Unit Testing with JUnit

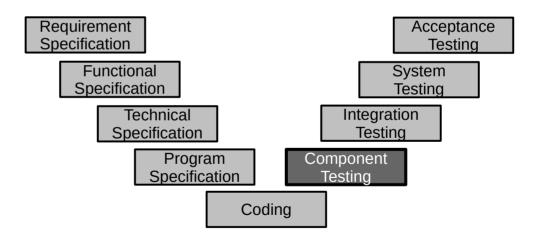
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Definition Unit Testing

- Recap
- Unit = Component (in our context)
- Often classes are seen as units



Example of Test Harness

- JUnit (Java Unit Testing Framework)
 - A test harness implemented as an object-oriented testing framework
 - Supports tests and test suites, set-ups, tear-downs, etc.
 - Small and simple, easy to learn
 - Well-supported by tools / integrated into IDEs like Eclipse

JUnit popularized unit testing: "Never in the field of software development have so many owed so much to so few lines of code." [M07]

JUnit Information

- Available from http://junit.org
 - Comes as pre-installed plug-in with Eclipse and most other IDEs
 - See course literature for an introduction to JUnit
- Version history of JUnit
 - Prior to JUnit 4 conventions rather than annotations
 - Wahlzeit uses JUnit 4
- JUnit 5
 - Is the new major version of the testing framework
 - Is a complete rewrite of JUnit 4
 - Provides new foundation for developer-side testing on the JVM
 - Uses Java 8 features, for example, lambdas
 - Has a modular concept, imports only what is needed

JUnit Example: Component Under Test

 Scheduler for tasks that are triggered the first time on a certain point in time and then in a defined fix interval

JUnit Example: Simple Unit Tests (1/2)

- Annotate test method with @Test
- Conventions:
 - Containing class name ends with 'Test'
 - Test methods start with 'test'
 - File locations depend on build tool, e.g. Gradle
 - Sources: \$project/src/main/java
 - Tests: \$project/src/test/java
 - Test package hierarchy should mirror the main hierarchy

JUnit Example: Simple Unit Tests (2/2)

- Assertions for checking the results
- Explicit assertions / failures in code
 - assert(...)
 - fail(...)
- Annotations with expected results
 - @Test(expected = SomeException.class)
 - @Test(timeout = 500)

3A Pattern

- 1. Arrange
- 2. Act (execute)
- 3. Assert (check)

Test Results

1) Pass

2) Fail

a) Program is defectb) Test is defect

3) Test execution error

JUnit Static Test Setup & Teardown

- Setting up / tearing down test environment for every test in a class
 - @Before
 - @After
- Setting up / tearing down test environment once for all tests in a class
 - @BeforeClass
 - @AfterClass

JUnit Dynamic Test Setup & Teardown

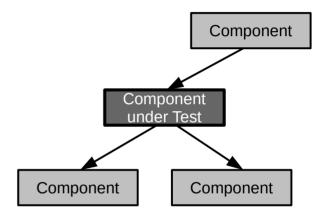
- Reusable Setup and Teardown
- TestRule
 - e.g. TmpDir Rule
 - Temporary directory that is cleared after each test case
 - Rule chain supports composition of test rules
 - Rule chain lines up test rules in sequence
 - Fluid programming style chains methods
 - Use @Rule and @ClassRule analogous to @Before and @BeforeClass
- ExternalResource
 - More complex set-ups to be run once or only a few times
 - Applies, for example, to heavyweight database set-up

Changes in JUnit Versions

- Tests are implemented in test classes
 - JUnit 3.8 or before
 - Start test method name with "test"
 - End test class name with "Test"
 - JUnit 4
 - Annotate test method with @Test
 - Annotate set-up methods with @Before and @BeforeClass
 - Annotate tear-down methods with @After and @AfterClass
 - End class name with Test (optional)
 - JUnit 5
 - Annotate test method with @Test
 - Annotate set-up methods with @BeforeEach and @BeforeAll
 - Annotate tear-down methods with @AfterEach and @AfterAll
 - End class name with Test (optional)

Test Drivers and Test Doubles

- Components are part of a dependency graph
- We need to isolate components in order to test them as a single unit
- Using components as inspiration for test drivers (calling the component under test)
- Used components need to be replaced by test doubles



Isolating Units with Test Doubles

- Test Doubles
 - Object or component that we install in place of the real component for a test
- Dummy Object
 - Placeholder object that is passed to the SUT as an argument (or an attribute of an argument) but is never actually used
- Test Stub
 - Replaces component that SUT depends on, configure indirect inputs to the SUT
- Mock Object
 - Test Stub + ability to verify inputs of the SUT by behaviour expectation
- Test Spy
 - Test Stub + ability to verify inputs of the SUT by recording calls to the spy that can be verified
- Fake Object
 - Replaces component with an alternative implementation of the same functionality

Mockito

- Available from https://site.mockito.org/
- Serves a variety of testing double functionality
 - Stubbing
 - Mocking
 - Spying
 - Etc.
- Easy syntax to create test doubles
- Easy syntax to verify test double behaviour
- Interacts very well with JUnit

Mockito Example: Component under Test



Mockito Example

- Mock creation with static mock method or with @Mock annotation
- Behaviour specification with static when method
- Behaviour verification with static verify method

Inversion of Control

Thank you! Questions?

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