



# Javascript Unit Testing & Build Integration



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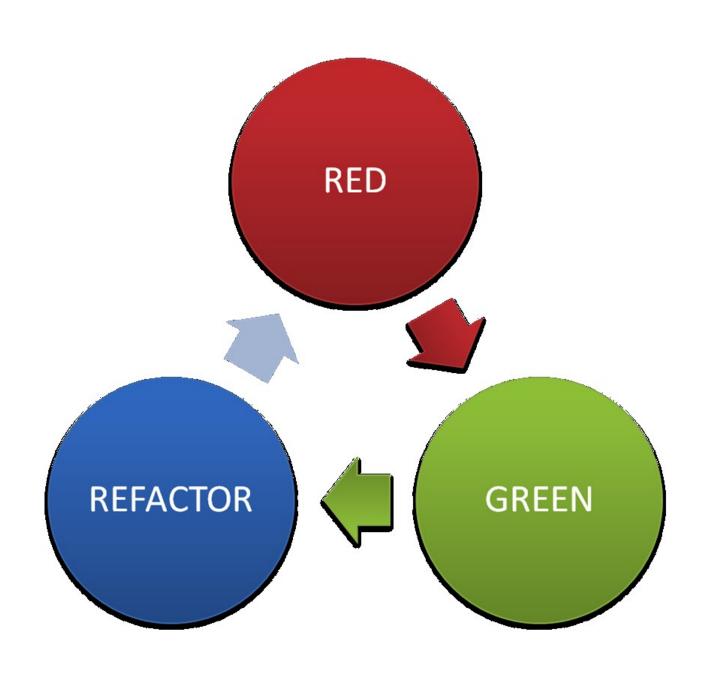
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#### Who am I?

Agile software developer @ Cegeka for 5 years;

- a.k.a. dynamic languages fanboy
- a.k.a. (alas...) Javascript guru
   (taught various JS & engineering courses, I used to be just the "expert")
- Likes to inspire others and improve himself.

# Working with JavaScript

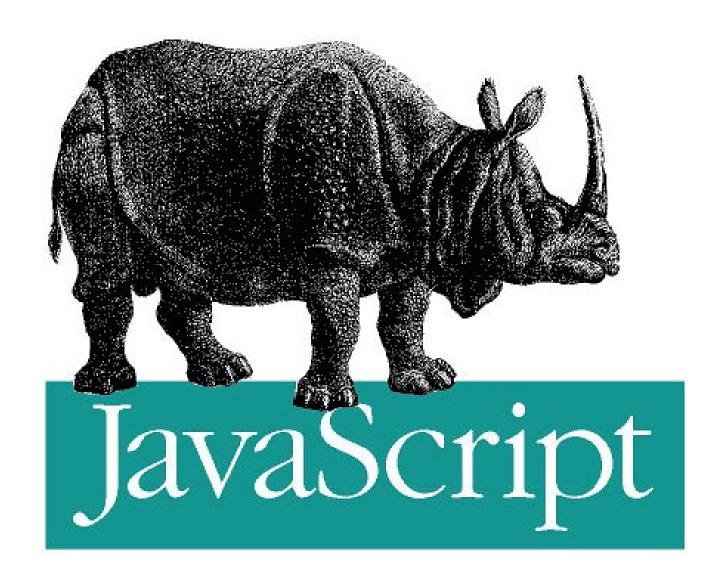


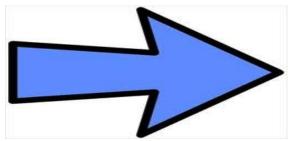
#### JS <> Java

- JS is a <u>dynamic</u> language
- JS has <u>functions</u> as first-class citizens
- JS' <u>callback</u> mechanics works different
- JS does not have block level <u>scoping</u>
- JS does not have <u>classes</u> (prototypal inheritance)
- ...

#### JS <> Java

■ Something **NEW** that we're **AFRAID** of?







#### JS <> Java

Things that make it even harder to **test** properly:

- Lack of standard (browser quirks, "the one" testing/DOM/...API, ...)
- Lack of **integration** with usual build cycle
- How do I... @Test in JS? mvn clean install?...

### So "doing JS" equals...

- "let's get it over with"?
- Nasty, completely untestable code
- UI & Domain interleaved

All violating separation of concerns?





