Unit Testing in Java

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- Bottom line, you have to test your code to get it working
- You can do ad hoc testing by testing whatever occurs to you at the moment
 - For example:
 - Calling random methods with different inputs from your main method and printing/comparing the results
 - Or running your program and trying different inputs for a Scanner
- Or you can write a set of unit tests that can be run at any time
 - This will always test your code in the same ways
 - It's just like the testing class we write to test our main program in Python



Unit Testing

- The *disadvantages* of writing unit tests:
 - It can require (a lot of) extra programming
 - But use of a good testing framework can help with the process
 - You don't have time to do all that extra work
 - But testing reduces debugging time more than the amount of time spent building the actual tests
- The *advantages* of writing unit tests:
 - Guaranteed, your program will have fewer bugs
 - It will be a lot easier to maintain and modify your program
 - This is a huge win for programs that get actual use in production!



JUnit

- JUnit is a (Java) framework for writing unit tests
 - JUnit uses Java's reflection capabilities, which allows Java programs to examine their own code
 - JUnit helps the programmer:
 - Define and execute tests
 - Formalize requirements and clarify program architecture
 - Write and debug code
 - Integrate code and always be ready to release a working version



Terminology

- A unit test tests the units (methods) in a *single* class
- A test case tests the response of a *single* unit (method) to a particular set of inputs
 - You can (and should) have multiple test cases for a single unit test method
- An integration test is a test of how well classes and methods work together
 - Integration testing (testing that it all works together) is not well supported by Junit and we won't cover this



Assert Methods

- The unit testing process:
 - Call the method being tested in your program and get the actual result
 - "Assert" what the correct result should be with one of the assert methods
 - Repeat steps 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



Assert Methods

Some assert methods:

```
void assertTrue(boolean test)
void assertTrue(boolean test, String message)
```

- Throws an *AssertionError* if the test fails
- The optional *message* is included in the Error

```
void assertFalse(boolean test)
void assertFalse(boolean test, String message)
```

- Throws an AssertionError if the test fails
- The optional *message* is included in the Error



Example - Counter Class

- As an example, let's look at a trivial "Counter" class
 - The class will declare a counter (int) and initialize 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
- A good approach is to write the program method stubs first, and let Eclipse generate the test method stubs
- Don't be alarmed if, in this simple example, the JUnit tests are more code than the class itself



Example - Counter Class

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

- Is JUnit testing overkill for this little class?
 - Doesn't matter, writing JUnit tests for trivial classes is no big deal
- Note: Often, you won't write tests for simple "getter" methods like getCount



Example – JUnit Tests for Counter Class

```
public class CounterTest {
   Counter counter1; //declare a Counter for testing
   @BeforeEach
   void setUp() throws Exception {
        //initialize the Counter here
        this.counter1 = new Counter();
    @Test
   void testIncrement() {
        assertTrue(this.counter1.increment() == 1);
        assertTrue(this.counter1.increment() == 2);
        assertEquals(3, this.counter1.increment());
   @Test
   void testDecrement() {
        assertEquals(-1, this.counter1.decrement());
        assertTrue(this.counter1.decrement() == -2);
```

- The setUp method (annotated) by @BeforeEach) runs before each unit test method
 - This is just like the setUp(self) testing function in Python
- Each unit test (annotated by @Test) begins with a brand new counter
- Note: You can't be concerned with the order in which unit test methods run



