

JUnit





Test suites

- Obviously you have to test your code to get it working in the first place
 - You can do *ad hoc* testing (testing whatever occurs to you at the moment), or
 - You can build a **test suite** (a thorough set of tests that can be run at any time)
- Disadvantages of writing a test suite
 - It's a lot of extra programming
 - *True*—but use of a good **test framework** can help quite a bit
 - You don't have time to do all that extra work
 - *False*—Experiments repeatedly show that test suites reduce debugging time more than the amount spent building the test suite
- Advantages of having a test suite
 - Your program will have many fewer bugs
 - It will be a **lot** easier to maintain and modify your program
 - This is a *huge* win for programs that, unlike class assignments, get actual use!



Example: Old way vs. new way

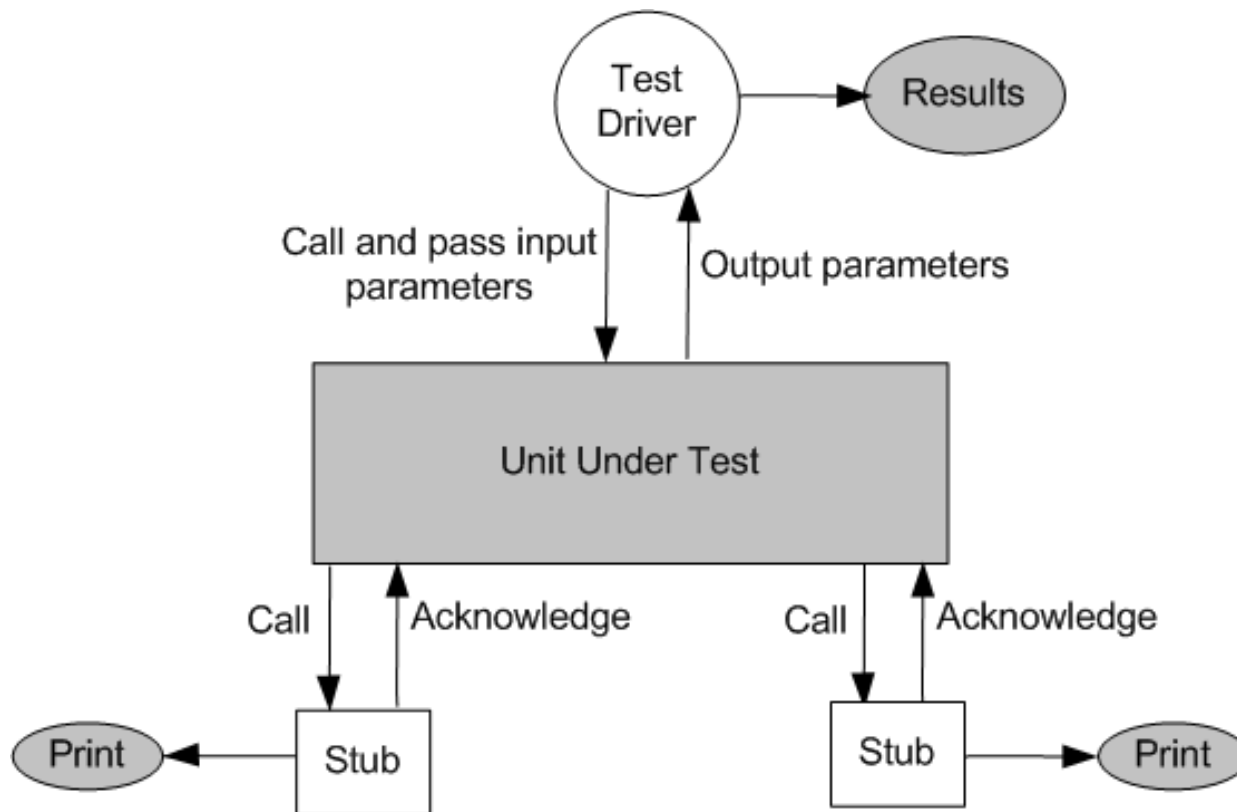
- ```
int max(int a, int b) {
 if (a > b) {
 return a;
 } else {
 return b;
 }
}
```
- ```
void testMax() {  
    int x = max(3, 7);  
    if (x != 7) {  
        System.out.println("max(3, 7) gives " + x);  
    }  
    x = max(3, -7);  
    if (x != 3) {  
        System.out.println("max(3, -7) gives " + x);  
    }  
}
```
- ```
public static void main(String[] args) {
 new MyClass().testMax();
}
```
- ```
@Test  
void testMax() {  
    assertEquals(7, max(3, 7));  
    assertEquals(3, max(3, -7));  
}
```



XP approach to testing

- In the Extreme Programming approach,
 - Tests are written before the code itself
 - If code has no automated test case, it is *assumed not to work*
 - A test framework is used so that automated testing can be done after every small change to the code
 - This may be as often as every 5 or 10 minutes
 - If a bug is found after development, a test is created to keep the bug from coming back
- Consequences
 - Fewer bugs
 - More maintainable code
 - **Continuous integration**—During development, the program *always works*—it may not do everything required, but what it does, it does right

Unit Testing





Selection of test data is broadly based on the following techniques:

