JUnit Testing

- Objectives when we have completed this set of notes, you should be familiar with:
 - How to test your program in interactions
 - Concepts of Unit testing
 - How to write JUnit tests in jGRASP
 - The assertEquals and assertArrayEquals methods

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Testing: The Basics

- Remember the following terminology:
 - Failure: An undesired (incorrect) result produced by the software.
 - Fault (or Defect): the underlying cause of the failure (a "bug" or "error" in your code).
- The purpose of <u>testing</u> is to identify <u>failures</u> so that the underlying faults (or defects) can be removed.
- <u>Debugging</u> is the process of removing a fault. (Note that debugging occurs after a failure has revealed the existence of a fault.)

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- **Unit Testing**: testing one unit or component at a time. (e.g., testing a class and its methods)
- Integration Testing: testing the interfaces among components (classes/methods) in a software system with multiple components.
- **System Testing**: testing the entire software system to make sure it meets the customer's requirements and expectations. (i.e. checking the driver program's output).
- Our focus will be on Unit Testing.

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Testing: The Basics

- Consider <u>Triangle2</u>. (see <u>Triangle3</u> for solution)
- To perform unit tests on the getClassification() method, you could execute something like the following code in interactions (or similar code in a driver program):

```
Triangle2 t1 = new Triangle2(5, 5, 5);
t1.getClassification()
equilateral
Triangle2 t2 = new Triangle2(5, 7, 5);
t2.getClassification()
scalene
```

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Testing: The Basics

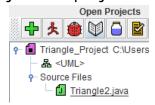
- If you've been testing your classes in interactions, you may have noticed some drawbacks:
 - It can become tedious. Change code -> end interactions, recompile -> re-do the interactions.
 - Changes to one method necessitate re-testing other methods as well -> re-doing even more interactions.
- What if there was a way to write a few simple statements, save them as a test, and then be able to rerun all the saved tests with one click?
- There is! The JUnit framework.



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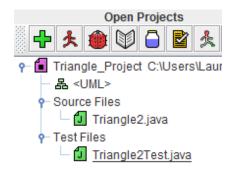
 Make sure that all of your program's files are in a ¡GRASP project.



 To set up a test file, open the class that you want to test, then click the Create Test File button:



• You'll now see a Triangle2Test file in the project:



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- In the test file, delete the @Before method and the org.junit.Before import (we will not cover @Before, but you can use it if you wish).
- Also delete the contents of the defaultTest method for now.

```
public class Triangle2Test {
    /** A test that always fails. **/
    @Test public void defaultTest() {
    }
}
```

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 Suppose that we want to make sure that an equilateral triangle is correctly classified. First, change the Javadoc and method header to describe the test:

```
/** Tests an equilateral classification. **/
    @Test public void equilateralTest() {
```

 Note that the @Test tag makes the method a test case; public void is required; you get to choose the method name



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 Now add code in the method to set up an equilateral triangle (just like you would in interactions:

```
/** Tests an equilateral classification. **/
@Test public void equilateralTest() {
    Triangle2 t = new Triangle2(5, 5, 5);
}
```

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AssertEquals

- To test the method, you can in invoke the AssertEquals method. This method will report a failure if the expected value (i.e., the correct value) does not match the actual value (e.g., your method's return value).
- When comparing integer values or objects, you can use one of following forms of assertEquals:

```
Assert.assertEquals(expected, actual);
Assert.assertEquals(error msg, expected, actual);
```

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- In our example, we are testing the getClassification method to make sure that its return value is equilateral for our 5, 5, 5 triangle.
 - Expected value: "equilateral"
 - Actual value: t.getClassification()
- Add the following code to your method:

```
Assert.assertEquals("equilateral",
               t.getClassification());
```

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AssertEquals

· Compile and run your test. If the output is OK, then your test passed.



 The method was correct for a triangle with sides: 5, 5, 5

```
JUnit version 4.9b2
Time: 0.004
OK (1 test)
```



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Add a method to test the isosceles output:

```
/** Tests isosceles classification. **/
    @Test public void isoscelesTest() {
      Triangle2 t = new Triangle2(5, 7, 5);
      Assert.assertEquals("isosceles",
         t.getClassification());
```

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· Also add a method to test the scalene classification AFTER setSides is invoked (to check for errors in setSides):

```
@Test public void scaleneAfterSetTest() {
  Triangle2 t = new Triangle2(5, 7, 5);
  t.setSides(3, 4, 5);
  Assert.assertEquals("scalene",t.getClassification());
```

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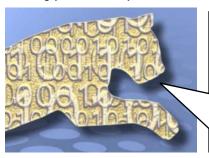
When you run the method, it fails!

```
org.junit.ComparisonFailure:
  expected:<[isosceles]> but was:<[scalene]>
```

- Looking closely, you discover that there is a logic error in the source code on line 32.
- After you make the change, the scaleneAfterSetTest method fails due to a logic error in the setSides method.

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- Take a look at the scaleneTest method; it includes an error message in the output if the scalene method is incorrect.
- This type of output should be familiar...



Someone writes JUnit tests so that I can grade your projects. Otherwise, you wouldn't have the opportunity to raise your grade with multiple submissions!

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Other Assert Methods

 As previously stated, if you wish to compare Strings or integers, then use the following:

Assert.assertEquals(expected, actual);

· To test floats or doubles:

Assert.assertEquals(expected, actual, delta);

 Delta is the number of decimal points that you want to compare; for example, 0.0001 compares two doubles to 4 decimal places

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Other Assert Methods

· To test arrays:

Assert.assertArrayEquals(expected, actual);

 You may also have to get creative when testing methods like toString. Suppose we only wanted to make sure that toString contains the word scalene:

```
boolean hasExp = t.toString().contains("scalene");
Assert.assertTrue(hasExp);
```

For details on all assert methods see:

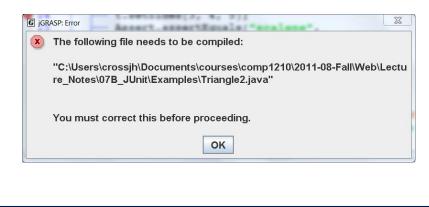
http://www.junit.org/apidocs/org/junit/Assert.html



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Errors

• If you get this error message then you need to recompile the project before running the test:



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Errors

• If you get compiler errors like the one below,

Triangle2Test.java:1: package org.junit does not exist

then you may need to:

- Make sure the project is open.
- Make sure the test file is in the project.
- If the test file is in the Source Files category of the Project, Right-click the test file and choose "Mark as Test" to move it into the Test Files category

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