

# Advanced Software Development: JUnit

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# Importance of Testing

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- In large complex systems, **50%** of the systems development budget may be spent on testing
- Studies have shown that **virtually all non-trivial** software ships with **errors!**
- Thus, good testing is as important (**more?**) than programming
- We think if we're good, there will be no bugs.
- **BUT everyone writes code with bugs**
- Good programs have approximately 1 bug per 100 lines.
- So take the attitude that **the more bugs you find, the BETTER programmer you are.**

# When to Test

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- **Throughout** the development lifecycle, not just at the end.
- **Earlier you find error the better**
- Benefits:
  - **require less testing & debugging time**
  - **cost less**

# Definitions

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- **Exhaustive testing** - (testing every possible input), would be ideal, but **clearly impossible**
- **Blackbox Testing** - assumes you **know nothing** of the internals of a program
- **Whitebox Testing** - **look inside** at details of program to determine what to test
- For inputs states, divide into **equivalence classes** to make tests
- **Test Coverage** – Try to cover all **statements, conditionals, or all paths**
- **Boundary Testing** – errors occur most often on **border** of equivalence classes

# Modular Testing

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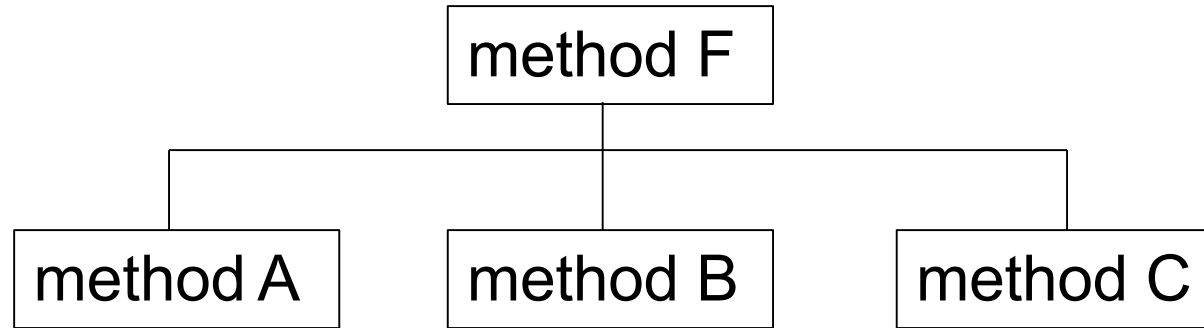
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- If you write whole 1000s of lines program and run it, and it doesn't work (e.g. infinite loop), it is very hard to find error
- **Better to test each module (100s of lines) separately** ---> much smaller bits of code to examine to find error.
- Most important concept: **test each module individually as you implement!**

# Modular Testing (cont'd)

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- Test & debug method A. (unit test)
- Test & debug method B. (unit test)
- Test & debug method C. (unit test)
- Finally, test method F. (integration test)
- If it fails the testing then you can be (mostly) sure that the error is in F, and not a sub-method.

# Unit Testing

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# Unit Testing

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- A **unit test** is a technique for testing the correctness of a module of source code
  - You create separate test cases for every nontrivial method in the module
  - Unlike most other tests, is done by developers as they code
  - Is a form of “bottom-up” testing

# Benefits of Unit Testing

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- Benefits of unit testing:
  - Reduces the time spent on debugging
  - **Catches bugs early**
  - Eases integration
    - Bottom-up testing allows you to build a large system on a reliable “foundation” of working low-level code
  - **Documents the intent of the code**
  - **Encourages refactoring**
    - Tests are rerun to make sure no new bugs are introduced
      - Is a form of regression testing

# JUnit Example

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# JUnit Example – Largest Integer Method

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- We will test the following method:
  - (Note: contains some bugs right now)

```
public class Largest {  
  
    public static int largest1(int[] list) {  
        int i, max = Integer.MAX_VALUE;  
        for (i = 0; i < list.length - 1; i++) {  
            if (list[i] > max) {  
                max = list[i];  
            }  
        }  
        return max;  
    }  
}
```

# JUnit Example – JUnit Test

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- Create a test class with an initial test:

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

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

```
@TestMethodOrder(MethodOrderer.MethodName.class)
```

```
class LargestTest {
```

```
    @Test
```

```
    void testLargest11Basic() {
```

```
        int[] list = {8, 9, 7};
```

```
        int expectedResult = 9; This is our function we are testing
```

```
        int result = Largest.largest1(list);
```

```
        assertEquals(expResult, result, "Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9");
```

```
    }
```