- Control flow testing
 - Draw a control flow graph (CFG) from a program unit
 - Select a few control flow testing criteria
 - Identify a path in the CFG to satisfy the selection criteria
 - Derive the path predicate expression from the selection paths
 - By solving the path predicate expression for a path, one can generate the data
- Data flow testing
 - Draw a data flow graph (DFG) from a program unit and then follow the procedure described in control flow testing.
- Domain testing
 - Domain errors are defined and then test data are selected to catch those faults
- Functional program testing
 - Input/output domains are defined to compute the input values that will cause the unit to produce expected output values



JUnit

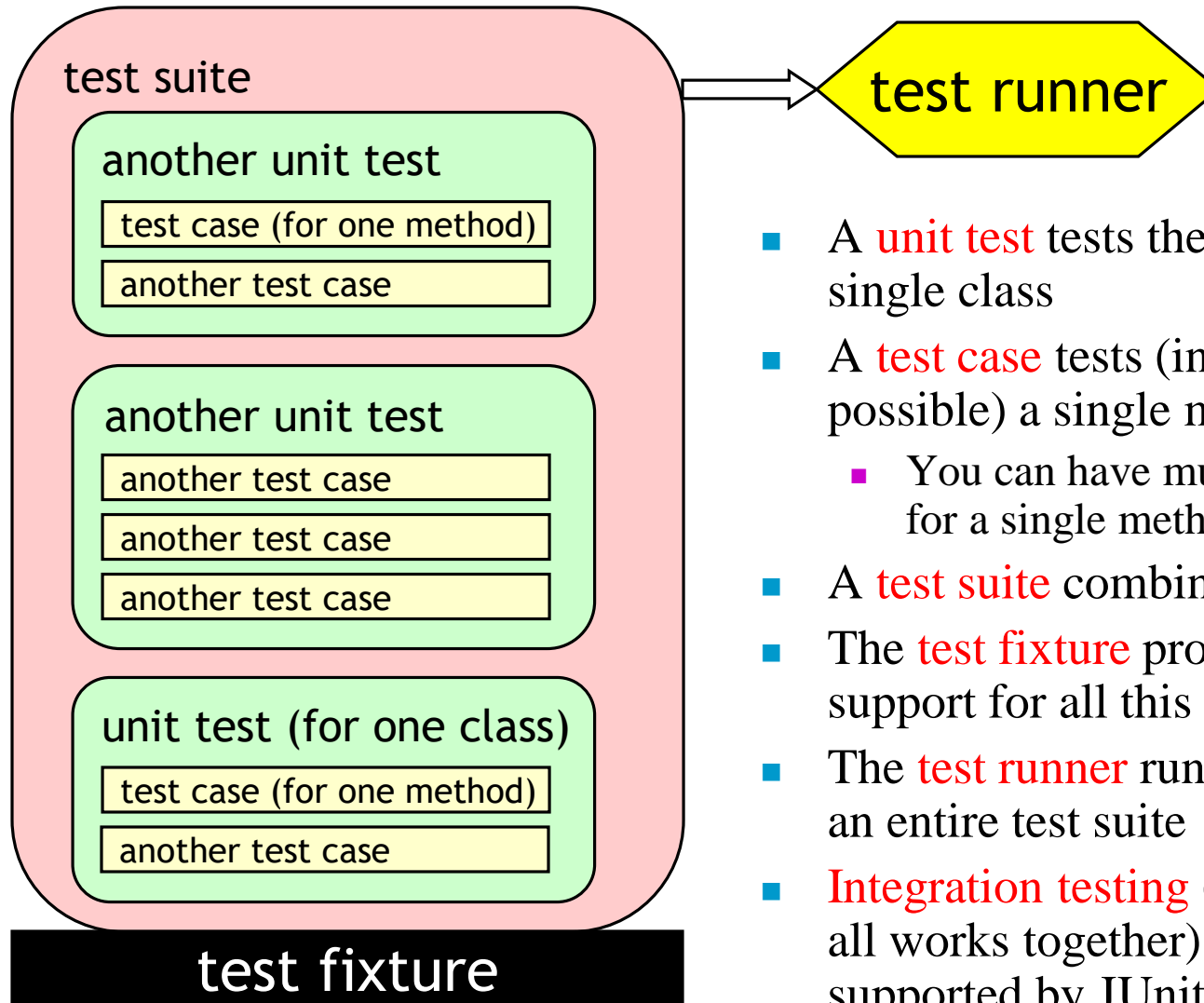
- **JUnit** is a framework for writing tests
 - JUnit was written by Erich Gamma (of *Design Patterns* fame) and Kent Beck (creator of XP methodology)
 - JUnit uses Java's **reflection** capabilities (Java programs can examine their own code)
 - JUnit helps the programmer:
 - define and execute tests and test suites
 - formalize requirements and clarify architecture
 - write and debug code
 - integrate code and always be ready to release a working version
 - JUnit is not included in Sun's SDK, but almost all IDEs include it



Terminology

- A **test fixture** sets up the data (both objects and primitives) that are needed to run tests
 - Example: If you are testing code that updates an employee record, you need an employee record to test it on
- A **unit test** is a test of a *single* class
- A **test case** tests the response of a single method to a particular set of inputs
- A **test suite** is a collection of test cases
- A **test runner** is software that runs tests and reports results
- An **integration test** is a test of how well classes work together
 - JUnit provides some limited support for integration tests