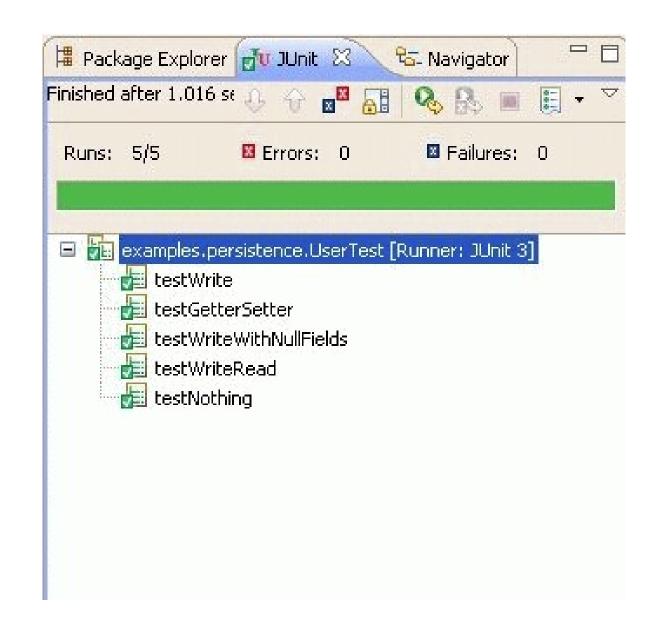
## Zombies (very ugly)

```
$(function() {
  // what's this counters?
 var zombie = 3;
 var plant = 0;
  function updateHealth() {
    $("#health").html(zombie);
    // domain logic alert
    if(zombie <= 0) {</pre>
      $("#zombie").hide("slow");
```

#### JS In need of the TDD cycle

How can we **improve** upon this?

- **Dynamic** langs even need **more tests**! (no compile-time errors)
- Forces us to think about design& separation when implementing
- We already have the skill & apply it to Java (or lang. x) everyday?!



# Improving zombies (1)

```
var Zombies = (function() {
  var Zombie = {
    getHit: function(damage) {
      this.health -= damage;
    },
  return {
    Create: function() { return Object.create(Zombie); }
})();
```

# Improving zombies (1)



What happened?

- Create a **Module** to **test** separately
- Include the module in the HTML file
- Encapsulate **logic**, as we would in Java

So now I can test "module.js" as a separate unit.

## Improving zombies (1)



What's a "module"? What are closures? Aaarghhh?!!!!!! /bail

https://github.com/jefklak/javascript-courses





```
public class MyTest {
  @Before
  public void setUp() { ... }
  @Test
  public void plantShouldGrow() {
    Plant myPlant = new Plant();
    myPlant.water();
    Assert.assertEquals(1, myPlant.size);
```

```
describe("my test suite", function() {
beforeEach(function() { ... });
 it("should grow when watered", function() {
   var myPlant = Object.create(Plant);
   myPlant.water();
   expect(myPlant.size).toEqual(1);
});
});
```

#### But... how?

```
// you can create your own matchers
expect (expression) .matcher (arguments);
// you can nest tests all the way you want
describe("module 1", function() {
   it("should this or that", ...);
    describe("submodule from 1", function() {
       it ("should do that or whatever", ...);
    });
});
```

#### Output results



Jasmine 1.2.0 revision 1337005947

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#### Failing 3 specs

8 specs | 3 failing

#### plants versus zombies! creating zombies should not 'be dead' when created.

Expected true not to be truthy.

```
Error: Expected true not to be truthy.

at new jasmine.ExpectationResult (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:102:32)

at null.toBeTruthy (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:1194:29)

at null.<anonymous> (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/specs/moduleSpec.js:30:43)

at jasmine.Block.execute (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:1024:15)

at jasmine.Queue.next_ (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:2025:31)

at jasmine.Spec.execute (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:2305:14)

at jasmine.Queue.next_ (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:2025:31)

at jasmine.Queue.start (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:1978:8)

at jasmine.Suite.execute (file://localhost/Users/jefklak/Dropbox/werk/jscript/testing/examples/java/src/test/javascript/lib/jasmine.js:2450:14)
```

#### So... what should I test?

What do you think?



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**Everything** of course!

