall.WmCallEclipse - .
                                                                   getPackageName(true) -> DEFAULT
07-31_14:13:48.492 DEBUG org.a.utils.wmcall.WmHelper - .
                                                               getPackageName(true) -> DEFAULT
07-31_14:13:48.492 DEBUG org.a.utils.ConfigUtils
                                                       - > getParameter(DEFAULT, test)
07-31_14:13:48.505 DEBUG org.a.utils.ConfigUtils
                                                               getParameter(DEFAULT, test) -> (null)
07-31_14:13:48.506 DEBUG org.a.utils.ConfigUtils
                                                       - . getParameter(test) -> (null)
```

LOGGER declaration

```
import net.sf.aspect4log.Log;
import static net.sf.aspect4log.Log.Level.TRACE;
@Log 1
public class FooDao {
   public void tooLowLevelFunction(){ ②
      //[...]
   @Log(enterLevel = Level.TRACE, exitLevel = Level.TRACE) 3
   public void delete(String foo) {
      //[...]
   @Log(argumentsTemplate = "[...skipped...]", resultTemplate = "[...skipped...]") @
   public void find(String bigXML) {
      //[...]
   public void saveOrUpdate(String foo) {
      //[...]
}
```

- ① @Log on a class will affect every methods not annotated
- ② So this method will be logged, in DEBUG by default
- 3 Lower the level to TRACE if some methods pollute the logs
- 4 You can skip only the arguments/results if they are too verbose
- ⑤ Some advanced functionnality are available, see the website

For runtime, have log4j & aspect4log configuration files in the classpath, examples: link:log4j2.xml & link:aspect4log.xml.

```
<dependencies>
   <!-- for @Log -->
   <dependency>
       <groupId>net.sf.aspect4log/groupId>
       <artifactId>aspect4log</artifactId>
       <version>1.0.7
   </dependency>
   <!-- AspectJ for instrumentation -->
   <dependency>
       <groupId>org.aspectj/groupId>
       <artifactId>aspectjrt</artifactId>
       <version>1.8.9
   </dependency>
   <dependency>
       <groupId>org.aspectj/groupId>
       <artifactId>aspectjtools</artifactId>
       <version>1.8.9
   </dependency>
</dependencies>
<plugins>
   <plugin>
       <groupId>org.codehaus.mojo
       <artifactId>aspectj-maven-plugin</artifactId>
       <version>1.7</version>
       <executions>
           <execution>
               <goals>
                   <goal>compile</goal>
               </goals>
           </execution>
       </executions>
       <configuration>
           <showWeaveInfo>false</showWeaveInfo>
           <Xlint>adviceDidNotMatch=ignore,noGuardForLazyTjp=ignore</Xlint>
           <aspectLibraries>
               <aspectLibrary>
                   <groupId>net.sf.aspect4log/groupId>
                   <artifactId>aspect4log</artifactId>
               </aspectLibrary>
           </aspectLibraries>
       </configuration>
       <dependencies>
           <dependency>
               <groupId>org.aspectj/groupId>
               <artifactId>aspectjtools</artifactId>
               <version>1.8.9
           </dependency>
       </dependencies>
   </plugin>
</plugins>
```

1.5. Log methods duration

1.5.1. using JCabi @Loggable



See https://aspects.jcabi.com/annotation-loggable.html

With AOP, get selected methods duration:

```
2016-10-11 14:22:52.716 [main] INFO PERFORMANCES - #setTestMode(...): in 30,51ms
2016-10-11 14:22:52.857 [main] INFO PERFORMANCES - #setTestMode(...): in 1,20ms
```

Loggable example

```
@Loggable(skipArgs = true, skipResult = true, name = "PERFORMANCES")
public static void topLevelJarFunction(IData pipeline) throws ServiceException {
    //[...]
}
```

1.6. JUnit tricks

1.6.1. JUnit 4.9+: Real time status and duration

Sometimes on JUnit test classes, executions are very long, so it can be nice to see in real time which test is running. Here is what you could expect :

```
Running cg.msg.tracker.ui.MainFrameIT
11:23:37.814 [main] DEBUG TEST - Running aboutTest...
11:23:38.503 [main] DEBUG TEST - ...OK in 0.689S
11:25:17.561 [main] DEBUG TEST - Running updateLAFTryNextTest...
11:25:20.865 [main] DEBUG TEST - ...OK in 3.304S
Tests run: 2, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 103.443 sec - in cg.msg.tracker.ui.MainFrameIT
```

And here is how you do it.

Inner Class in your test class

```
/**
 * The Class LogTestName.
 */
public static class LogTestRule extends TestWatcher {
    Instant startingDate = Instant.now();
    @Override
    protected void failed(Throwable e, Description description) {
        LOGGER.debug("...KO [" + e.getMessage() + "]");
    }
    @Override
    protected void starting(Description description) {
        LOGGER.debug("Running {}...", description.getMethodName());
        startingDate = Instant.now();
    }
    @Override
    protected void succeeded(Description description) {
        LOGGER.debug("...OK in " + Duration.between(startingDate, Instant.now()).toString().substring(2));
    }
}
```

Declare it's usage in the class with with @Rule

```
@Rule
public LogTestRule logTestRule = new LogTestRule());
```

1.6.2. JUnit 4.9+: Retry on error

You could want to retry test on error a fixed number of time. And the retry mecanism could require some custom clean up. Here we will combine this rule and the previous one. Si you could expect this:

```
16:48:35.176 [main] DEBUG TEST - Running buttonsTest...
[WARNING] buttonsTest(cg.msg.tracker.ui.ConnectionIT): Run 1 failed [Condition with alias 'broker radio button should be selected' didn't complete within 30 seconds because condition with lambda expression in cg.msg.tracker.ui.utils.ParentAssertJTestCase that uses org.assertj.swing.fixture.JRadioButtonFixture was not fulfilled.]
16:49:21.574 [main] DEBUG TEST - ...OK in 46.394S
16:49:21.665 [main] DEBUG TEST - Running connectionInfoZoneTextTest...
16:49:55.874 [main] DEBUG TEST - ...OK in 0.714S
Tests run: 7, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 85.826 sec - in cg.msg.tracker.ui.ConnectionIT
```

And here is how you do it.

Inner Class in your test class

```
* The Class RetryRule.
public static class RetryRule implements TestRule {
    private final static int TRY_COUNT = 3;
    @Override
    public Statement apply(Statement base, Description description) {
        return statement(base, description);
    private Statement statement(final Statement base, final Description description) {
        return new Statement() {
            @Override
            public void evaluate() throws Throwable {
                Throwable caughtThrowable = null;
                // implement retry logic here
                for (int i = 0; i < TRY_COUNT; i++) {</pre>
                    try {
                        base.evaluate();
                        return;
                    } catch (Throwable t) {
                        caughtThrowable = t;
                        // [WARNING] for a colorful Jenkins build
                        System.out.println("[WARNING] " + description.getDisplayName() + ": Run " + (i + 1)
                                + " failed [" + t.getMessage() + "]");
                        LOGGER.warn(CgException.prettyPrint(t));
                        commonAfterClass();
                        commonBeforeClass();
                    }
                }
                // [ERROR] for a colorful Jenkins build
                System.out.println("[ERROR] " + description.getDisplayName() + ": Giving up after " + TRY_COUNT
                        + " failures.");
                throw caughtThrowable;
            }
        };
    }
```

@Rulle

public RuleChain chain = RuleChain.outerRule(new LogTestName()).around(new RetryRule());

2. Best practices

2.1. Java

2.1.1. Java packages & classes naming

- Best package organization is by fonctionnality first, and then technically when many classes of the same type
- Always put classes in subpackage of the project
 - If a java project is bar-a-b, all packages are mycorp.bar.a.b.*
- Don't use different packages for a few classes, regroup them (if below or equal 3 classes by package)
- Don't put in the class name what is already in the package name, except for too generic file name

Some naming conventions

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/3226282/are-there-best-practices-for-java-package-organisation http://www.javapractices.com/topic/TopicAction.do?Id=205

Some widely used examples

http://commons.apache.org/proper/commons-lang/javadocs/api-2.6/overview-tree.html https://commons.apache.org/proper/commons-lang/apidocs/overview-tree.html

2.1.2. Java 7 try with closable objects

Before Java 7, you had to close() streams and other closable objects in a try/catch/finally. Now Java handles everything if you use the right pattern :

try-with-resource

```
try (
    ZipOutputStream zos = new ZipOutputStream(new FileOutputStream(dstDirectory + "/" + fileName + ".zip"));
    FileInputStream in = new FileInputStream(foundFile.getAbsolutePath())
    ) {
        ZipEntry ze = new ZipEntry(fileName);
        zos.putNextEntry(ze);

    int len;
    while ((len = in.read(buffer)) > 0) {
            zos.write(buffer, 0, len);
    }

    if (delete)
            foundFile.delete();
} catch (IOException e) {
        LOGGER.error("Unable to zip or delete the file=" + srcDirectory + "/" + fileName + ", dest=" + dstDirectory, e);
        throw e;
}
```

2.1.3. Static Java Maps

When a **Map** is static (and then accessed by multiple threads), declare it Map and instantiate it **ConcurrentHashMap**:

Thread-safe Map

```
Map<a,b> myMap == new ConcurrentHashMap<>();
```

Idem for a **Set** but this is a bit tricky:

Thread-safe Set

```
Set<String>
mySet = Collections.newSetFromMap(new ConcurrentHashMap<String,Boolean>());
```

2.1.4. Init on demand

For objects used by static functions, try to initialize them only once and do it in thread safe mode.

Init on demand pattern

```
public class Something {
    private Something() {}

    private static class LazyHolder {
        private static final Something INSTANCE = new Something();
    }

    public static Something getInstance() {
        return LazyHolder.INSTANCE;
    }
}
```

2.1.5. Enums and Strings

```
package cg.wm.utils;
* The Enum CgPackage.
public enum CgPackage {
   /** The default. */
   DEFAULT("DEFAULT"),
    /** The cg utils. */
   CG_UTILS("CgUtils"),
   /** The cg elastic. */
   CG_ELASTIC("CgElastic");
    /** The internal string. */
   private String str;
    * Instantiates a new package.
    * @param str the str
    private CgPackage(String str) {
       this.str = str;
    * From string.
    * @param input the input
    * @return the package
    st @throws IllegalArgumentException the illegal argument exception
    public static CgPackage fromString(String input) throws IllegalArgumentException {
        for (CgPackage p : CgPackage.values()) {
            if (p.str().equals(input)) {
                return p;
        throw new IllegalArgumentException("Unknown package=" + input);
   }
    * Custom, short-named toString().
    * Don't use defaults name() or toString(), they'll give the strict enum name
    * @return the string
    public String str() {
        return this.str;
}
```

3. Appendix

3.1. Revision marks

Differences since last tag