

# Testing Kotlin at Scale: Spek



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talk passing

# - Productivity



- Productivity
- **Reviewability**



- Productivity
- Reviewability
- **Maintainability**



- **Patterns**
- **Principles**
- **OOP/FP**
- **Common Sense**





*But*



# **We focus on production code**





When it comes to test code



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Aren't we being hypocrite to ourselves?

Do we *really* understand how much  
**Effort** do we put in Tests?



**There is a simple  
metric though**



Tests can **actually**  
take more LOCs than  
production code



# RxJava (library):

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Retrofit:  $4,9 / 2,8 = 1,75 \times$



!



**Is there something  
common between  
these projects?**



# - **Assertion libraries**



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- Mocking libraries



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# Test framework though?



# They all use JUnit (4)

And it works



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- Everybody is familiar with it
- It's a standard.

# But it has problems



# “Code Repetition”



```

@Test
fun updateCoarseLocationSync_Foregrounded() {
    `when` (appForegroundDetector.isForegrounded).thenReturn(true)

    val first = AndroidLocationBuilder()
        .withProvider(AndroidLocation.Provider.FUSED)
        .withLat(0.0)
        .withLng(0.0)
        .withTime(1L)
        .build()
    locationIngestService.updateCoarseLocationSync(first)

    val argumentCaptor = ArgumentCaptor.forClass(IngestLocationsRequestDT0::class.java)
    verify(locationIngestApi, times(1)).postLocations(argumentCaptor.capture())

    val value = argumentCaptor.value

    assertThat(value).isNotNull()
    assertThat(value.locations).isNotNull().hasSize(1)
    assertThat(value.locations[0]).isNotNull()
    assertThat(value.locations[0].source).isEqualTo(Location.SIGNIFICANT_LOCATION_CHANGE_FG)
}

```



```

@Test
fun updateCoarseLocationSync_NotForegrounded() {
    `when` (appForegroundDetector.isForegrounded).thenReturn(false)

    val first = AndroidLocationBuilder()
        .withProvider(AndroidLocation.Provider.FUSED)
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# “Test case/context naming”





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Still bad 🐱💧

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**“What does this test  
test?”**



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4 checks 🐱💧





Some motivation speech here



# Spek

# Spek v0, 2012

Commits on Dec 15, 2012



**Redone project due to failure**  
hhariri committed on Dec 15, 2012



**ab43a96**



Newer

Older



# Spek v0, 2012

Tree: **ab43a96b5** ▾


**spek** / **lib** /

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History

 **hhariri** Redone project due to failure

Latest commit ab43a96 on Dec 15, 2012

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Hadi Hariri @JetBrains



Spek v0, 2012

Kotlin 0.4.297



Spek v0, 2012

## FAQ

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### Q: What is Kotlin?

[Kotlin](#) is an Apache 2 OSS Language targetted at the JVM and JavaScript and is developed by [JetBrains](#) It is aimed at being a concise modern language for general use. It also rocks!

### Q: Is Kotlin free to use?

While this is not a Kotlin FAQ, it is important to note that Kotlin is free to use and you can use the command line or the Community Edition of IntelliJ to develop with it (which is free and OSS). Obviously IntelliJ Ultimate also works! There's also an Eclipse plugin in the works. Check the project site for updates.



# Spek v0, 2012

