

# Spring Testing Best practices



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### Use the tools available: Dependencies

### Most importantly:

• JUnit: classical unit testing framework for Java



Mockito: mock framework, can also be used for Spring



Spring test: provides test contexts and utilities for testing

```
<dependency>
  <groupId>org.springframework</groupId>
  <artifactId>spring-test</artifactId>
   <version>4.2.2.RELEASE</version>
   <scope>test</scope>
</dependency>
```

### Use the tools available: Assertions

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The spring framework provides its own assertions, e.g. *ModelAndViewAssert* 

assertViewName(ModelAndView mav, String expectedName)

Check whether the correct view was returned from the controller (for example the result page or an error page)

assertModelAttributeValue(ModelAndView mav, Object modelName, Object expectedValue)

Check whether a given attribute was added to the model and furthermore if it is equal to the expected value

### Use the tools available: Mocks

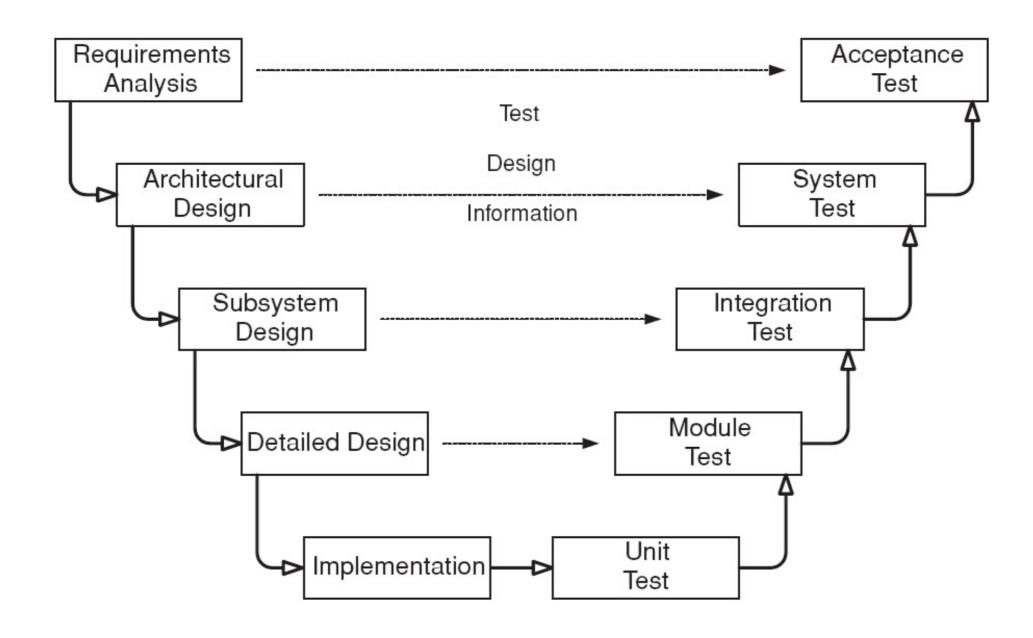
MockMvc mockMvc = webAppContextSetup(wac).build();

```
this.mockMvc.perform(post("/create")
.param("email", "john@doe.com")
.param("firstName", "John")
.param("lastName", "Doe"))
.andExpect(status().isOk())
.andExpect(model().attributeExists("page_error"));
```

Create mock POST request and perform assertions on results

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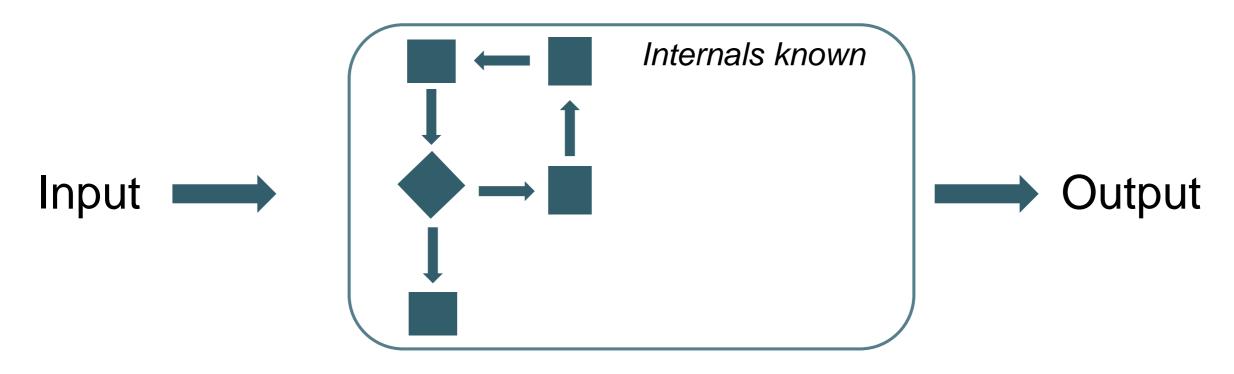
### Unit testing vs. Integration testing