- Logic & related behavior
- UI & related behavior

### Okay, how do I test UI stuff?

# Also with Jasmine

- Use custom matchers (for jQuery) https://github.com/velesin/jasmine-jquery
- Use fixtures
- (If needed, use mocks and spies)

What about



Too slow, too cumbersome, not specific enough

Plants - size: 1





# Improving zombies (2)



#### What happened?

- Create a **UI Module** to **test** separately
- Include the module in the HTML file (we now have 2)
- Test as an "integration" test by using fixtures

# Improving zombies (2)

```
it ("should kill the zombie after shooting it like hell", function() {
 $("#can").click(); // give the plant some power
  $("#plant").click().click().click(); // shoot 3 times
 expect($("#zombie")).not.toExist();
});
```

### Back to our integration problem

- Running JS tests in-browser using SpecRunner.html is cumbersome
- Generates different output: no JUnit XML Reports
- "one command to test them all": mvn test



### option #1: headful

Run SpecRunner.html in a real browser

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Passing 2 specs

extjs4 unit test example
  is true
  should create another button when clicked on 'knopke'
```

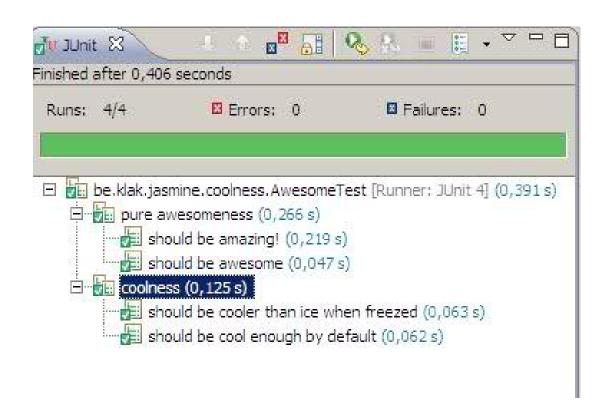
= slooooow & in need of parsing results (?)

### option #2: headless – Jasmine JS Runner

#### Run JS specs in JVM & convert results to JUnit equivalent

https://github.com/jefklak/jasmine-junit-runner

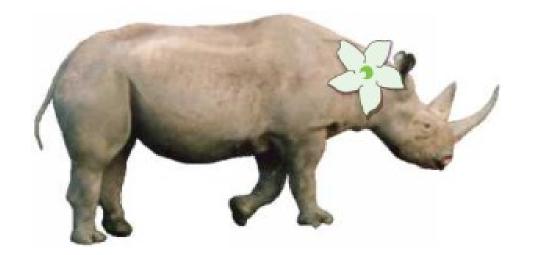
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describe("pure awesomeness", function() {
    it("should be amazing!", function() {
        expect(stuff).toEqual("amazing");
    });
    it("should be awesome", function() {
        expect(moreStuff).toBe("awesome");
   });
});
describe("coolness", function() {
    it("should be cooler than ice when freezed", function() {
        var coolness = CoolingRepository.beCool();
        coolness.freeze();
        expect(coolness.coolnessRatio).toBe(-100);
    });
    it("should be cool enough by default", function() {
        expect(CoolingRepository.beCool().coolnessRatio).toBe(-5);
    });
});
```



#### Option #2 — how does this work?

- Use *Env.js* to emulate DOM (window) in JS
- Use *Rhino* to evaluate JS in JVM context
- Parse Jasmine results using a custom reporter
- Convert to JUnit's Runner objects; auto-integrates in your IDE