Counter Project



Create Counter Class

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    Counter.java 

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                    20/**
                                                       * Represents a count, with methods.
                                                       * @author lbrandon
                                               public class Counter {
                                                                                       //instance variable(s)
           10
           11⊖
                                                                                        /**
           12
                                                                                                   * Stores internal count.
           13
                                                                                                   * Primitive int, defaults to 0.
           14
                                                                                                   */
           15
                                                                                         int count;
           16
```

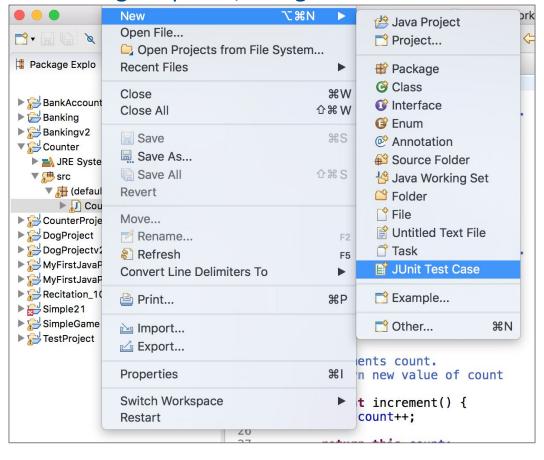


Create Counter Class

```
18
       //methods
19
20⊝
21
        * Increments count.
22
        * @return new value of count
23
24⊝
       public int increment() {
25
           this.count++;
26
27
           return this.count;
28
29
30
31⊖
32
        * Decrement count.
33
        * @return new value of count
34
       public int decrement() {
35⊜
           this.count--;
36
37
38
           return this count;
39
40
41⊖
42
        * Returns current value of count.
43
        * @return count
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45⊝
       public int getCount() {
           return this count;
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```

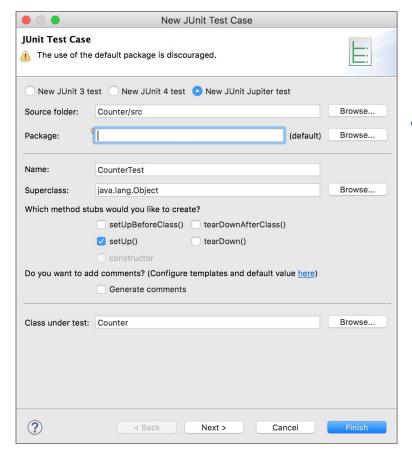


• Select the class file in the Package Explorer, and go to "New" ☐ "JUnit Test Case"





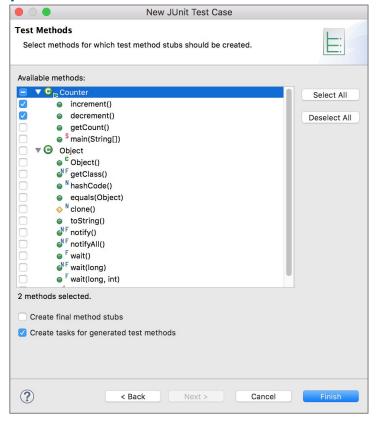
• Use the default name provided for your JUnit Test Case class



Make sure setUp() is checked



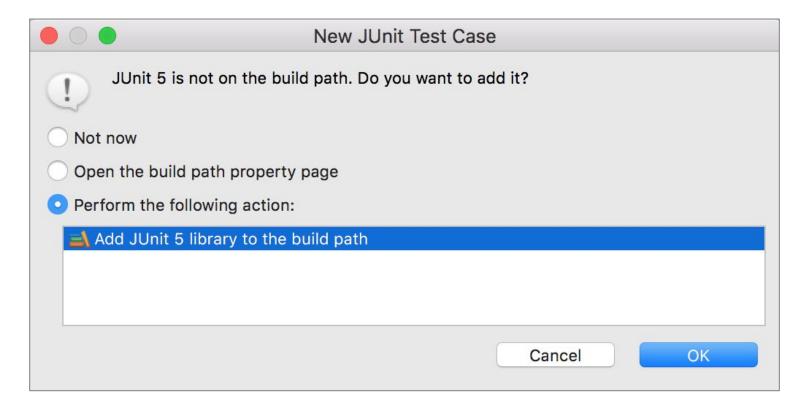
• To have Eclipse generate test method stubs for you, use the checkboxes to decide which methods you want test cases for. Don't select Object or anything under it.