Once more, in pictures



- A **unit test** tests the methods in a single class
- A **test case** tests (insofar as possible) a single method
 - You can have multiple test cases for a single method
- A **test suite** combines unit tests
- The **test fixture** provides software support for all this
- The **test runner** runs unit tests or an entire test suite
- **Integration testing** (testing that it all works together) is not well supported by JUnit



JUnit

- JUnit is a framework for writing unit tests
 - A **unit test** is a test of a *single* class
 - A **test case** is a single test of a single method
 - A **test suite** is a collection of test cases
- Unit testing is particularly important when software requirements change frequently
 - Code often has to be refactored to incorporate the changes
 - Unit testing helps ensure that the refactored code continues to work



JUnit..

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What JUnit does

- JUnit runs a suite of tests and reports results
- For *each* test in the test suite:
 - JUnit calls `setUp()`
 - This method should create any objects you may need for testing



What JUnit does...

- JUnit calls *one* test method
 - The test method may comprise multiple test cases; that is, it may make multiple calls to the method you are testing
 - In fact, since it's your code, the test method can do anything you want
 - The `setUp()` method ensures you *entered* the test method with a virgin set of objects; what you do with them is up to you
- JUnit calls `tearDown()`
 - This method should remove any objects you created



Creating a test class in JUnit

- Define a subclass of `TestCase`
- Override the `setUp()` method to initialize object(s) under test.
- Override the `tearDown()` method to release object(s) under test.
- Define one or more public `testXXX()` methods that exercise the object(s) under test and assert expected results.
- Define a static `suite()` factory method that creates a `TestSuite` containing all the `testXXX()` methods of the `TestCase`.
- Optionally define a `main()` method that runs the `TestCase` in batch mode.



Fixtures

- A fixture is just a some code you want run before every test
- You get a fixture by overriding the method
 - protected void **setUp()** { ... }
- The general rule for running a test is:
 - protected void **runTest()** {
 setUp(); <run the test> **tearDown();**
}
 - so we can override setUp and/or tearDown, and that code will be run prior to or after every test case



Implementing `setUp()` method

- Override `setUp()` to initialize the variables, and objects
- Since `setUp()` is your code, you can modify it any way you like (such as creating new objects in it)
- Reduces the duplication of code



Implementing the `tearDown()` method

- In most cases, the `tearDown()` method doesn't need to do anything
 - The next time you run `setUp()`, your objects will be replaced, and the old objects will be available for garbage collection
 - Like the `finally` clause in a try-catch-finally statement, `tearDown()` is where you would release system resources (such as streams)



The structure of a test method

- A test method doesn't return a result
- If the tests run correctly, a test method does nothing
- If a test fails, it throws an **AssertionFailedError**
- The JUnit framework catches the error and deals with it; you don't have to do anything



Test suites

- In practice, you want to run a group of related tests (e.g. all the tests for a class)
- To do so, group your test methods in a class which extends `TestCase`
- Running suites we will see in examples



Writing a JUnit test class, I

- Start by importing these JUnit 4 classes:
- `import org.junit.*;`
`import static org.junit.Assert.*; // note static import`
- Declare your test class in the usual way
- `public class MyProgramTest {`
 - Declare an instance of the class being tested
 - You can declare other variables, but *don't* give them initial values here
- `public class MyProgramTest {`
`MyProgram program;`
`int someVariable;`



Writing a JUnit test class, II2

- Define a method (or several methods) to be executed *before each test*
- Initialize your variables in this method, so that each test starts with a fresh set of values

■ @Before

```
public void setUp() {  
    program = new MyProgram();  
    someVariable = 1000;  
}
```

- You can define one or more methods to be executed after each test
- Typically such methods release resources, such as files
- Usually there is no need to bother with this method

■ @After

```
public void tearDown() {  
}
```



A simple example

- Suppose you have a class `Arithmetic` with methods `int multiply(int x, int y)`, and `boolean isPositive(int x)`
- ```
import org.junit.*;
import static org.junit.Assert.*;
```
- ```
public class ArithmeticTest {

    @Test
    public void testMultiply() {
        assertEquals(4, Arithmetic.multiply(2, 2));
        assertEquals(-15, Arithmetic.multiply(3, -5));
    }

    @Test
    public void testIsPositive() {
        assertTrue(Arithmetic.isPositive(5));
        assertFalse(Arithmetic.isPositive(-5));
        assertFalse(Arithmetic.isPositive(0));
    }

}
```



Assert methods I

- Within a test,
 - Call the method being tested and get the actual result
 - **Assert** what the correct result should be with one of the **assert methods**
 - These steps can be repeated as many times as necessary
- An assert method is a JUnit method that performs a test, and throws an **AssertionError** if the test fails
 - JUnit catches these Errors and shows you the result
- **static void assertTrue(boolean *test*)**
static void assertTrue(String *message*, boolean *test*)
 - Throws an **AssertionError** if the test fails
 - The optional *message* is included in the Error
- **static void assertFalse(boolean *test*)**
static void assertFalse(String *message*, boolean *test*)
 - Throws an **AssertionError** if the test fails



