

# Unit Testing in Java Using the AAA Pattern

## Objective:

To demonstrate the use of the AAA (Arrange-Act-Assert) pattern in Java unit testing using JUnit 5 by testing a simple Multiplier class.

## 1. Introduction to AAA Pattern

The AAA pattern is a widely adopted structure for writing unit tests. It stands for:

- **Arrange:** Prepare the necessary preconditions and inputs.
- **Act:** Perform the actual work or call the method to be tested.
- **Assert:** Verify that the outcome is as expected.

This approach improves test readability, organization, and maintainability.

## 2. Multiplier.java

```
public class Multiplier {  
    public int multiply(int a, int b) {  
        return a * b;  
    }  
  
    public int square(int a) {  
        return a * a;  
    }  
}
```

This class contains two simple mathematical methods:

- `multiply(int a, int b)`: Returns the product of two integers.
- `square(int a)`: Returns the square of a single integer.

## 3. MultiplierTest.java

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;  
import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.assertEquals;  
  
public class MultiplierTest {  
  
    @Test  
    public void testMultiply() {  
        // Arrange  
        Multiplier multiplier = new Multiplier();  
        int a = 4;  
        int b = 3;  
        int expected = 12;  
  
        // Act  
        int result = multiplier.multiply(a, b);  
  
        // Assert  
        assertEquals(expected, result, "4 multiplied by 3 should be 12");  
    }  
}
```

```
@Test
public void testSquare() {
    // Arrange
    Multiplier multiplier = new Multiplier();
    int a = 5;
    int expected = 26; // Incorrect value intentionally for demonstration

    // Act
    int result = multiplier.square(a);

    // Assert
    assertEquals(expected, result, "Square of 5 should be 25");
}
}
```

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#### 4. Explanation of Test Cases

- **testMultiply()**
  - Arrange: Inputs 4 and 3, expected result 12
  - Act: Calls multiply(4, 3)
  - Assert: Compares the result with 12. This test will pass.
- **testSquare()**
  - Arrange: Input 5, expected result mistakenly set to 26
  - Act: Calls square(5) which returns 25
  - Assert: Compares 25 with 26. This test will fail.

This failure highlights the role of assertions and how incorrect expectations are flagged during test execution.

