

JUnit

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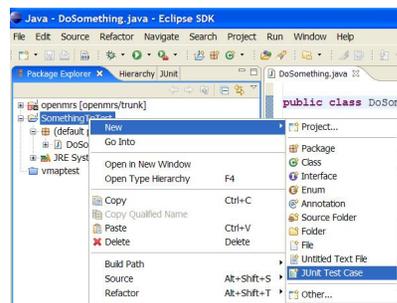
Unit testing **JUnit**

- **unit testing:** Looking for errors in a subsystem in isolation.
 - Generally a "subsystem" means a particular class or object.
 - The Java library **JUnit** helps us to easily perform unit testing.
- The basic idea:
 - For a given class `Foo`, create another class `FooTest` to test it, containing various "test case" methods to run.
 - Each method looks for particular results and passes / fails.
- JUnit provides "**assert**" commands to help us write tests.
 - The idea: Put assertion calls in your test methods to check things you expect to be true. If they aren't, the test will fail.

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JUnit and Eclipse

- To add JUnit to an Eclipse project, click:
 - **Project** **Properties** **Build Path** **Libraries** **Add Library...** **JUnit** **JUnit 4** **Finish**
- To create a test case:
 - right-click a file and choose **New** **Test Case**
 - or click **File** **New** **JUnit Test Case**
 - Eclipse can create stubs of method tests for you.



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A JUnit test class

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

public class name {
    ...

    @Test
    public void name() { // a test case method
        ...
    }
}
```

- A method with `@Test` is flagged as a JUnit test case.
 - All `@Test` methods run when JUnit runs your test class.

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JUnit assertion methods

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|---|---|
| assertTrue (test) | fails if the boolean test is false |
| assertFalse (test) | fails if the boolean test is true |
| assertEquals (expected, actual) | fails if the values are not equal |
| assertSame (expected, actual) | fails if the values are not the same (by ==) |
| assertNotSame (expected, actual) | fails if the values <i>are</i> the same (by ==) |
| assertNotNull (value) | fails if the given value is <i>not</i> null |
| assertNotNull (value) | fails if the given value is null |
| fail () | causes current test to immediately fail |

- Each method can also be passed a string to display if it fails:
 - e.g. assertEquals ("message", expected, actual)

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ArrayList JUnit test

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

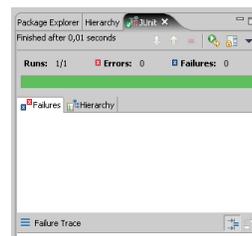
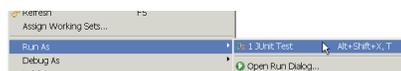
public class TestArrayList {
    @Test
    public void testAddGet1() {
        ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
        list.add(42);
        list.add(-3);
        list.add(15);
        assertEquals(42, list.get(0));
        assertEquals(-3, list.get(1));
        assertEquals(15, list.get(2));
    }

    @Test
    public void testIsEmpty() {
        ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
        assertTrue(list.isEmpty());
        list.add(123);
        assertFalse(list.isEmpty());
        list.remove(0);
        assertTrue(list.isEmpty());
    }
}
```

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Running a test

- Right click it in the Eclipse Package Explorer at left; choose:
 - Run As  JUnit Test
- The JUnit bar will show **green** if all tests pass, **red** if any fail.
- The Failure Trace shows which tests failed, if any, and why.