Example: Counter class

- For the sake of example, we will create and test a trivial “counter” class
 - The constructor will create a counter and set it to zero
 - The **increment** method will add one to the counter and return the new value
 - The **decrement** method will subtract one from the counter and return the new value
- We write the test methods before we write the code
 - This has the advantages described earlier
 - However, we usually write the method **stubs** first, and let the IDE generate the test method stubs
- Don’t be alarmed if, in this simple example, the JUnit tests are more code than the class itself



JUnit tests for Counter

```
public class CounterTest {  
    Counter counter1; // declare a Counter here  
  
    @Before  
    void setUp() {  
        counter1 = new Counter(); // initialize the Counter here  
    }  
  
    @Test  
    public void testIncrement() {  
        assertTrue(counter1.increment() == 1);  
        assertTrue(counter1.increment() == 2);  
    }  
  
    @Test  
    public void testDecrement() {  
        assertTrue(counter1.decrement() == -1);  
    }  
}
```

- Note that each test begins with a *brand new* counter
- This means you don't have to worry about the order in which the tests are run



The Counter class itself

```
public class Counter {  
    int count = 0;  
  
    public int increment() {  
        return count += 1;  
    }  
  
    public int decrement() {  
        return count -= 1;  
    }  
  
    public int getCount() {  
        return count;  
    }  
}
```

- Is JUnit testing overkill for this little class?
- The Extreme Programming view is: *If it isn't tested, it doesn't work*
- You are not likely to have many classes this trivial in a real program, so writing JUnit tests for those few trivial classes is no big deal
- Often even XP programmers don't bother writing tests for *simple* getter methods such as `getCount()`
- We only used `assertTrue` in this example, but there are additional assert methods



Warning: equals

- You can compare *primitives* with `==`
- Java has a method `x.equals(y)`, for comparing *objects*
 - This method works great for `Strings` and a few other Java classes
 - For objects of classes that *you* create, *you* have to define `equals`
- `assertEquals(expected, actual)` uses `==` or `equals`
- To define `equals` for your own objects, define *exactly* this method:

```
public boolean equals(Object obj) { ... }
```

 - The argument must be of type `Object`, which isn't what you want, so you must **cast** it to the correct type (say, `Person`):
 - ```
public boolean equals(Object something) {
 Person p = (Person)something;
 return this.name == p.name; // test whatever you like here
}
```
- We'll talk *much* more about `equals` later



# Assert methods II

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- `assertEquals(expected, actual)`  
`assertEquals(String message, expected, actual)`
  - *expected* and *actual* must be both objects *or* the same primitive type
  - For objects, uses your equals method, *if* you have defined it properly, as described on the previous slide
- `assertSame(Object expected, Object actual)`  
`assertSame(String message, Object expected, Object actual)`
  - Asserts that two arguments refer to the *same* object
- `assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual)`  
`assertNotSame(String message, Object expected, Object actual)`
  - Asserts that two objects do not refer to the same object



# Assert methods III

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- `assertNull(Object object)`  
`assertNull(String message, Object object)`
  - Asserts that the object is null (undefined)
- `assertNotNull(Object object)`  
`assertNotNull(String message, Object object)`
  - Asserts that the object is not null
- `fail()`  
`fail(String message)`
  - Causes the test to fail and throw an `AssertionFailedError`
  - Useful as a result of a complex test, when the other assert methods aren't quite what you want



# Writing a JUnit test class, III

- **This page is really only for expensive setup, such as when you need to connect to a database to do your testing**
  - If you wish, you can declare *one* method to be executed *just once*, when the class is first loaded
- **@BeforeClass**  
`public static void setUpClass() throws Exception {`  
`// one-time initialization code`  
`}`
- If you wish, you can declare *one* method to be executed *just once*, to do cleanup after all the tests have been completed
- **@AfterClass**  
`public static void tearDownClass() throws Exception {`  
`// one-time cleanup code`  
`}`



# Special features of @Test

- You can limit how long a method is allowed to take
- This is good protection against infinite loops
- The time limit is specified in milliseconds
- The test fails if the method takes too long
- `@Test (timeout=10)`  

```
public void greatBig() {
 assertTrue(program.ackerman(5, 5) > 10e12);
}
```
- Some method calls should throw an exception
- You can specify that a particular exception is expected
- The test will pass if the expected exception is thrown, and fail otherwise
- `@Test (expected=IllegalArgumentException.class)`  

```
public void factorial() {
 program.factorial(-5);
}
```



# Test-Driven Development (TDD)

- It is difficult to add JUnit tests to an existing program
  - The program probably wasn't written with testing in mind
- It's actually better to write the tests *before* writing the code you want to test
- This seems backward, but it really does work better:
  - When tests are written first, you have a clearer idea what to do when you write the methods
  - Because the tests are written first, the methods are necessarily written to be testable
  - Writing tests first encourages you to write simpler, single-purpose methods
  - Because the methods will be called from more than one environment (the “real” one, plus your test class), they tend to be more independent of the environment





# Stubs

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- In order to run our tests, the methods we are testing have to exist, but they don't have to be right
- Instead of starting with “real” code, we start with **stubs**—minimal methods that always return the same values
  - A stub that returns **void** can be written with an empty body
  - A stub that returns a number can return **0** or **-1** or **666**, or whatever number is most likely to be *wrong*
  - A stub that returns a **boolean** value should usually return **false**
  - A stub that returns an object of any kind (including a **String** or an array) should return **null**
- When we run our test methods with these stubs, we want the test methods to *fail!*
  - This helps “test the tests”—to help make sure that an incorrect method doesn't pass the tests



# Ignoring a test

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- The `@Ignore` annotation says to not run a test
- `@Ignore("I don't want Dave to know this doesn't work")`  
`@Test`  
`public void add() {`  
    `assertEquals(4, program.sum(2, 2));`  
`}`
- You shouldn't use `@Ignore` without a very good reason!