### White-box testing

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- Test internal structures
- Testing with knowledge of code in mind
  - Throwing of specific exceptions
  - All code paths (coverage)



### Black-box testing

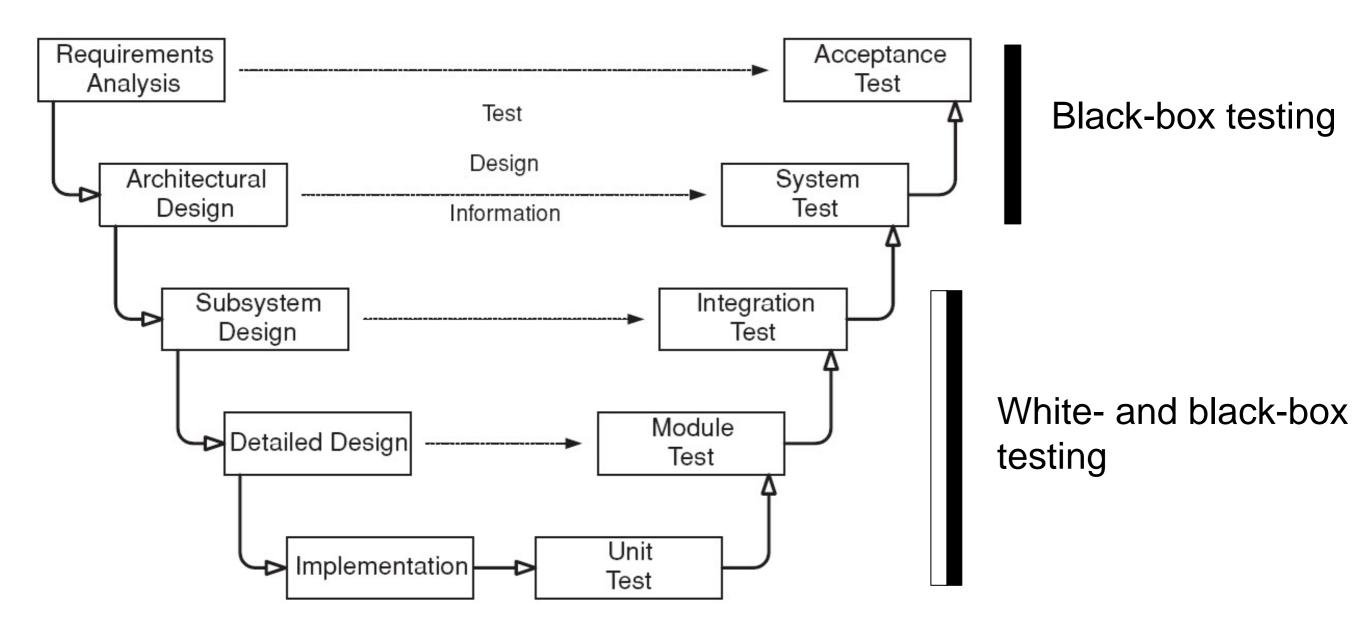
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- Only test using input and output
- Internal structures not known or not relevant
- What the software does instead of how it does it
- Test cases derived from requirements or external specification