# JUnit Example - Details

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- Your test class can be named anything
- Test methods must be annotated with **@Test**
  - Will be invoked automatically by the test runner
- The **assertEquals()** will **fail** if the **largest1()** method does not return a **9**
  - 9 is the largest element in the list 8, 9, 7
- Save the file
- Compile using: **javac \*.java**

```
@Test
void testLargest1Basic() {
    int[] list = {8, 9, 7};
    int expectedResult = 9;
    int result = Largest.largest1(list);
    assertEquals(expResult, result, "Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9");
}
```

# JUnit Example - Running

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- Run the test
- Use: **java org.junit.runner.JUnitCore LargestTest**
  - The classpath must be set correctly for this to work
  - Is a textual UI
  - Most IDEs can run tests within their GUI

# JUnit Example – Failing Test

Test Results	24 ms	C:\Users\jonat\.jdk\openjdk-17.0.2\bin\java.exe ...
LargestTest	24 ms	
Largest1Tests	24 ms	org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9 ==>
testLargest11Basic()	24 ms	Expected :9 Actual :2147483647 <a href="#">&lt;Click to see difference&gt;</a>

```
public static int largest2(int[] list) {  
    int i, max = 0;  
    for (i = 0; i < list.length - 1; i++) {  
        if (list[i] > max) {  
            max = list[i];  
        }  
    }  
    return max;  
}
```

Let's try max=0 instead

Test Results	21 ms	C:\Users\jonat\.jdk\openjdk-17.0.2\bin\java.exe ...
LargestTest	21 ms	
Largest2Tests	21 ms	Process finished with exit code 0
testLargest21Basic()	21 ms	

Success!

Is code correct?



# JUnit Example – Multiple Asserts

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- Create a new test testOrder():

```
void testLargest2Order() {  
    assertEquals(9, Largest.largest2(new int[]{8, 9, 7}), "Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9");  
    assertEquals(9, Largest.largest2(new int[]{9, 8, 7}), "Largest value in list {9,8,7} should be 9");  
    assertEquals(9, Largest.largest2(new int[]{7, 8, 9}), "Largest value in list {7,8,9} should be 9");  
}
```

- Tests for the largest element in all 3 positions
- Recompile and retest
- Danger in this test style?

# JUnit Example – Failing Again

Test Results	24 ms	C:\Users\jonat\.jdk\openjdk-17.0.2\bin\java.exe ...
LargestTest	24 ms	
Largest2Tests	24 ms	org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {7,8,9} should be 9 ==>
testLargest21Basic()	20 ms	Expected :9
testLargest22Order()	4 ms	Actual :8
		<a href="#">&lt;Click to see difference&gt;</a>

```
public static int largest3(int[] list) {  
    int i, max = 0;  
    for (i = 0; i < list.length; i++) {  
        if (list[i] > max) {  
            max = list[i];  
        }  
    }  
    return max;  
}
```

We had off by one error

# JUnit Example – Fix Bug

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- We find another error:
- Is an “off by one” bug:
  - Change loop for correct termination
- Recompile and retest
  - Should report: OK (2 tests)

▼	✓ Test Results	21 ms
▼	✓ LargestTest	21 ms
▼	✓ Largeset3Tests	21 ms
	✓ testLargest32Order()	21 ms

# JUnit Example – More Tests

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- Add methods to test for duplicates and a list of size one:

```
@Test
void testLargest33Duplicates() {
    assertEquals(9, Largest.largest3(new int[]{9, 7, 8, 9}), "Largest value in list {9,7,8,9} should be 9");
}
```

```
@Test
void testLargest34One() {
    assertEquals(9, Largest.largest3(new int[]{9}), "Largest value in list {9} should be 9");
}
```

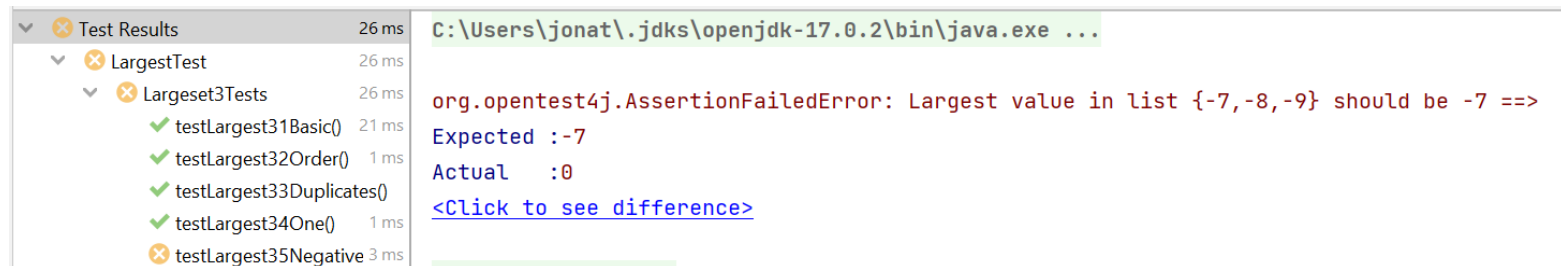
- Recompile and retest
  - Should report: OK (4 tests)