 Check Create tasks for generated test methods



- Add the JUnit 5 library to the project build path
 - This includes the necessary JUnit framework in your project





Eclipse will add a new JUnit Test class in the same package (or default)

- You'll see test method stubs to be implemented

- The code in each test method is calling fail (with a message), to force the test methods to

initially fail

```
Counter.java
 1⊕ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
   class CounterTest {
       @BeforeEach
       void setUp() throws Exception {
11
129
       @Test
       void testIncrement() {
13
           fail("Not yet implemented"); // TODO
15
16
179
       @Test
18
       void testDecrement() {
           fail("Not yet implemented"); // TODO
20
22 }
23
```



- If you run the tests, they should ALL fail
 - Eclipse will open the JUnit panel (on the left)
 - The top bar will show red
 - The number next to "Failures" will show 2
 - The message at the bottom will explain why the tests failed

```
▼ CounterTest [Runner: JUnit 5] (0.004 s)
     testIncrement() (0.002 s)
     testDecrement() (0.001 s)
Failure Trace
Jorg.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Not yet implemented
at CounterTest.testIncrement(CounterTest.java:14)
at java.base/java.util.ArrayList.forEach(ArrayList.java:1507)
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```

```
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  1⊕ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
     class CounterTest {
         @BeforeEach
         void setUp() throws Exception {
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         @Test
         void testIncrement() {
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             fail("Not yet implemented"); // TODO
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 17⊝
         @Test
         void testDecrement() {
 18
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             fail("Not yet implemented"); // TODO
 20
 21
 22 }
 23
```



Declare and initialize a Counter object for testing

```
    □ CounterTest.java 
    □

Counter.java
  1⊖ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
    import org.junit.jupiter.api.BeforeEach;
    import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
    class CounterTest {
        Counter counter; //Declare a Counter for testing
        //runs before each unit test method
        //not required
129
        @BeforeEach
        void setUp() throws Exception {
13
14
             this.counter = new Counter(); //Initialize the Counter here
15
16
```



Implement the test methods, adding test cases with assert methods

```
17⊝
       @Test
       void testIncrement() {
18
19
20
           //asserts that calling increment returns 1
           assertTrue(this.counter.increment() == 1);
23
           //asserts that calling increment returns 2
24
           assertTrue(this.counter.increment() == 2);
26
           //increments again
           this.counter.increment();
29
            //asserts that calling increment again does not return 2
30
           assertFalse(this.counter.getCount() == 2, "should not return 2 after incrementing again");
31
32
           //asserts that 3 is equal to the new count
33
           assertEquals(3, this.counter.getCount());
34
35
            //asserts that 3 is not equal to calling increment again
36
            assertNotEquals(3, this.counter.increment());
37
```

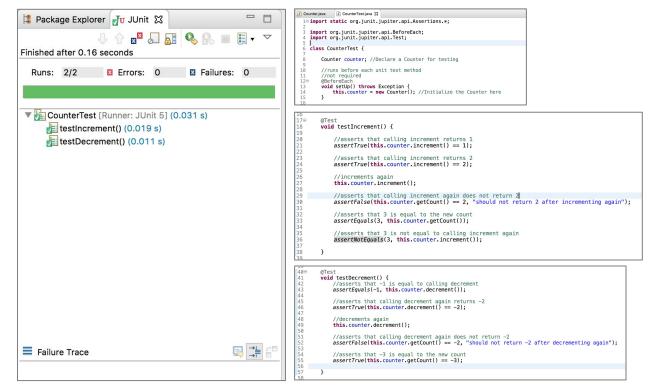


• Implement the test methods, adding test cases with assert methods

```
40⊖
       @Test
       void testDecrement() {
41
42
           //asserts that -1 is equal to calling decrement
43
           assertEquals(-1, this.counter.decrement());
44
45
           //asserts that calling decrement again returns -2
           assertTrue(this.counter.decrement() == -2);
46
47
           //decrements again
49
           this.counter.decrement();
50
51
           //asserts that calling decrement again does not return -2
52
           assertFalse(this.counter.getCount() == -2, "should not return -2 after decrementing again");
53
54
           //asserts that -3 is equal to the new count
55
           assertTrue(this.counter.getCount() == -3);
56
57
```



- If you run the tests, they should ALL pass
 - In the JUnit panel (on the left) the top bar will show green
 - The number next to "Failures" will show 0





- In Java, you use == to compare *primitives*
- For example:

```
//e will be set to true if 2 is equal to 3
boolean e = (2 == 3);
```

- And you use the method *x.equals(y)* to compare *Objects*
- For example:

```
//e is set to true if "thisString" is equal to "thatString"
boolean e = "thisString".equals("thatString");
```



- Rule: When comparing a literal String value (known String value) to an unknown String value, use the equals method of the known value
- For example:

```
//e is set to true if "thisString" is equal to String value stored in
someUnknownString
boolean e = "thisString".equals(someUnknownString);
```

- Why?
 - Because you know, at least, that "thisString" exists and is not null, so it MUST have an equals method
 - someUnknownString, on the other hand could be null, in which case calling it's equals method will return an error



- Why is all of this important?
 - The JUnit method assertEquals(expected, actual) uses == to compare primitives and equals to compare *Objects*
- To define *equals* for your own objects, you'll have to define *exactly* this method in your class:

```
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 (e.g. Person)



Here's a full (sample) implementation of equals inside a Person class

```
public class Person {
        //Name of person
        String name;
        //Age of person
        int age;
        public Person(String name, int age) {
            this.name = name;
 10
 11
            this.age = age;
 12
 13
 14
        //equals method to compare people
△15⊖
        public boolean equals(Object something) {
 16
            //cast Object to Person
 17
            Person p = (Person) something;
 18
 19
 20
            //compare names of each Person
 21
            return this.name.equals(p.name);
 22
 23
 24
```

 Two people are "equal" if they have the same exact name

• We'll talk more about implementing methods, like equals, later in the course



Here's how we compare people in our unit testing class

```
Person.java
               🕡 PersonTest.java 🔀

    1⊕ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;

    class PersonTest {
 89
         @Test
        void testPerson() {
  9
 10
             Person person1 = new Person("Ted", 22);
 11
             Person person2 = new Person("ted", 22);
 12
 13
             //assertEquals uses == to compare primitives
 14
 15
             //person 1 and person 2 have the same age
 16
             assertEquals(person1.age, person2.age);
 17
 18
             //assertEquals uses .equals method to compare Objects
 19
             //person 1 and person 2 ARE NOT equal because
 20
             //they don't have the same exact name
             assertNotEquals(person1, person2);
 21
 22
 23
             Person person3 = new Person("Ted", 34);
 24
 25
             //person 1 and person 3 ARE equal because
 26
             //they have the same exact name
 27
             assertEquals(person1, person3);
 28
 29 }
 30
```



```
void assertEquals(expected, actual)
void assertEquals(expected, actual, String message)
```

- expected and actual must both be Objects or the same primitive type
- For primitives, this method compares using ==
- For Objects, this method compares using the *equals* method
 - For your own objects, you'll need to define the *equals* method properly (as described in "About Equality" lecture)

```
void assertArrayEquals(int[] expected, int[] actual)
void assertArrayEquals(int[] expected, int[] actual, String message)
```

- Asserts that two int arrays are equal



Assert Methods with Floating Points Types

- Note: When you want to compare floating point types (e.g. double or float) with a high amount of precision
 - You should use assertEquals with the additional parameter delta to avoid problems with round-off errors while doing floating point comparisons
- The assert method syntax to use is:

```
void assertEquals(double expected, double actual, double delta)
```

- This asserts that the *expected* and *actual* are equal, within the given *delta*
- delta is typically a very small double (e.g. 0.000001) used for comparison
- For example:

```
void assertEquals(aDoubleValue, anotherDoubleValue, 0.000001)
```

- This evaluates to: Math.abs(aDoubleValue – anotherDoubleValue) <= delta



```
void assertSame(Object expected, Object actual)
void assertSame(Object expected, Object actual, String message)
```

- Asserts that two arguments refer to the *same* object

```
void assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual)
void assertNotSame(Object expected, Object actual, String message)
```

