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Lecture 4

Unit Testing

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Testing

Stone age testing: debug output (`println...`)

- Testing done manually
- Tests run by developer only, get removed/lost later
- No automated (regression) tests
- No metrics about test coverage
- No “safety net” for refactoring

Test automation

Extreme programming (XP) popularized the notion of test-driven development

- required tool support

DevOps and related practices emphasizes code quality through

- Continuous integration
- Test become essential part of the code base
- Writing (unit) tests now closely related with development

JUnit History

JUnit is a (the most?) popular unit testing framework for Java.

- Kent Beck developed the first xUnit automated test tool for Smalltalk in mid-90's
- Kent Beck and Erich Gamma (one of the Design Patterns GoF) developed JUnit on a flight from Zurich to Washington, D.C.
- Martin Fowler: "Never in the field of software development was so much owed by so many to so few lines of code."
- First release: 2000(?)
- JUnit 4.0: 2006
- JUnit 5.0: September 2017

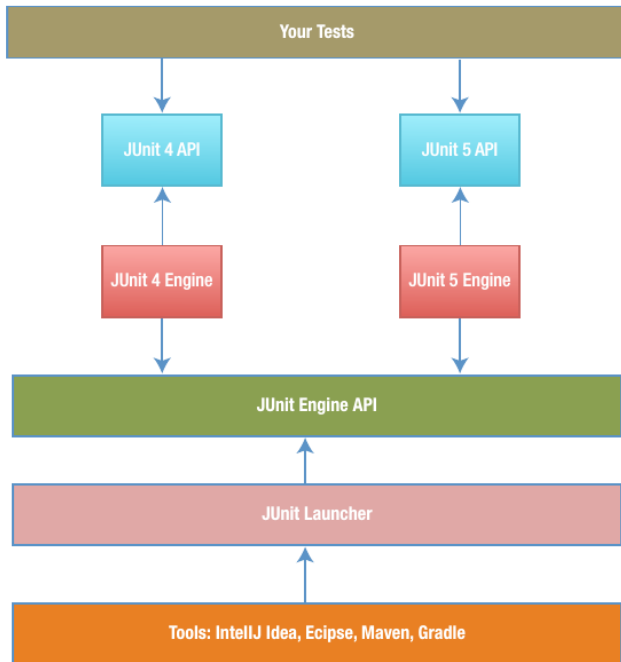
```
import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.assertEquals;
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;

class FirstJUnit5Tests {
    @Test
    void myFirstTest() {
        assertEquals(2, 1 + 1);
    }
}
```

Definitions

- A **test runner** is software that runs tests and reports results.
Many implementations: standalone GUI, command line, integrated into IDE (e.g., Eclipse)
- A **test suite** is a collection of test cases.
- A **test case** tests the response of a single method to a particular set of inputs.
- A **unit test** is a test of the smallest element of code you can sensibly test, usually a single class.
- A **test fixture** is the environment in which a test is run. A new fixture is set up before each test case is executed, and torn down afterwards.
E.g., creating a database with some entries required for the test.

JUnit Architecture



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JUnit supports a number of code annotations

- `@Test` Denotes that a method is a test method (JUnit 4 provides additional attributes)
- `@BeforeEach` runs a method before each test (to setup test fixture) (`@Before` in JUnit 4)
- `@AfterEach` runs a method after each test (to tear down test fixture) (`@After` in JUnit 4)
- `@BeforeAll` runs a method once, before all tests (`@BeforeClass` in JUnit 4)
- `@AfterAll` runs a method once after all tests to tear down test fixture (`@AfterClass` in JUnit 4)

Test Coding

- Tests are not executed in any defined order
- Hence, JUnit tests must be **independent** of each other (e.g., you cannot use one test method to create an object that you check in a second test method)
- Test **one** property per method (can have multiple assertions, e.g., for different fields of an object)


```
import static org.junit.jupiter.api.Assertions.fail;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.AfterAll;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.AfterEach;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.BeforeAll;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.BeforeEach;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Disabled;
```

```
import org.junit.jupiter.api.Test;
```

A Standard Test Class (II)