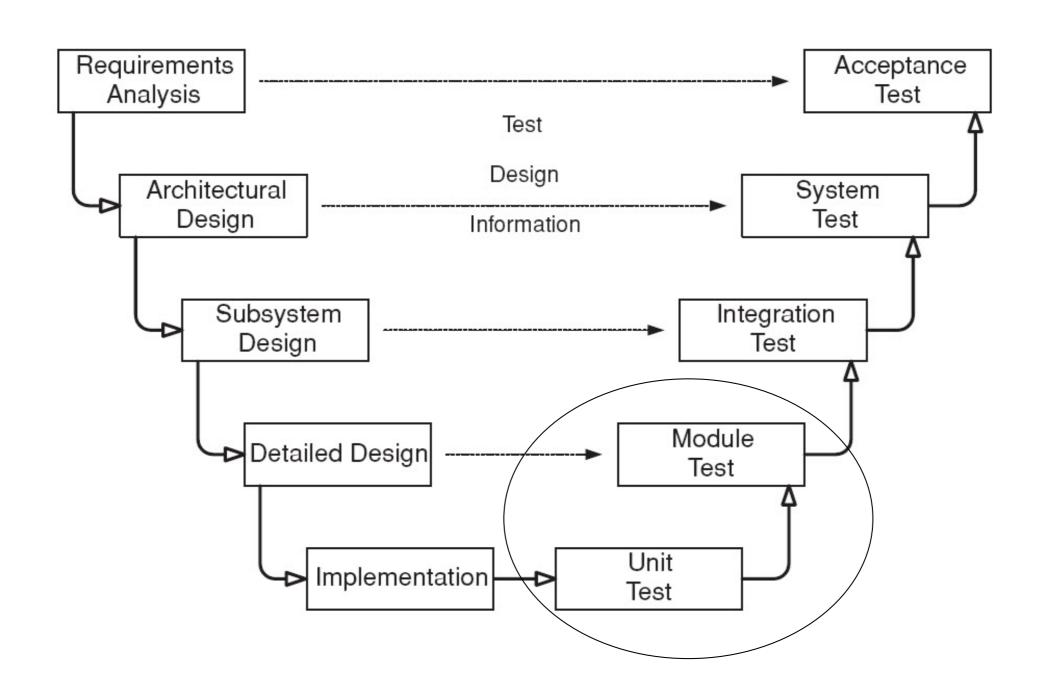
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### Unit testing vs. Integration testing



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- True unit tests require more work to set up in Spring
  - Configuration needs to be provided
  - Autowired dependencies need to be mocked

@Autowired
private OrderService orderService;

- Also possible: integration testing
  - Including parts or the entire original application context

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### Testing services

- Test only service layer
- Mock out the data access objects (e.g. with Mockito)
- Independent of database, can be run on any system

```
@RunWith(SpringJUnit4ClassRunner.class)
@ContextConfiguration
public class AccountServiceTest {

    @Autowired
    private AccountService accountService;

    private AccountDao accountRepository;

    // ...
}
```

```
@Before
public void setup() {
    Account account =
        new Account("john", "john@doe.com");

    Mockito.when(
        accountRepository.findByUsername("john"))
        .thenReturn(account);
}
```

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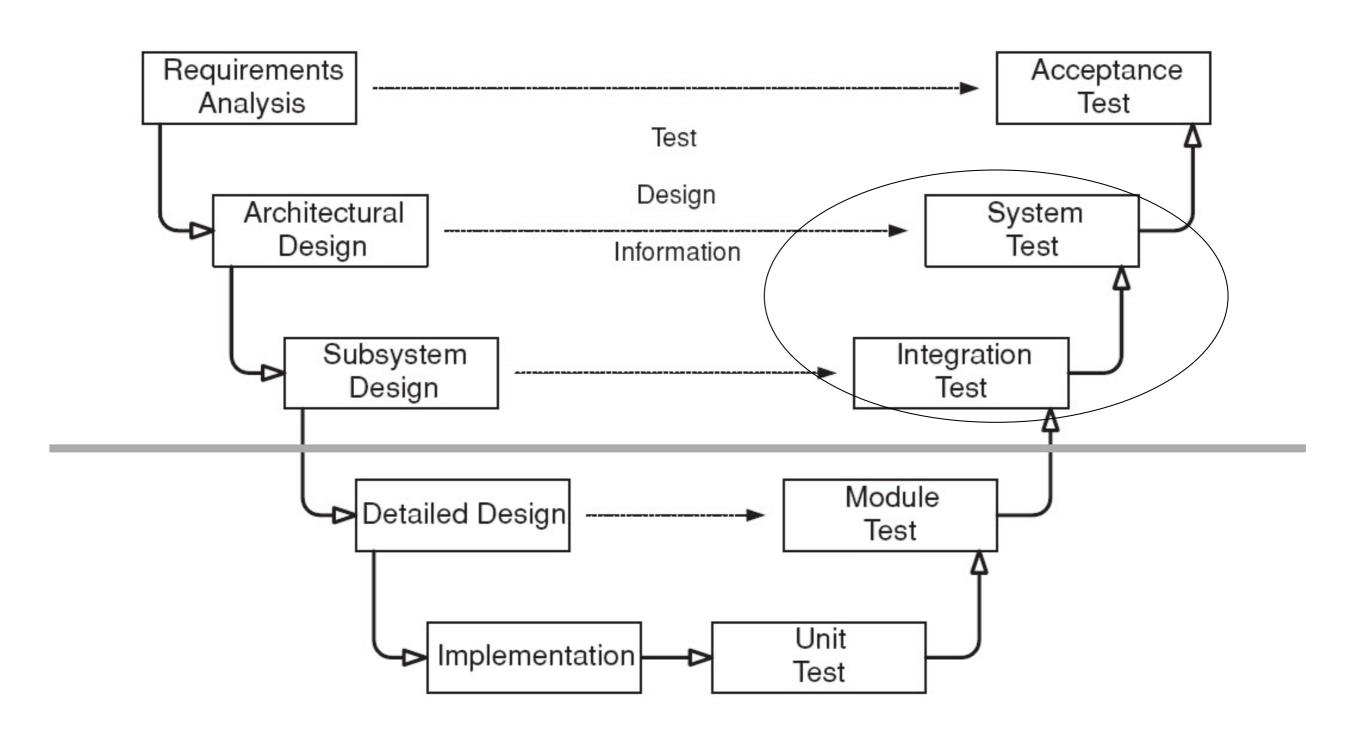
### Testing controllers