- Asserts that two objects do not refer to the same object



```
void assertNull(Object object)
void assertNull(Object object, String message)
    - Asserts that the object is null (undefined)
void assertNotNull(Object object)
void assertNotNull(Object object, String message)
    - Asserts that the object is not null
fail()
fail(String message)
    - Causes the test to fail and throw an Assertion Failed Error
```



```
void assertThrows(Exception.class, () -> {
    //code that throws an exception
});
 - Asserts that the enclosed code throws an Exception of a particular type
void assertDoesNotThrow(() -> {
    //code that does not throw an exception
});
 - Asserts that the enclosed code does not throw an Exception
• For example:
  String test = null;
  assertThrows(NullPointerException.class, () -> {
      test.length();
  });
    - Asserts that test.length() throws a NullPointerException
    - Why? test is null, so there is no method length()
```



Banking Project w/ Unit Testing



Banking Project w/ Unit Testing

- We'll unit test our previous "Banking" project, which had 3 classes
 - Bank
 - Includes the public static void main(String[] args) method
 - No updates needed
 - Customer
 - No updates needed
 - BankAccount
 - Updates needed!
- Create new unit testing classes
 - CustomerTest
 - For testing the Customer class
 - BankAccountTest
 - For testing the BankAccount class



Add a fastCashAmount instance variable

```
J Bank.java

    ■ BankAccount.java 
    □

     package banking;
      * Represents a checking/savings bank account for a customer.
     * @author lbrandon
     public class BankAccount {
        //instance variables
 10
 11
 12⊖
         * Type of account (checking/savings).
 13
 14
         String accountType;
 15
 16
 17⊝
         * Account balance.
 18
 19
         double balance;
 20
 21
 229
         * Customer for account.
 23
 24
 25
         Customer customer;
 26
 27⊝
          * Fast cash for quick withdrawal.
 28
 29
 30
         double fastCashAmount;
 31
 32
```



Update the constructor to set the initial value for fastCashAmount

```
32
33
       //constructor
34
35⊖
       /**
36
        * Creates a bank account of given type for given customer.
37
        * Sets default fast cash amount.
        * @param accountType for bank account
39
        * @param customer for this account
40
        */
419
       public BankAccount(String accountType, Customer customer) {
            this.accountType = accountType;
42
43
            this.customer = customer;
44
45
           //set default value for fast cash
46
           this.fastCashAmount = 60;
47
10
```



Add the fastWithDraw and setFastCashAmount methods.

```
73⊖
        * Withdraws the fast cash amount.
74
        * @throws Exception if amount is greater than available balance
76
        */
77⊝
       public void fastWithDraw() throws Exception {
           this.withdraw(this.fastCashAmount);
78
79
80
81⊖
       /**
82
       * Sets the fast cash amount, if the amount is greater than 0.
83
       * @param amount to set as fast cash
84
       public void setFastCashAmount(double amount){
85⊖
           if(amount > 0){
86
               this.fastCashAmount = amount;
87
88
       }
89
```



• Update the deposit method

```
51⊖
       /**
52
        * Deposits the given balance, if the balance is greater than 0.
        * @param balance to add
53
54
       public void deposit(double balance) {
55⊖
           if (balance > 0) {
56
57
               this.balance += balance;
58
59
60
```



