Basics of programming 3

Unit tests in Java: JUnit



Unit tests

- Verification and validation has many levels
 - □ system tests
 - □ integration tests
 - □ unit tests
 - □ etc
- Testing a single unit is unit test
 - □ units in OO are class and object
- Automatism and repeatability are important
 - □ regression tests



Unit testing

- Small part of the software is tested
 - □ Single class or method
 - □ Each and every non-trivial method
- Tests are independent
 - □ Tests are stateless
- Developer and tester should be different persons



Unit testing – classical approach

- Code review
 - □ Useful if rules are observed
 - □ Not enough
- Manual testing
 - Develop tester applications
 - □ Simple
 - □ Becomes unmaintainable with time
 - Test are not organised
 - Results are not coherent



Unit testing – manual approach

- System.out.println()
 - □ Continuous diagnostic messages
 - □ Simple
 - □ Code is full with println-s
 - how to turn off?
 - ☐ Output tends to be unreadable
 - ☐ Manual control is needed



Unit testing – manual approach

- Debugger
 - □ IDE support for observing variables
 - □ Slow
 - □ Cumbersome for complex (multithreaded) applications
 - ☐ Has to be done after each change
 - □ Still manual



Unit testing – frameworks

- XUnit for many languages and environments
 - □ CppUnit (C++)
 - □ unittest (python)
 - □ etc.
- JUnit
 - □ open source Java testing framework
 - □ available as a JAR file
 - □ tests are written in Java
 - □ IDE-s provide built-in support
 - separate windows, perspectives, etc



JUnit features

- Assertions for testing expected results
 - □ standard result checks
- Test fixtures for sharing common test data
 - □ common functionality written once
- Test runners for running tests
 - □ automated testing
 - □ regression is easy



JUnit example

Simple integer implementation

```
public class MyInt {
    private int value;
    public MyInt(int aValue) {
       value = aValue;
    }
    public void add(MyInt anInt) {
       value += anInt.getValue();
    }
    public int getValue() {
       return value;
    }
}
```



Example test

- Simple test naïve
 - ☐ Create some objects testing context, fixture
 - Send messages to those objects
 - □ Verify some assertions

```
public class MyTest {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        MyInt m1 = new MyInt(5);
        MyInt m2 = new MyInt(30);
        Initialization
        m1.add(m2);
        if (m1.getValue() != 35)
            System.out.println("sum failed");
        if (m2.getValue() != 30)
            System.out.println("m2 failed");
        Check
}}
```



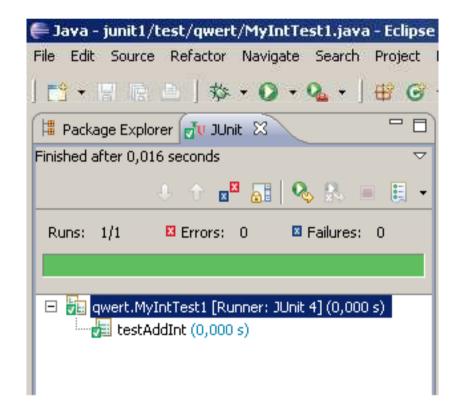
Example Junit test

```
public class MyIntTest1 {
       MyInt m1, m2;
       @Before
       public void setUp() {
         m1 = new MyInt(5);
                                       Initialization
         m2 = new MyInt(30);
       @Test
                                                 Check
       public void testAddInt() {
         m1.add(m2);
Test run
         assertEquals("sum Test", 35, m1.getValue());
         assertEquals("m2 Test", 30, m2.getValue());
```



JUnit in Eclipse

- Java Build Path/Libraries/Add Library/Junit 4
- Run As/Junit Test





Test method

- Constraints
 - □ Each test is implemented as a method
 - □ It takes no parameters and returns no value
 - ☐ Test methods must be public
 - □ Annotated by @Test
 - Test order is undefined but deterministic
 - order not known, but always the same



Fixtures

- Intro
 - combine tests for a common set of objects
 - □e.g. initialization, clean-up etc
 - □ tests don't share the objects
 - each test separately tests its own set of objects
 - □ common objects are instance variables



Fixtures 2

- Types
 - □ @Before
 - called before each test: builds the context
 - □ @After
 - called after each test: tears down the context
 - □ @BeforeClass / @Afterclass
 - called before first test / after last test
 - for resource-intensive objects and initialization