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```
class StandardTests {
    @BeforeAll
    static void initAll() { ... }

    @BeforeEach
    void init() { ... }

    @Test
    void succeedingTest() { ... }

    @Test
    void failingTest() {
        fail("a_failing_test");
    }

    @Test
    @Disabled("for_demonstration_purposes")
    void skippedTest() {
        // not executed
    }

    @AfterEach
    void tearDown() { ... }

    @AfterAll
    static void tearDownAll() { ... }
}
```

Java Assert

AssertStatement:

```
assert booleanExpression ;  
assert booleanExpression : errorMessage ;
```

Working with Java assert

Compare

```
assert names.remove(null) ;
```

VS

```
boolean nullsRemoved = names.remove(null) ;  
assert nullsRemoved;
```

Coding Guidelines

- Assertions in Java are **turned off** by default (need `java -ea`)
- Your code must run correctly without assertions
- Production code generally must not terminate

```
public class AssertionsTest {  
  
    @Test  
    public void test() {  
        String obj1 = "junit";  
        String obj2 = "junit";  
        String obj3 = "test";  
        String obj4 = "test";  
        String obj5 = null;  
        int var1 = 1;  
        int var2 = 2;  
        int[] arithmetic1 = { 1, 2, 3 };  
        int[] arithmetic2 = { 1, 2, 3 };  
  
        assertEquals(obj1, obj2);  
        assertSame(obj3, obj4);  
        assertNotSame(obj2, obj4);  
        assertNotNull(obj1);  
        assertNull(obj5);  
        assertTrue(var1 == var2);  
        assertEquals(arithmetic1, arithmetic2);  
    }  
}
```

Old-Style Assertions

Separate assertion statements, e.g.

```
assertEquals(expected, actual);
```

or

```
assertEquals(expected, actual, string);
```

Note: the correct (expected) result comes *before* the computed result

New Style: Hamcrest Matchers (since JUnit 4.4)

Only using `assertThat` plus different *matchers*

```
assertThat(actual, is(equalTo(expected)));
```

or

```
assertThat(string, actual, is(equalTo(expected)));
```

Advantages: better error messages, type safety, improved readability, extendable matchers

Use the Hamcrest matchers for all new tests you write!

<https://objectpartners.com/2013/09/18/the-benefits-of-using-assertthat-over-other-assert-methods-in-unit-tests/>

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```
static import org.hamcrest.CoreMatchers
```

- allOf()
- any()
- anyOf()
- anything()
- describedAs()
- equalTo()
- instanceOf()
- is()
- not()
- notNullValue()
- nullValue()
- sameInstance()

Examples

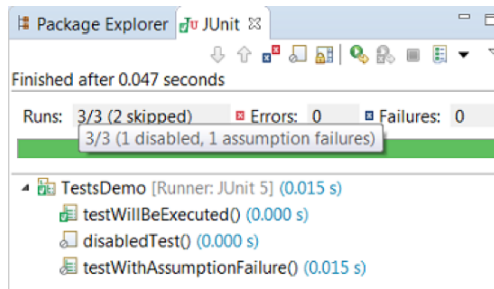
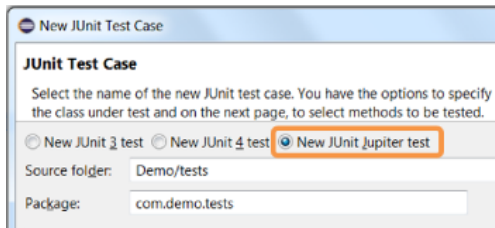
```
assertThat(actual, is(expected));  
assertThat(actual, is(not(expected)));
```

Eclipse

Eclipse has support for

- creating and
- running JUnit tests

(refer to the documentation for your Eclipse release (e.g., Neon or Oxygen))



(refer to the documentation for your version of Eclipse)

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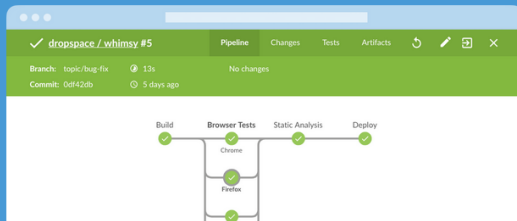
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Test Result : LODeXporterTest