Create CustomerTest Class

```
☐ CustomerTest.java 
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J Bank.java
           J BankAccount.java
                             J Customer.java
   package banking;
 3⊕ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
    class CustomerTest {
10
       //Declare Customer for testing
11
        Customer customer;
12
13⊜
        @BeforeEach
        void setUp() throws Exception {
14
            //Initialize Customer here
15
            this.customer = new Customer("Brandon");
16
17
18
19⊝
        @Test
        void testSetAddress() {
20
21
22
            //Get expected address, should be null to start
23
            assertNull(this.customer.getAddress());
24
25
            //Set new address
26
            this.customer.setAddress("Brooklyn, NY");
27
            //Get expected address
28
            assertEquals("Brooklyn, NY", this.customer.getAddress());
29
30
31
            //Set new address
32
            this.customer.setAddress("Cranston, RI");
33
34
            //Get expected address
35
            assertEquals("Cranston, RI", this.customer.getAddress());
36
37
38 }
39
```



```
J Bank.java
            J BankAccount.java

    ■ BankAccountTest.java 
    □

     package banking;
  2⊕ import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.*;
     class BankAccountTest {
  10
         //Declare Customer and BankAccounts for testing
 11
         Customer customer:
         BankAccount myCheckingAccount;
 12
  13
         BankAccount mySavingsAccount;
  14
         //runs before each test method
 16⊖
         @BeforeEach
 17
         void setUp() throws Exception {
  18
  19
              //Initialize Customer and BankAccounts here
              this.customer = new Customer("Brandon");
  20
              this.myCheckingAccount = new BankAccount("checking", this.customer);
              this.mySavingsAccount = new BankAccount("savings", this.customer);
  22
  23
  24
```



```
25⊖
       @Test
       void testDeposit() {
26
27
28
           //make deposit
           this.myCheckingAccount.deposit(100);
30
31
           //test current balance
           assertEquals(100, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
32
33
34
           //make deposit of negative amount
35
           //should ignore this
36
           this.myCheckingAccount.deposit(-100);
37
38
           //balance should be the same
           assertEquals(100, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
39
40
           //make deposit of 0
41
42
           //should ignore this
           this.myCheckingAccount.deposit(0);
43
44
45
           //balance should be the same
           assertEquals(100, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
46
47
```



```
49⊖
       @Test
50
       void testWithdraw() {
51
52
           //make deposit as setup
53
            this.mySavingsAccount.deposit(100);
54
55
           //test balance
56
           assertEquals(100, this.mySavingsAccount.getBalance());
57
58
           //try to make withdrawal
59
           try {
                this.mySavingsAccount.withdraw(80);
60
            } catch (Exception e) {
61
                // TODO Auto-generated catch block
62
63
                e.printStackTrace();
64
65
66
           //test balance
67
            assertEquals(20, this.mySavingsAccount.getBalance());
68
```



```
68
69
           //try to make withdrawal greater than balance
70
           //expects Exception (error)
           assertThrows(Exception.class, () -> {
               this.mySavingsAccount.withdraw(21);
73
           });
74
           //balance remains the same
           assertEquals(20, this.mySavingsAccount.getBalance());
76
77
           //try to make withdrawal
           //doesn't expect Exception (error)
           assertDoesNotThrow(() -> {
80
81
                this.mySavingsAccount.withdraw(19);
82
           });
83
84
           //test balance
85
           assertEquals(1, this.mySavingsAccount.getBalance());
86
```



```
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        @Test
        public void testWithFastWithdraw() {
 89
 90
 91
            //make deposit as setup
            this.myCheckingAccount.deposit(100);
 92
 93
 94
            //try to make fast withdrawal
 95
            try {
 96
                 this.myCheckingAccount.fastWithDraw();
            } catch (Exception e) {
 97
                 // TODO Auto-generated catch block
 98
                 e.printStackTrace();
 99
100
101
102
            //check balance
            assertEquals(40, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
103
104
```



```
105
            //set new fast cash amount
            this.myCheckingAccount.setFastCashAmount(20);
106
107
108
            //try to make fast withdrawal
109
            //doesn't expect Exception (error)
110
            assertDoesNotThrow(() -> {
111
                this.myCheckingAccount.fastWithDraw();
112
            });
113
114
            //check balance
115
            assertEquals(20, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
116
117
            //set new fast cash amount < 0
118
            //should ignore this
119
            this.myCheckingAccount.setFastCashAmount(-50);
120
121
            //try to make fast withdrawal
122
            //doesn't expect Exception (error)
123
            assertDoesNotThrow(() -> {
124
                this.myCheckingAccount.fastWithDraw();
125
            });
126
127
            //check balance
128
            //should still default to $20 fast cash
129
            assertEquals(0, this.myCheckingAccount.getBalance());
130
131
            //make fast withdrawal
132
            //expects Exception (error)
133
            assertThrows(Exception.class, () -> {
134
                this.myCheckingAccount.fastWithDraw();
135
            });
136
```