# Test suites

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- You can define a suite of tests
- `@RunWith(value=Suite.class)`  
`@SuiteClasses(value={`  
    `MyProgramTest.class,`  
    `AnotherTest.class,`  
    `YetAnotherTest.class`  
    `})`  
`public class AllTests { }`



# JUnit in Eclipse

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- If you write your method stubs first (as on the previous slide), Eclipse will generate test method stubs for you
- To add JUnit 4 to your project:
  - Select a class in Eclipse
  - Go to **File → New... → JUnit Test Case**
  - Make sure **New JUnit 4 test** is selected
  - Click where it says “**Click here to add JUnit 4...**”
  - Close the window that appears
- To create a JUnit test class:
  - Do steps 1 and 2 above, if you haven’t already
  - Click **Next>**
  - Use the checkboxes to decide which methods you want test cases for; don’t select **Object** or anything under it
    - I like to check “create tasks,” but that’s up to you
  - Click **Finish**
- To run the tests:
  - Choose **Run → Run As → JUnit Test**

# Viewing results in Eclipse

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE's test results window. At the top, a progress bar is green. Below it, a summary line shows 'Runs: 10/10', 'Errors: 2', and 'Failures: 0'. A list of test methods follows, each with a status icon and a duration. The 'testIncompatibility' method is highlighted in yellow and has a red error icon. Callouts provide explanations for these elements.

Bar is green if *all* tests pass, red otherwise

Ran 10 of the 10 tests

No tests failed, but...

Something unexpected happened in two tests

This test passed

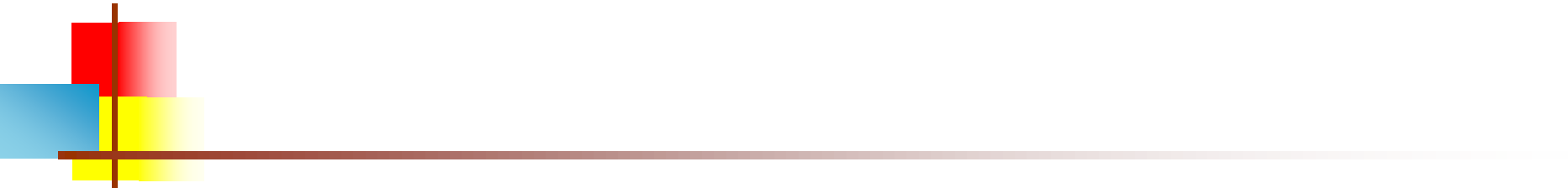
Something is wrong

Depending on your preferences, this window might show *only* failed tests

This is how long the test took

teamMaker.PairTest [Runner: JUnit 4] (0.027 s)