- Test only controller, mock out services
- Test whether correct view name (i.e. JSP page) is returned
- Test whether correct exception thrown
- Test whether JSON data is returned and has right form

### For example:

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### Testing controllers and services



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### Testing controllers and services

- Test controllers and services together
- Integration test
- Several stages possible:
  - Test controllers and services with mocked data access layer
  - Test controllers and services completely without mocks (run on real database)

```
mockMvc.perform(get("/"))

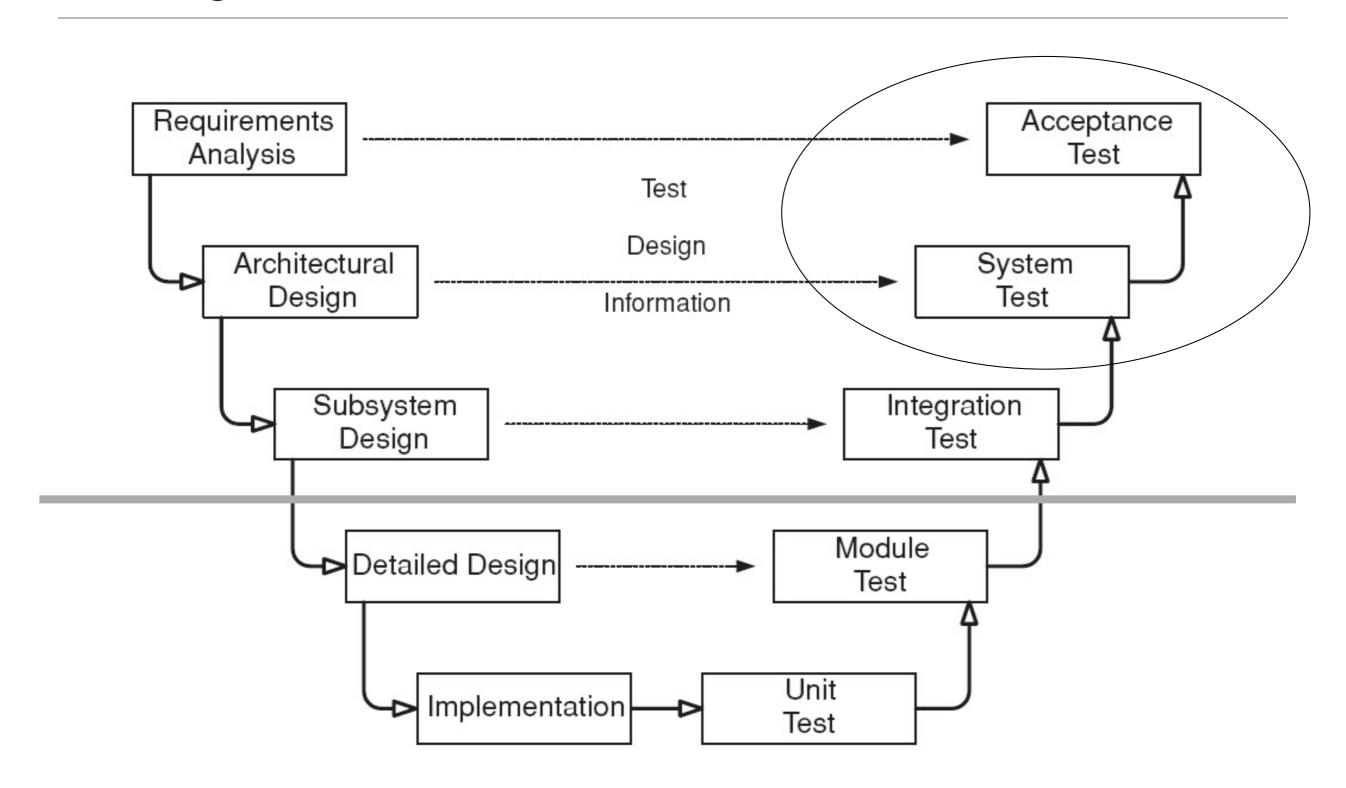
.andExpect(status().isOk())

.andExpect(view().name("todo/list"))

.andExpect(model().attribute("todos", hasSize(4)));
```