JavaScript BDD



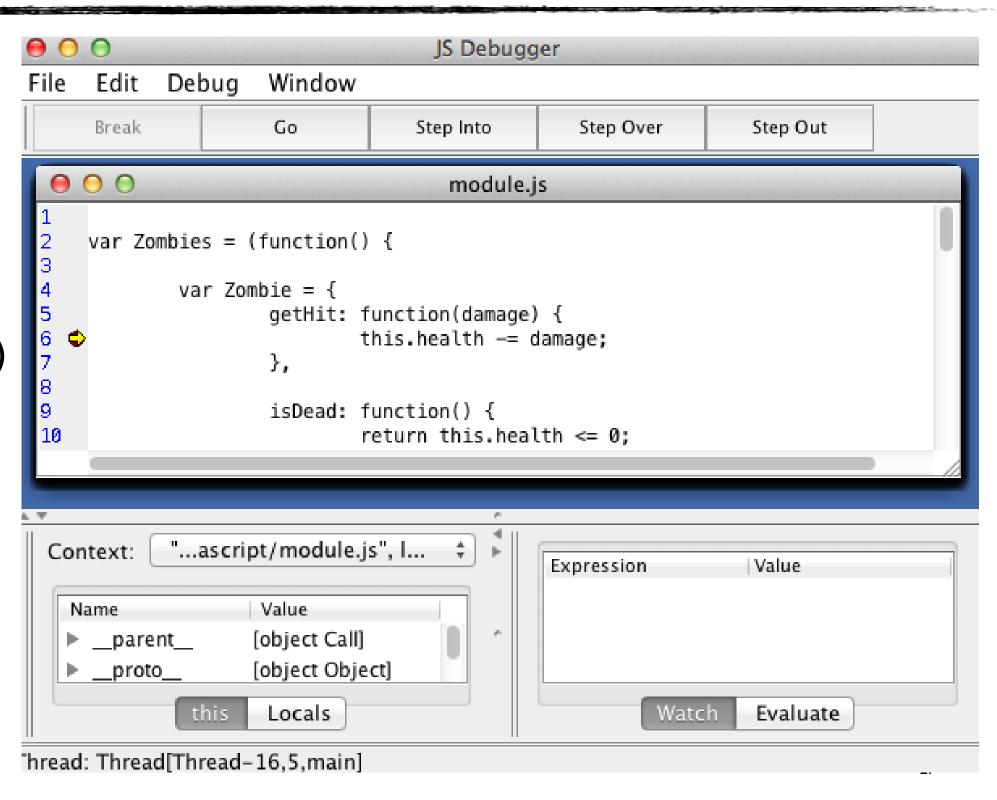
#### Option #2 — the Java test eq.



```
@RunWith(JasmineTestRunner.class)
@JasmineSuite(sources = { "module.js" }, sourcesRootDir = "src/main/javascript")
public class ModuleTest {
}
```

### Option #2 – "severe" disadvantages

- bad browser behavior emulation
- Requires a Java file for every spec file (for now)
- Debugging?
  @JasmineSuite(
   debug = true)
- Still slow



### Option #3 – a "real" headless browser

Run SpecRunners in Phantom/S



Use a custom reporter to rewrite Jasmine results into JUnit XML structure

■ Integrate in maven with exec-maven-plugin



# Option #3 – starting jasmine in phantom



```
page.open(specrunner, function(status) {
        if (status === "success") {
            utils.core.waitfor(function() { // wait for this to be true
                return page.evaluate(function() {
                    return typeof(jasmine.phantomjsXMLReporterPassed) !==
"undefined";
               });
            }, function() { // once done...
                            // Retrieve the result of the tests
```

### Option #3 – "severe" disadvantages

- JS runs in sandbox mode within phantom;
   no (easy) way to access objects from scope
- so not usable within JVM or JUnit directly (IDE)
- Debugging? Possibly worse...

Browser quirks can only be tested with



#### Conclusion

#### How should I test JS:

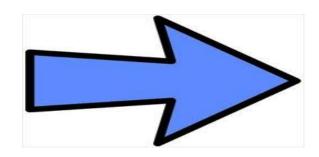
- Like you're used to: **test-first** with Jasmine (instead of JUnit) What should I test:
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- Domain logic use modules!
- UI logic use jQuery & custom matchers
- Browser specific quirks: with acceptance tests!

#### Conclusion

How should I integrate the whole thing:

- Use a headless browser which produces JUnit XML Reports
- Non-Ul tests can also be integrated in IDE with the jasmine JUnit runner



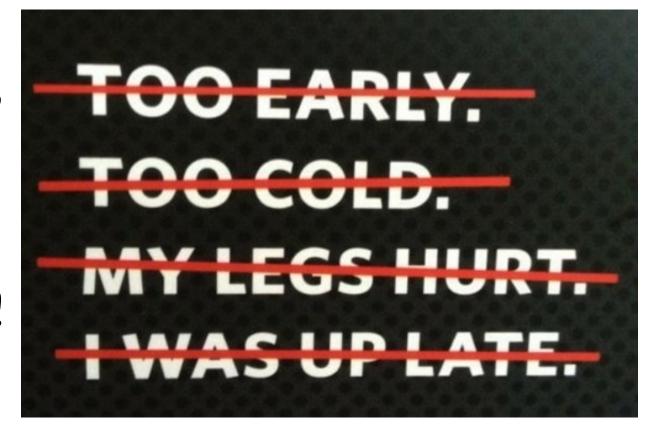




#### The "no excuses" slide

These are no valid excuses for not testing your JS stuff:

- I don't know how or what (you do now)
- "But it's only a small event handler" yeah, so?
- "But my JS has been covered by Selenium already!" - really?
- Browser specific quirks: with acceptance tests!
- But it was late and we had pizza and...





# Q&A