- testConstructor (0.001 s)
- testEquals (0.000 s)
- testToString (0.000 s)
- testGetStudent (0.000 s)
- testGetPartner (0.000 s)
- testReplaceStudent (0.000 s)
- testCrossover (0.000 s)
- testIncompatibility (0.025 s)
- testContains (0.001 s)
- testSwap (0.000 s)



```
/**
 * This class represents the USD and operations upon it.
 *
 */
public class Money {

 public static Double add(BigDecimal amount1, BigDecimal amount2) {
 amount1 = amount1.setScale(2, RoundingMode.HALF_UP);
 amount2 = amount2.setScale(2, RoundingMode.HALF_UP);

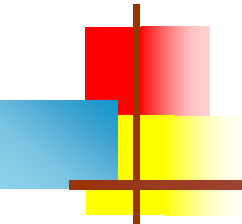
 return amount1.add(amount2).setScale(2, RoundingMode.HALF_UP).doubleValue();
 }

 public static Double subtract(BigDecimal amount1, BigDecimal amount2) {

 return amount1.subtract(amount2).setScale(2, RoundingMode.HALF_UP).doubleValue();
 }

 public static Double convertToBritishPound(BigDecimal amount1) {

 return amount1.divide(new BigDecimal(2), 2, RoundingMode.HALF_UP).doubleValue();