0 failures (±0)

6 tests (±0)
[Took 41 sec.](#)

All Tests

Test name	Duration	Status
testGetCustomURI	12 sec	Passed
testGetMappingFile	0.4 sec	Passed
testInitConflict	50 ms	Passed
testInitFail	4 ms	Passed
testReInit	0.77 sec	Passed
testRunPR	2.5 sec	Passed

Calculating Test Coverage

Need to know the [coverage](#) of the unit tests

JaCoCo

JaCoCo (Java Code Coverage Library) is an open source tool for computing test coverage through byte code analysis when running unit tests.

Jacoco Report Example

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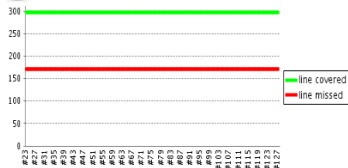
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Overall Coverage Summary

name	instruction	branch	complexity	line	method	class
all	55%	47%	50%	63%	79%	86%
classes	M: 1057 C: 1314	M: 97 C: 85	M: 88 C: 88	M: 171 C: 297	M: 17 C: 63	M: 1 C: 6

Coverage Breakdown by Package

name	instruction	branch	complexity	line	method	class
Info.semanticssoftware.lodexporter	M: 708 C: 719 50%	M: 65 C: 53 45%	M: 61 C: 57 48%	M: 110 C: 157 59%	M: 13 C: 41 76%	M: 1 C: 5 83%
Info.semanticssoftware.lodexporter.tdb	M: 349 C: 595 63%	M: 32 C: 32 50%	M: 27 C: 31 53%	M: 61 C: 140 70%	M: 4 C: 22 85%	M: 0 C: 1 100%

Jacoco Report: Method Details

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name	instruction	branch	complexity	line	method
TDBTripleStoreImpl()	M: 0 C: 6 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 2 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
addPropertyToSubject(Map, Resource, String)	M: 32 C: 31 49%	M: 3 C: 3 50%	M: 3 C: 1 25%	M: 4 C: 5 56%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
beginTransaction(TripleStoreInterface.TransactionType)	M: 0 C: 13 100%	M: 0 C: 2 100%	M: 0 C: 2 100%	M: 0 C: 4 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
connect()	M: 0 C: 15 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 3 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
connect(String)	M: 16 C: 0 0%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 1 C: 0 0%	M: 3 C: 0 0%	M: 1 C: 0 0%
disconnect()	M: 0 C: 18 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 4 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
endTransaction()	M: 0 C: 7 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 3 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
exportTriplesToFile(String)	M: 55 C: 26 32%	M: 6 C: 2 25%	M: 4 C: 1 20%	M: 2 C: 6 75%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
getPropertyMappings(String)	M: 0 C: 15 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 5 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
getRelationMappings(String)	M: 0 C: 16 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 5 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%
getSubjectMappings(String)	M: 0 C: 8 100%	M: 0 C: 0 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%	M: 0 C: 2 100%	M: 0 C: 1 100%

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```
485:
486:     /* (non-Javadoc)
487:      * @see info.semanticsoftware.lodexporter.TripleStoreInterface#exportTriplesToFile(java.lang.String)
488:      */
489:     @Override
490:     public final void exportTriplesToFile(final String fileName) {
491:         model = dataset.getDefaultModel();
492:         try (FileOutputStream os = new FileOutputStream(fileName)) {
493:             RDFDataMgr.write(os, model, RDFFormat.NQUADS_UTF8);
494:         } catch (IOException e) {
495:             LOGGER.error("Error writing triples to file: " + fileName, e);
496:             throw new GateRuntimeException("Error writing triples to file: " + fileName, e);
497:         }
498:     }
499: }
```

Conclusions

- Start writing tests [at the same time](#) as you implement your classes
- May influence class design to improve [testability](#)
- Added initial development effort, but:
- experience shows significant return on investment due to [improved code quality](#)
- Increases individual and team confidence in code base
- Prerequisite for modern release workflows

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