# UNIT TESTING IN JAVA: JUNIT

**CSC 207 SOFTWARE DESIGN** 



# **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Be able to write unit tests in Java using Junit



#### FIRST YEAR TESTING

Mostly focused on unit testing: when you call a function, does it behave correctly?

Test case design:

How do we pick test cases?



# **SELECTING TEST CASES**

- Test for success
  - General cases, well-formatted input, boundary cases
  - Classics:
    - 0, 1, more
    - odd, even
    - beginning, middle, end
- Check for data structure consistency (representation invariants)
- Test for atypical behaviour
  - Does it handle invalid input (if required)?
  - Does it throw the exceptions it is supposed to?



# **UNIT TESTING**

- Unit testing follows a pattern
  - Lots of small, independent tests
  - Reports passes, failures, and errors
  - Some optional setup and teardown shared across tests
  - Aggregation (combine tests into test suites)
- We could accomplish all of this "by hand", but this common structure inspired the development of JUnit:
  - When you see a pattern, build a framework
  - Write shared code once
  - Make it easy for people to do things the right way



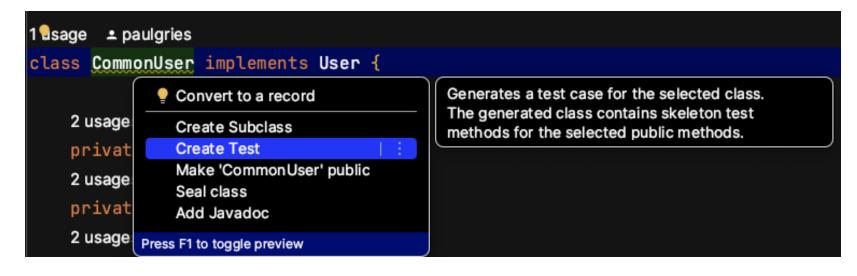
# **JUNIT**

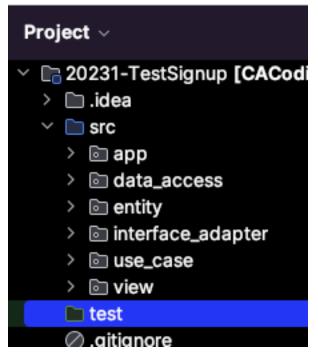
- Like pytest or unittest from Python
- You may encounter JUnit4 or JUnit5 when programming; they have very slight differences in syntax.
- We encourage you to explore <a href="https://github.com/junit-team/junit5">https://github.com/junit-team/junit5</a> and the documentation on Junit5 linked from there to learn more as you start writing tests.



#### **GENERATE JUNIT TESTS IN INTELLIJ**

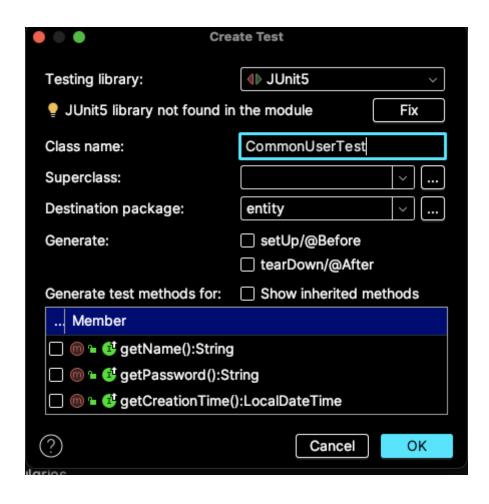
- 1. Create a test directory at the root of your project
  - Mark it as Test Sources Root
  - It will soon have the same package hierarchy as src
- 2. Select a class to test and choose Create Test







# **USING JUNIT IN INTELLIJ**



- We'll use JUnit5 here, but 4 is fine too
- Click "Fix" if you need to
- Select the methods to generate tests for



# **USING JUNIT IN INTELLIJ**

- This will be placed in the test/entity directory (but with empty bodies for you to fill in)
- @BeforeEach methods are called before every @Test method
- There is an @AfterEach as well

```
package entity;
class CommonUserTest {
  private CommonUser user;
  @BeforeEach
  void init() {
    user = new CommonUser(
          "Paul", "password", LocalDateTime.now());
  @ Test
  void getName() {
    assertEquals("Paul", user.getName());
  @ Test
  void getPassword() {
     assertEquals("password", user.getPassword());
```



# **TESTING CODE WITH EXCEPTIONS**

```
class Calculator {
class ExceptionDemoTest {
                                                                         public void divide(int i, int j) {
  @Test
                                                                           int result = i / j;
  void exceptionTest() {
     Calculator calculator = new Calculator();
     // Assert that the calculator.divide call throws an exception
     Exception exception = assertThrows(
          ArithmeticException.class,
          // This creates an anonymous method that gets called by the assertThrows method
          () -> calculator.divide(1, 0)
     assertEquals("/ by zero", exception.getMessage());
```



#### **SETUP AND TEARDOWN**

- There are three steps in running a test: setup, run, and teardown
- The setup phase is in a single method annotated with @BeforeEach
- The teardown phase is in a single method annotated with @AfterEach
- These are called before and after every test method
- The methods annotated with <code>@BeforeAll</code> run once before all test methods in that test class are executed, and those methods annotated with <code>@AfterAll</code> run once after.
- The <code>@Before\*</code> and <code>@After\*</code> methods are used to avoid repetition. For example, to create/destroy data structures required for more than one test method.



#### **ASSERTION METHODS**

- Single-Outcome Assertions
  - fail(); OR fail(msg);
- Stated Outcome Assertions
  - assertNotNull(object); OR assertNotNull(msg, object);
  - assertTrue(booleanEx);
     OR assertTrue(msg, booleanEx);
- Equality Assertions
  - assertEquals(exp, act); OR assertEquals(msg, exp, act);
- Fuzzy Equality Assertions (for floating-point numbers)
  - assertEquals(msg, expected, actual, tolerance);
- https://junit.org/junit5/docs/current/api/org.junit.jupiter.api/org/junit/jupiter/api/Assertions.html



#### **TEST-DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT**

- Try writing your tests first!
- Then your tests:
  - are based on requirements rather than code
  - determine the code you need to write
- Later, if you think of a situation that your code doesn't handle, add a test for it
- This approach aids in the definition of requirements
- It provides tangible evidence of progress