 }
}
```



```
@ConfigureContext
public class MoneyTest extends KualitTestBase {

 @Override
 protected void setUp() throws Exception {
 super.setUp();
 }

 public void testAdd() {
 Double result1 = Money.add(new BigDecimal(1), new BigDecimal(2));
 Double result2 = Money.add(new BigDecimal(1.50), new BigDecimal(2.50));

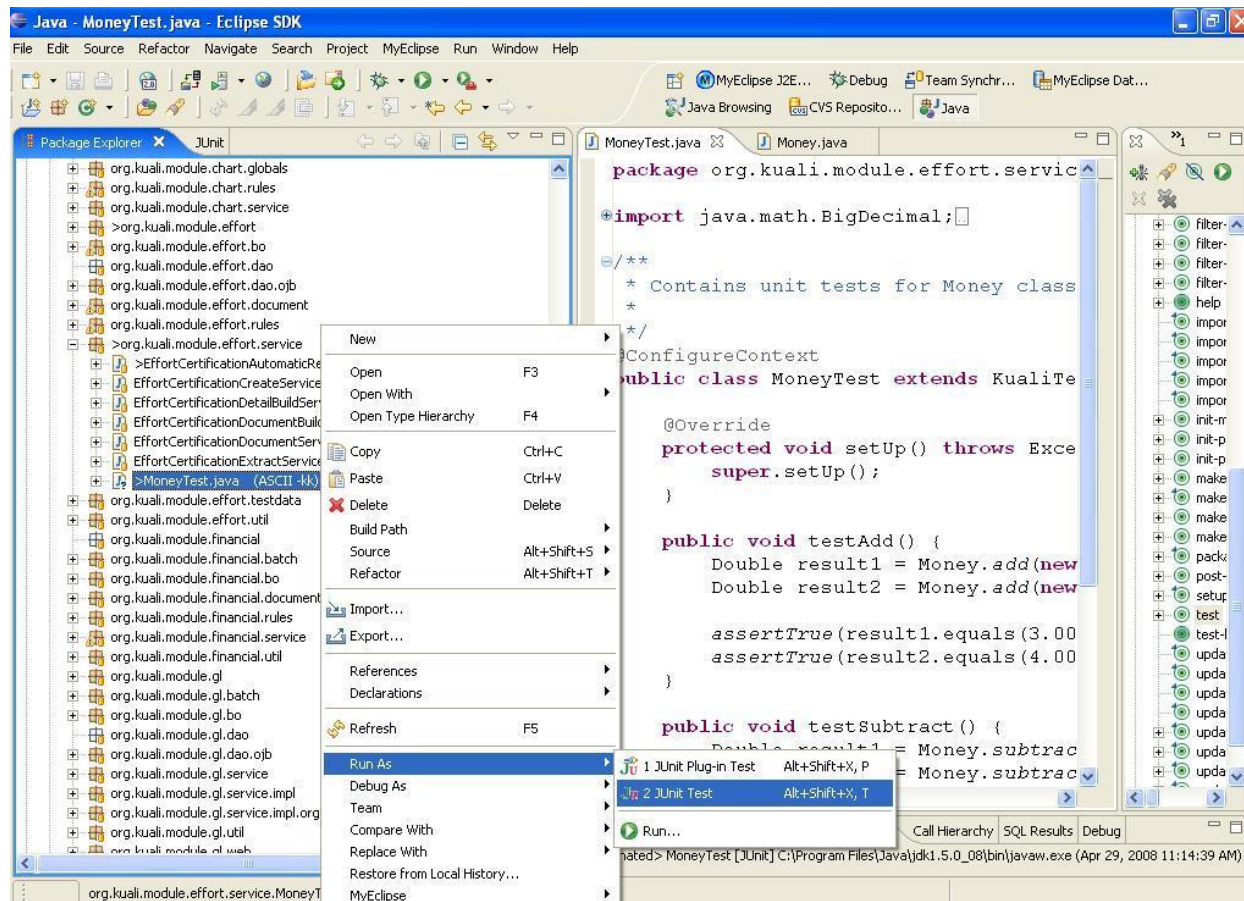
 assertTrue(result1.equals(3.00));
 assertTrue(result2.equals(4.00));
 }

 public void testSubtract() {
 Double result1 = Money.subtract(new BigDecimal(2),
 new BigDecimal(1));
 Double result2 = Money.subtract(new BigDecimal(2.50), new BigDecimal(1.50));

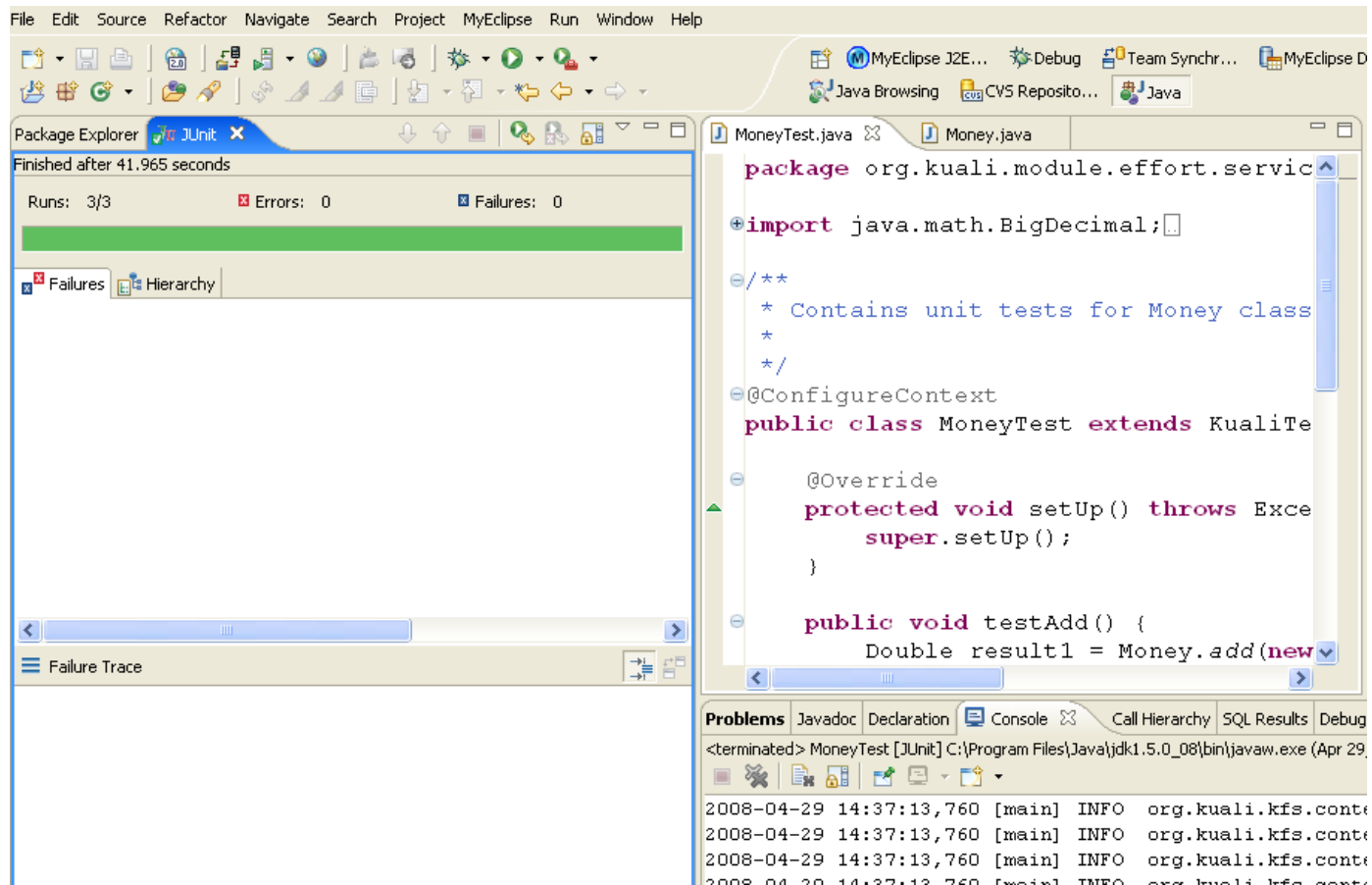
 assertTrue(result1.equals(1.00));
 assertTrue(result2.equals(1.00));
 }

 public void testConvertToBritishPound() {
 Double result = Money.convertToBritishPound(new BigDecimal(100));

 assertTrue(result.equals(50.00));
 }
}
```