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### Testing controllers and services



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### Testing JSP pages

- Short answer: should not really be necessary!
- JSP pages are only views, should not contain code that needs to be tested
- Such code generally belongs in the controller
- Controller tests: only test for correct view name
- However: It can make sense to test view, e.g. with Selenium



### Selenium

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- Implemented as Firefox Add-On
- Automated tests from the user perspective
- Recorded directly in the browser (XPath expressions possible)
- Many possible actions: follow links, fill out forms etc.
- Actions can be replayed in the browser
- Can be used together with Jenkins (continuous integration server)

Jenkins

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### Selenium

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- Agile Software Assessment
- · Software Evolution Working Group

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#### Autumn Semester 2015

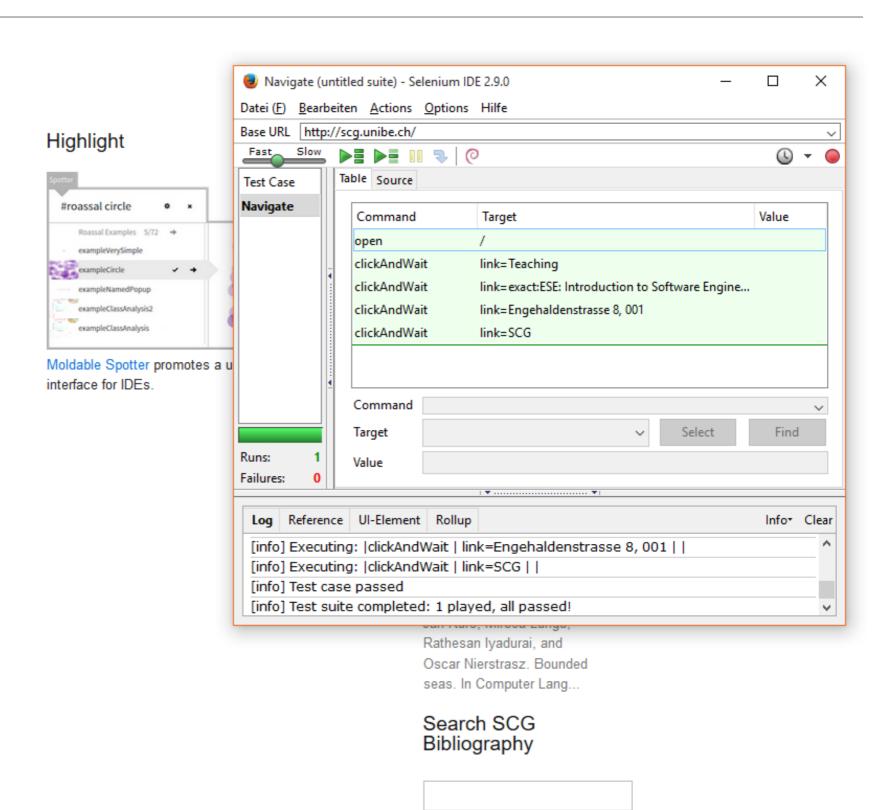
- . El: Einführung in die Informatik (Bachelors)
- ESE: Introduction to Software Engineering (Einführung in SE) (Bachelors)
- CP: Concurrency: State Models and Design Patterns (Masters)

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- P2: Programming 2 (Bachelors)
- PL: Programming Languages (Masters)

#### Projects

· Masters & Bachelor Projects



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### **Useful Links**

#### Black-box testing / white-box testing

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black-box\_testing https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/White-box\_testing

### **Spring unit testing**

http://docs.spring.io/spring/docs/current/spring-framework-reference/html/unit-testing.html

#### **Spring integration testing**

http://docs.spring.io/spring/docs/current/spring-framework-reference/html/integration-testing.html

#### ModelAndViewAssert documentation

http://docs.spring.io/spring-

framework/docs/2.5.x/api/org/springframework/test/web/ModelAndViewAssert.html

#### MockMVC documentation

https://docs.spring.io/spring/docs/current/javadoc-api/org/springframework/test/web/servlet/MockMvc.html

#### **Selenium**

http://www.seleniumhq.org/projects/ide/