```
8 spec public fun calculatorSpecs() {
9
10     given("a calculator")
11     {
12         val calculator = Calculator()
13
14         on("calling sum with two numbers")
15         {
16
17             val sum = calculator.sum(2, 4)
18
19
20             it("should return the result of adding the first number to the second number")
21             {
22                 shouldEqual(6, sum)
23             }
24         }
25     }
26 }
```



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Spek v1.0.25, 2016

We started to feel JUnit 4 problems really badly



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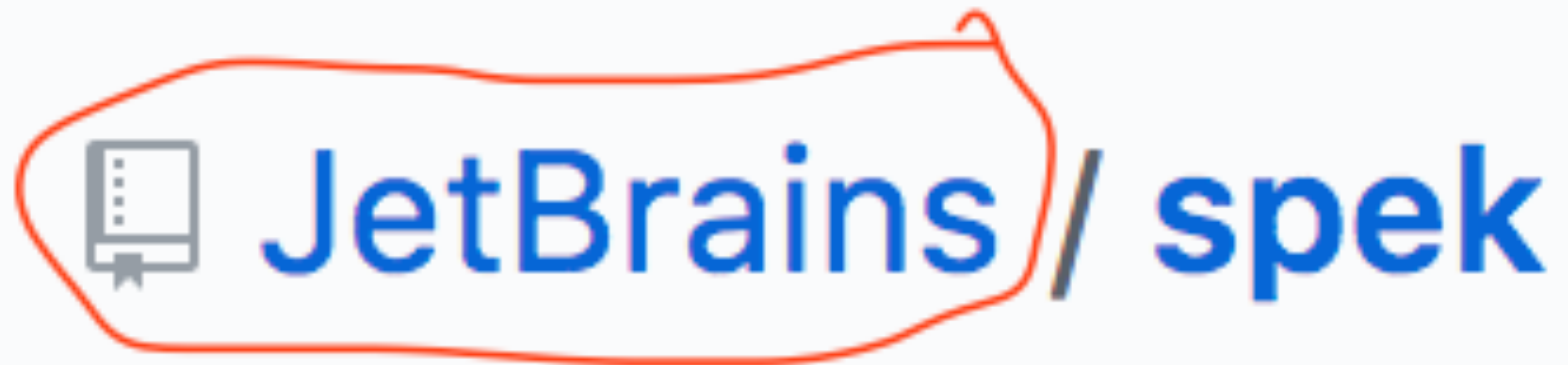
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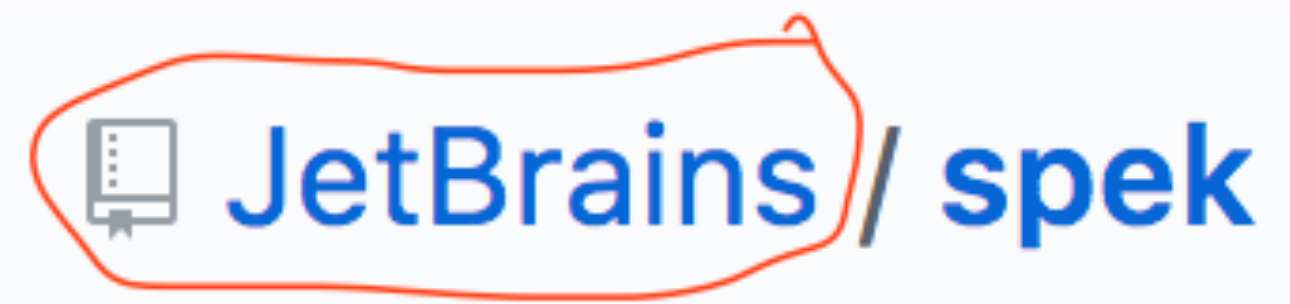
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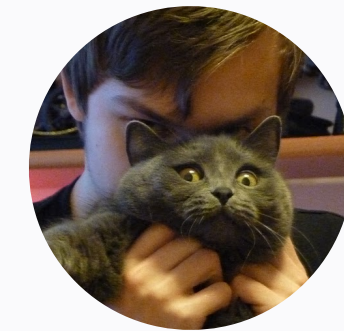
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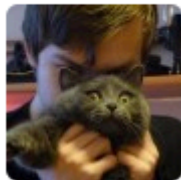
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## #170

Edit

New issue

 **Open** artem-zinnatullin opened this issue on Jan 24 · 7 comments



artem-zinnatullin commented on Jan 24

Collaborator



Currently Spek has veery crazy versioning principles.

- We're currently on `1.0.25` which is known as pre-v1...
- `1.0.89+` known as post-v1, somewhere near to this version `DescribeBody` was renamed to `Dsl` , **compatibility broken**.
- `1.1.0-beta3` is version shown by badge in GitHub README, in this version `Dsl` was renamed to `SpecBody` , **compatibility broken again**.
- Spek website's [root page](#) says that current version is `1.0` , but there are **no jars** with such version.
- Spek website's [documentation page](#) points to *latest* version which is `1.1.0-beta3` while Spek website's [downloads page](#) points to `1.0` which is actually `1.0.89` .
- Also, there is `1.1.19` in both repos, but `1.1.0-beta3` pointed everywhere else as latest...
- And there is a [GitHub releases page](#) which only contains `1.1.0-beta3` and `v1` , no mentions of stable `1.0.89` or actually latest `v1.1.19` .

To get these versions you need to find [bintray repo](#) which is used in `build.gradle` in docs example, some artifacts are published to [jcenter](#) and 1.0.25 and some other versions live in internal [jetbrains repo](#).

I mean thank you for Spek, we have lots of specs in the project, but we're trying to migrate to *latest* Spek and this is just insane...



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Assignees



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Labels



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Projects



None yet

Milestone



2.0.0

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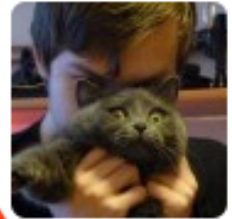
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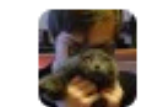
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I see what you did there, Hadi



# Spek 2.x

# Spek 2.x : BetterTestingFuture



```
class SuperTypicalJUnitTest {  
    val calculator = Calculator()  
  
    @Test  
    fun `2 + 4 = 6`() {  
        val result = calculator.add(2, 4)  
        assertEquals(6, result)  
    }  
}
```

