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Unit Testing with JUnit

Unit Testing

- ❑ A unit test is a piece of code that performs a test on another piece of code in isolation.
- ❑ Each unit test is independent from each other.
- ❑ A unit test can be executed automatically, without user intervention

Why write unit tests?

- ❑ It ensures the code works as expected
 - ❑ at the time the code is written
 - ❑ after subsequent changes
- ❑ Helps refactoring
- ❑ Works as documentation of tests

Unit Testing Myths

- ❑ Writing Unit tests takes a lot of time.
 - ❑ With a little of practice, take the same time as testing manually
 - ❑ In the long run, saves you a lot of time, helping you detect bugs introduced later in your code

JUnit

- Is the most popular Unit Testing Framework for Java
- 2 Versions available
 - 3.x
 - **4.x** (Requires Java 5) ← use this version

Writing Test Cases

- Import JUnit packages

```
import org.junit.*;  
import static org.junit.Assert.*;
```

- Each test method is annotated with `@Test`

```
@Test  
public void testAddBook()  
  
    // Write test code here...  
  
}
```

Class to be tested

```
public interface BookLibrary {  
    public boolean addBook(Book book);  
    public boolean removeBook(Book book);  
    public int getBookCount();  
    public Book searchBook(String isbn);  
    public List<Book> getSorted();  
}
```

Test Method

```
@Test
public void testAddBook() {
    Book book = new Book("1-930110-99-5", "JUnit in Action", "Vincent Massol");

    /* Initially, the library is empty */
    assertEquals(0, library.getBookCount());

    /* Add the book */
    boolean res = library.addBook(book);

    /* The book was added */
    assertTrue(res);

    /* The library now contain one book */
    assertEquals(1, library.getBookCount());

    /* The library contains the book added */
    assertEquals(book, library.searchBook("1-930110-99-5"));
}
```


Other methods

- A method with @Before is called before each test.

```
/**  
 * This method is executed before each test.  
 */  
@Before  
public void setUp() throws Exception {  
    library = new BookLibraryImpl();  
}
```

- Use them to create/destroy objects shared among methods

Other methods

- ❑ A method with `@After` is called after each test.
- ❑ Methods with `@BeforeClass` and `@AfterClass` run once before and after all test cases.
- ❑ A method with `@Ignore` is not run.

Handling Exceptions

- The “expected” parameter is used when a test expects an exception

```
@Test(expected = ArithmeticException.class)
public void divisionWithException() {
    // divide by zero
    simpleMath.divide(1, 0);
}
```

- The test fails if no exception is thrown

AssertMethods

- Used to test conditions inside test methods
 - **assertTrue(...)**: Tests if the parameter is true
 - **assertFalse(...)**: Tests if the parameter is false
 - **assertEquals(...)**: Tests if the two parameters are equal (equals method)
 - **assertSame(...)**: Tests if the two parameters are the same (==)
 - **assertNotSame(...)**: Tests if the two parameters are not the same.
 - **assertNotNull(...)**: Test if the parameter is not null.
 - **assertNull(...)**: Tests if the parameter is null.
 - **fail()**: always fails.

Complete Test Case

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import org.junit.*;
import static org.junit.Assert.*;

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    private BookLibrary library;

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Is this test case
enough to test the
method?

Guidelines for writing tests

- ❑ Test for the main flow (the happy path)
- ❑ Tests for the main alternative flows
- ❑ Test for boundary conditions (such as null arguments, negative numbers, etc)

Some pitfalls

- ❑ Classes that call static methods are difficult to test.
 - ❑ Be careful with your implementation of the Singleton pattern!!
 - ❑ Use a factory.
- ❑ Entangled designs may be very difficult to test.