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JUnit exercise

Given a Date class with the following methods:

- public Date(int year, int month, int day)
- public Date() // today
- public int getDay(), getMonth(), getYear()
- public void addDays(int days) // advances by days
- public int daysInMonth()
- public String dayOfWeek() // e.g. "Sunday"
- public boolean equals(Object o)
- public boolean isLeapYear()
- public void nextDay() // advances by 1 day
- public String toString()

- Test the addDays method

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What's wrong with this?

```
public class DateTest {
    @Test
    public void test1() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(4);
        assertEquals(d.getYear(), 2050);
        assertEquals(d.getMonth(), 2);
        assertEquals(d.getDay(), 19);
    }

    @Test
    public void test2() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(14);
        assertEquals(d.getYear(), 2050);
        assertEquals(d.getMonth(), 3);
        assertEquals(d.getDay(), 1);
    }
}
```

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Well-structured assertions

```
public class DateTest {
    @Test
    public void test1() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(4);
        assertEquals(2050, d.getYear()); // expected
        assertEquals(2, d.getMonth()); // value should
        assertEquals(19, d.getDay()); // be at LEFT
    }

    @Test
    public void test2() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(14);
        assertEquals("year after +14 days", 2050, d.getYear());
        assertEquals("month after +14 days", 3, d.getMonth());
        assertEquals("day after +14 days", 1, d.getDay());
    } // test cases should usually have messages explaining
    // what is being checked, for better failure output
}
```

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Expected answer objects

```
public class DateTest {
    @Test
    public void test1() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(4);
        Date expected = new Date(2050, 2, 19);
        assertEquals(expected, d); // use an expected answer
        // object to minimize tests
    }

    // (Date must have toString
    // and equals methods)
    @Test
    public void test2() {
        Date d = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        d.addDays(14);
        Date expected = new Date(2050, 3, 1);
        assertEquals("date after +14 days", expected, d);
    }
}
```

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Naming test cases

```
public class DateTest {
    @Test
    public void test_addDays_withinSameMonth() {
        Date actual = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        actual.addDays(4);
        Date expected = new Date(2050, 2, 19);
        assertEquals("date after +4 days", expected, actual);
    }
    // give test case methods really long descriptive names

    @Test
    public void test_addDays_wrapToNextMonth() {
        Date actual = new Date(2050, 2, 15);
        actual.addDays(14);
        Date expected = new Date(2050, 3, 1);
        assertEquals("date after +14 days", expected, actual);
    }
    // give descriptive names to expected/actual values
}
```

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Tests with a timeout

```
@Test(timeout = 5000)
public void name() { ... }
```

- The above method will be considered a failure if it doesn't finish running within 5000 ms

```
private static final int TIMEOUT = 2000;
...
```

```
@Test(timeout = TIMEOUT)
public void name() { ... }
```

- Times out / fails after 2000 ms

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Testing for exceptions

```
@Test(expected = ExceptionType.class)
public void name() {
    ...
}
```

- Will pass if it *does* throw the given exception.
 - If the exception is *not* thrown, the test fails.
 - Use this to test for expected errors.

```
@Test(expected = ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException.class)
public void testBadIndex() {
    ArrayList list = new ArrayList();
    list.get(4); // should fail
}
```

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Setup and teardown

```
@Before
public void name() { ... }
@After
public void name() { ... }
```

- methods to run before/after each test case method is called

```
@BeforeClass
public static void name() { ... }
@AfterClass
public static void name() { ... }
```

- methods to run once before/after the entire test class runs

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Tips for testing

- You cannot test every possible input, parameter value, etc.
 - So you must think of a limited set of tests likely to expose bugs.
- Think about boundary cases
 - positive; zero; negative numbers
 - right at the edge of an array or collection's size
- Think about empty cases and error cases
 - 0, -1, null; an empty list or array
- test behavior in combination
 - maybe add usually works, but fails after you call remove
 - make multiple calls; maybe size fails the second time only

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JUnit summary

- Tests need *failure atomicity* (ability to know exactly what failed).
 - Each test should have a clear, long, descriptive name.
 - Assertions should always have clear messages to know what failed.
 - Write many small tests, not one big test.
 - Each test should have roughly just 1 assertion at its end.
- Test for expected errors / exceptions.
- Choose representative test cases from equivalent input classes.
- Avoid complex logic in test methods if possible.
- Use helpers, `@Before` to reduce redundancy between tests.

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