```
class CalculatorSpec : Spek({  
    val calculator by memoized { Calculator() }  
    context("2 + 4") {  
        val result by memoized { calculator.add(2, 4) }  
        it("equals 6") {  
            assertEquals(6, result)  
        }  
    }  
})
```



# Spek: Basic API



```
context("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
context("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
describe("2 + 4") {  
}
```





```
context("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
describe("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
given("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
describe("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
context("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
given("2 + 4") {  
}
```

```
group("2 + 4")
```



group('') ~ Test class in JUnit



```
group('') ~= Test class in JUnit
```

You can nest groups **naturally**



```
it("equals 6") {  
    assertThat(result).isEqualTo(6)  
}
```

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`it('') = @Test` in JUnit

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You can have as many `it` in a `group` **as needed**

Groups and Tests create natural structure  
that scales very well



```
val calculator by memoized { Calculator() }
```



You avoid state sharing between tests with ``memoized``



Let's rewrite real JUnit test with Spek



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```



```
context("remove access token") {  
}
```



```
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    beforeEachTest {  
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    }  
}
```



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```
describe("first scope change") {  
}
```



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}
```





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```
describe("first scope change") {  
    val firstScopeChange by memoized { scopeManager.scopeChanges[0] }  
  
    it("is 'logged in' scope") {  
        assertThat(firstScopeChange.scope).isEqualTo(LOGGED_IN)  
    }  
  
    it("is not started") {  
        assertThat(firstScopeChange.started).isFalse()  
    }  
}
```

```

class JUnitTest {

    private var scopeManager = MockScopeManager()

    private val accessTokenRepository = AccessTokenRepository(
        RuntimeEnvironment.application,
        scopeManager
    )

    lateinit var scopeChange1: MockScopeManager.ScopeChange
    lateinit var scopeChange2: MockScopeManager.ScopeChange

    @Before
    fun `remove access token`() {
        accessTokenRepository.removeAccessToken()
        scopeChange1 = scopeManager.scopeChanges[0]
        scopeChange2 = scopeManager.scopeChanges[1]
    }

    @Test
    fun `first scope change is 'logged in' scope`() {
        assertThat(scopeChange1.scope).isEqualTo(LOGGED_IN)
    }

    @Test
    fun `first scope change is not started`() {
        assertThat(scopeChange1.started).isFalse()
    }

    @Test
    fun `second scope change is 'logged out' scope`() {
        assertThat(scopeChange2.scope).isEqualTo(LOGGED_OUT)
    }

    @Test
    fun `first scope change is started`() {
        assertThat(scopeChange2.started).isTrue()
    }
}

```

# JUnit is not structured, it's flat

Let's rewrite real JUnit test with Spek



```

class Spec : Spek({
    val scopeManager by memoized { MockScopeManager() }

    val accessTokenRepository by memoized {
        AccessTokenRepository(RuntimeEnvironment.application, scopeManager)
    }

    context("remove access token") {
        beforeEachTest {
            accessTokenRepository.removeAccessToken()
        }

        describe("first scope change") {
            val firstScopeChange by memoized { scopeManager.scopeChanges[0] }

            it("is 'logged in' scope") {
                assertThat(firstScopeChange.scope).isEqualTo(LOGGED_IN)
            }

            it("is not started") {
                assertThat(firstScopeChange.started).isFalse()
            }
        }

        describe("second scope change") {
            val secondScopeChange by memoized { scopeManager.scopeChanges[1] }

            it("is 'logged out' scope") {
                assertThat(secondScopeChange.scope).isEqualTo(LOGGED_OUT)
            }

            it("is started") {
                assertThat(secondScopeChange.started).isTrue()
            }
        }
    }
})

```

# Spek has structure

Let's rewrite real JUnit test with Spek



# Test code can be structured

with Spek

▼	OK	storing location to preferences	1ms
▼	OK	locationSource becomes GPS	1ms
▼	OK	new location arrives from GPS	1ms
▼	OK	app goes to background	1ms
	OK	it stores location to preferences	1ms
▶	OK	locationSource becomes Map	0ms
▶	OK	locationSource becomes Picker	0ms
▶	OK	combinations	215ms
▶	OK	accuracy	12ms
▶	OK	stickiness	20ms
▶	OK	emits	92ms

## Hierarchical Report in IntelliJ

Let's rewrite real JUnit test with Spek



# Spek Tips



## Spek Tips

You can iterate stuff





Iterate things, Spek is just a code

```
class StringExtensionsSpec : Spek({  
    listOf(null, "", " ", "\t").forEach { string ->  
        context("null or blank string '$string'") {  
            val isNullOrBlank by memoized { string.isNullOrBlank() }  
  
            it("is indeed null or blank") {  
                assertThat(isNullOrBlank, equalTo(true))  
            }  
        }  
    }  
})
```



when (spek) ?



# Spek 2.x release plans

Developer Preview by the end of November

Hopefully



# Spek 2.x release plans

~month is exactly enough to get sick of how we typically write tests



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End of November





# Thank you!



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