The screenshot displays the Eclipse IDE interface during a JUnit test execution. The Package Explorer on the left shows the test results for 'JUnit', indicating a successful run with 3/3 tests passed, 0 errors, and 0 failures. The main editor window displays the source code of 'MoneyTest.java', which is a JUnit test class for the 'Money' class. The code includes a package declaration, an import for 'BigDecimal', a class-level comment, and two test methods: 'setUp()' and 'testAdd()'. The 'testAdd()' method is currently selected, showing a call to 'Money.add()' with a new 'BigDecimal' object. The bottom of the IDE shows the 'Problems' and 'Console' tabs, with the console displaying the output of the test run, including the path to the Java runtime and the execution of the test methods.

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Package Explorer JUnit x

Finished after 41.965 seconds

Runs: 3/3 Errors: 0 Failures: 0

Failures Hierarchy

Failure Trace

MoneyTest.java Money.java

```
package org.kuali.module.effort.service;

import java.math.BigDecimal;

/**
 * Contains unit tests for Money class
 */
@ConfigureContext
public class MoneyTest extends Kualite

 @Override
 protected void setUp() throws Exce
 super.setUp();
 }

 public void testAdd() {
 Double result1 = Money.add(new
```

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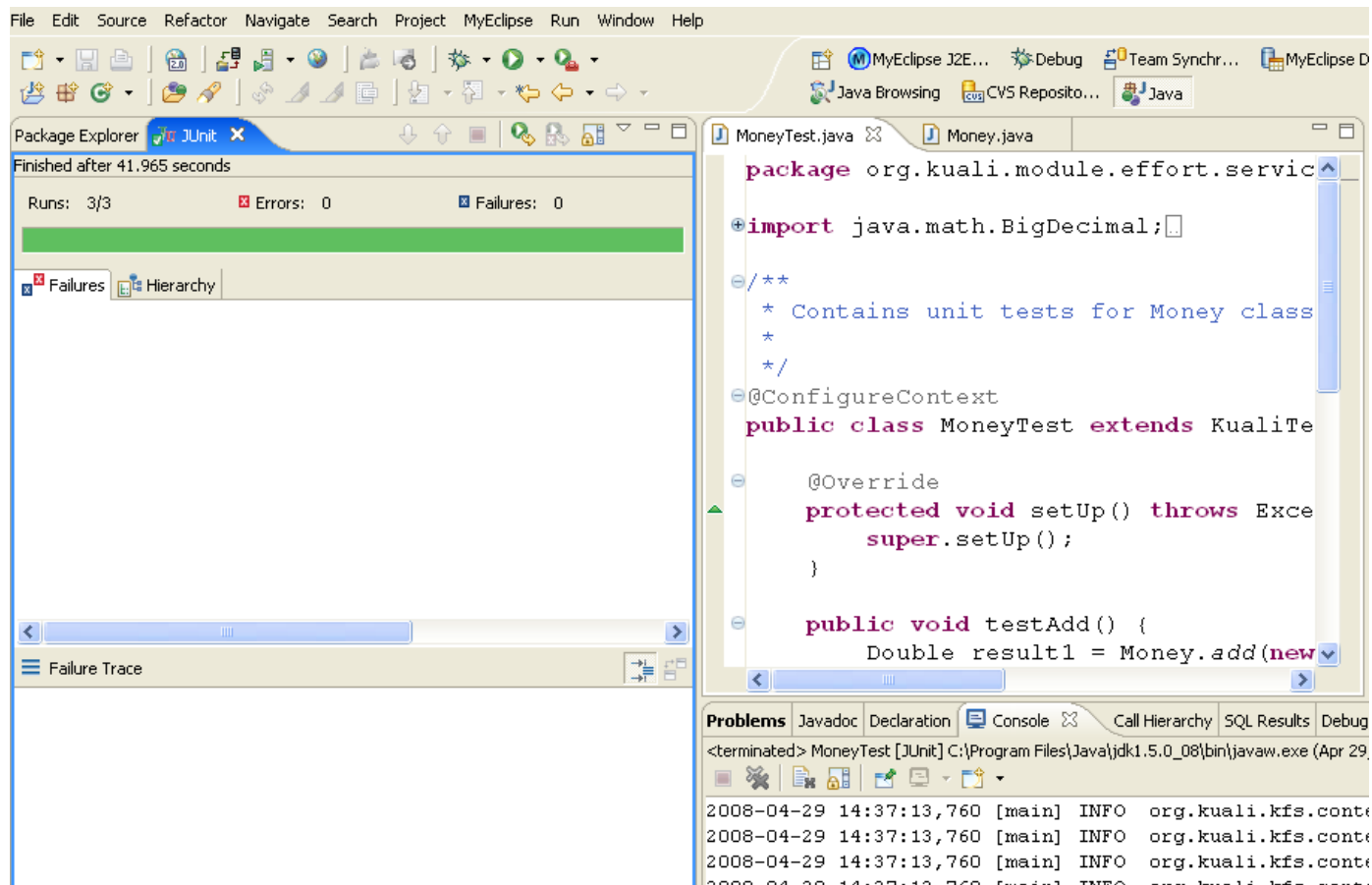
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```
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import java.math.BigDecimal;

/**
 * Contains unit tests for Money class
 */
@RunWith(KualiTestRunner.class)
public class MoneyTest extends KualiTestCase {

 @Override
 protected void setUp() throws Exception {
 super.setUp();
 }

 public void testAdd() {
 Double result1 = Money.add(new BigDecimal("1.00"), new BigDecimal("2.00"));
 assertEquals("1.00 + 2.00 = 3.00", result1, 3.00);
 }
}
```

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2008-04-29 14:37:13,760 [main] INFO org.kuali.kfs.container.KualiTestRunner - Running MoneyTest

2008-04-29 14:37:13,760 [main] INFO org.kuali.kfs.container.KualiTestRunner - Test passed: testAdd()

2008-04-29 14:37:13,760 [main] INFO org.kuali.kfs.container.KualiTestRunner - All tests passed.



# Recommended approach

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- Write a test for some method you intend to write
  - If the method is fairly complex, test only the simplest case
- Write a stub for the method
- Run the test and make sure it fails
- Replace the stub with code
  - Write just enough code to pass the tests
- Run the test
  - If it fails, debug the method (or maybe debug the test); repeat until the test passes
- If the method needs to do more, or handle more complex situations, add the tests for these first, and go back to step 3



# Why JUnit

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- **Allow you to write code faster while increasing quality**
- **Elegantly simple**
- **Check their own results and provide immediate feedback**
- **Tests are inexpensive**
- **Increase the stability of software**
- **Developer tests**
- **Written in Java**
- **Free**
- **Gives proper understanding of unit testing**



# Problems with unit testing

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- JUnit is designed to call methods and compare the results they return against expected results
  - This ignores:
    - Programs that do work in response to GUI commands
    - Methods that are used primary to produce output



# Problems with unit testing...

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- Heavy use of JUnit encourages a “functional” style, where most methods are called to compute a value, rather than to have side effects
  - This can actually be a good thing
  - Methods that *just* return results, without side effects (such as printing), are simpler, more general, and easier to reuse



# The End

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If you don't unit test then you aren't a software engineer, you are a typist who understands a programming language.

--Moses Jones

1. Never underestimate the power of one little test.
2. There is no such thing as a dumb test.
3. Your tests can often find problems where you're not expecting them.
4. Test that everything you say happens actually does happen.
5. If it's worth documenting, it's worth testing.

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