Fixtures and tests

- Execution order for two tests:
 - @BeforeClass methods
 - @Before methods
 - @Test method #1
 - @After methods
 - @Before methods
 - @Test method #2
 - @After methods
 - @AfterClass methods



Testing results

msg is printed when fail

- How to check if result is correct?
 - static void assertTrue([String msg,] boolean condition)
 - static void assertFalse([String msg,] boolean condition)
 - static void assertNull([String msg,] Object object)
 - static void assertNotNull([String msg,] Object object)
 - static void assertSame([String msg,] Object exp, Object act)
 - static void assertNotSame([String msg,] Object unexp, Object act)
 - static void assertEquals([String msg,] X exp, X act)
 - static void assertArrayEquals([String msg,] X exp, X act)
 - static void fail([String msg])



Running tests

- Command line
 - java org.junit.runner.JUnitCore TestClass1
 [...other test classes...]
- Inside application
 - org.junit.runner.JUnitCore.
 runClasses(TestClass1.class, ...);
- Inside IDE
 - □ click on *run tests*...



Test results

- Success
- Failure
 - □ result is different from expected
 - □ tests fail if any assertion fails
- Error
 - □ unexpected exception was thrown
- Ignore
 - □ test was ignored (assume or @Ignore)



Test results 2

Expecting exceptions

```
@Test(expected=NumberFormatException.class) ...
```

Setting timeout

```
@Test(timeut=100) ...
```

Ignoring test

```
@Ignore("some message") @Test ...
```

- □ using assumeXXX method changes fails into ignores
 - assertNotNull(obj) → assumeNotNull(obj)



Rules

- Same init for different test classes
 - □ put code into subclass of *ExternalResource*
 - public void before(): runs before each test
 - public void after(): runs after each test
 - newly constructed for each test
 - □ add resource class to test

```
@Rule public ExternalResource resource =
    new MyExternalResource();
```

□ class level rules (like BeforeClass, etc)

```
@ClassRule ...
```



Subclassing test classes

- Test execution for subclass tests
 - bottom-up in inheritance hierarchy
- Before execution
 - □ top-down in inheritance hierarchy
- After execution
 - □ bottom-up in inheritance hierarchy



Parameterized testing

- For same test with different parameters
 - □ instances are created for the cross-product of the test methods and the test data elements

```
@RunWith(value = Parameterized.class)
public class ParamTest {
   private int a, b;
   public ParamTest(int a1, int b1) {a = a1; b = b1;}
   @Parameters public static Collection<Object[]> data() {
     return Arrays.asList(new Object[][]{{1,5},{4,9},{2,7}});
   }
   @Test public void runTest() {Assert.assertTrue(a < b);}
}</pre>
```



Creating test suites

Grouping tests together



Categories of tests

- Tests can be annotated with categories
- Categories are simple annotations
- Tests can be category-annotated both on method and class level

```
@Category(categoryType1.class)
```



Category example

```
category markers
public interface FastTests{} _
public interface SlowTests {}
public class A {
  @Test public void a() { ... }
  @Category(SlowTests.class)
  @Test public void b() { ... }
@Category({SlowTests.class, FastTests.class})
public class B {
  @Test public void c() { ... }
```



Categories used in suites

In test suites one can select a set of categories

```
@RunWith(Categories.class)
@IncludeCategory(SlowTests.class)
@ExcludeCategory(FastTests.class)
@SuiteClasses({ A.class, B.class })
public class SlowTestSuite {
    // Will run only test annotated
    // with SlowTests in test cases A and B
}
```



JUnit conventions

- Separate tests from sources
 - ☐ Usually separare directories (**src** vs. **test**)
 - ☐ Final application doesn't contain tests
- Test classes in same package as tested classes
 - ☐ Allows tests to access package, protected members
- For each tested class a single test class
 - □ Not a strict rule ☺



Concurrent testing

- Testing concurrent classes is hard
 - □ help: *ConcurrentUnit*
 - 1. Create a Waiter
 - 2. Use Waiter, await to block the main test thread.
 - Use the Waiter.assert calls from any thread to perform assertions.
 - Once expected assertions are completed, use Waiter.resume call to unblock the main thread.



Test coverage

- How much of the code is tested?
 - □ coverage = tested / total
 - □ including exceptions
 - □ static vs dynamic check
 - are all paths tested?
- Goal: 100% coverage
 - □ bugs might still remain ⊗