# JUnit Example – Negative Numbers

- Add a method to test negative numbers:

```
@Test
void testLargest35Negative() {
    assertEquals(-7, Largest.largest3(new int[]{-9, -8, -7}), "Largest value in list {-7,-8,-9} should be -7");
}
```

- Retesting reveals another bug:



The screenshot shows the JUnit test results in an IDE. The test results are as follows:

Test Name	Duration	Status
Test Results	26 ms	Failed
LargestTest	26 ms	Failed
Largest3Tests	26 ms	Failed
testLargest31Basic()	21 ms	Passed
testLargest32Order()	1 ms	Passed
testLargest33Duplicates()	1 ms	Passed
testLargest34One()	1 ms	Passed
testLargest35Negative	3 ms	Failed

The failure message for testLargest35Negative is:

```
org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {-7,-8,-9} should be -7 ==>
Expected :-7
Actual :0
<Click to see difference>
```

- Fix by initializing **max = Integer.MIN\_VALUE;**
- Retest

# JUnit Example – Exceptions?

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- What should happen if the list is empty?
  - Throw an exception

```
if (list.length == 0) {  
    throw new RuntimeException("largest: empty list");  
}
```

# JUnit Example – Exceptions Expected

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- Add a test for this

`@Test`

```
void testLargest46Empty() {  
    RuntimeException e = assertThrows(RuntimeException.class, () -> {  
        Largest.largest4(new int[]{});  
    });  
    assertEquals("largest: empty list", e.getMessage(), "Expect RuntimeException for empty list usage.");  
}
```

# JUnit Example – Null?

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- What if our function should crash on null input?

```
if (list == null) {  
    throw new NullPointerException("largest: null list");  
}
```

```
@Test  
void testLargest47Null() {  
    NullPointerException e = assertThrows(NullPointerException.class, () -> {  
        Largest.largest4(null);  
    });  
    assertEquals("largest: null list", e.getMessage(), "Expect NullPointerException for null list usage.");  
}
```



# Result

- Final Function

```
public static int largest5(int[] list) {  
    if (list == null) {  
        throw new NullPointerException("largest: null list");  
    }  
    if (list.length == 0) {  
        throw new RuntimeException("largest: empty list");  
    }  
    int i, max = Integer.MIN_VALUE;  
    for (i = 0; i < list.length; i++) {  
        if (list[i] > max) {  
            max = list[i];  
        }  
    }  
    return max;  
}
```

✓	Test Results	31 ms
✓	LargestTest	31 ms
✓	Largest5Tests	31 ms
✓	testLargest54One()	24 ms
✓	testLargest53Duplicate	1 ms
✓	testLargest51Basic()	1 ms
✓	testLargest52Order()	
✓	testLargest57Null()	3 ms
✓	testLargest56Empty()	1 ms
✓	testLargest55Negative	1 ms

# JUnit Framework

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# JUnit Asserts

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- JUnit asserts: (JUnit4 and JUnit5 will swap message front/end of parameters)
- <https://junit.org/junit5/docs/current/api/org.junit.jupiter.api/org/junit/jupiter/api/Assertions.html>
  - **assertEquals**(expected, actual, [String message])
    - message is optional
  - **assertEquals**(expected, actual, **tolerance**, [String message])
    - Useful for imprecise f.p. numbers
  - **assertNull**(Object object, [String message])
    - Asserts that the object is null
    - Also: **assertNotNull**()

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  - **assertSame**(expected, actual, [String message])
    - Asserts that expected and actual **point to the same object**
    - Also: `assertNotSame()`
  - **assertTrue**(boolean condition, [String message])
    - Also: `assertFalse()`
  - **fail**([String message])
    - Fails the test immediately
    - Used to mark code that should not be reached

# JUnit Before/After Examples

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# JUnit AfterAll/BeforeAll

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- Use **@BeforeAll** to mark a method used to initialize the testing environment before every test in test class
  - E.g. Allocate resources, initialize state
- Use **@AfterAll** to mark a method used to clean up after every test in test class
  - E.g. Deallocate resources
- **Are invoked before and after EVERY test method is run**
- Incredibly useful to make objects re-used across multiple tests
- **Tests should be designed to be run independently, and in any order**
  - **(JUnit DOES NOT follow your source code order)**

# JUnit AfterEach/BeforeEach

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- Like @BeforeAll/@AfterAll, but once for the whole test class (instead of each function)
- Good for static setups, like database connections
- Use **@BeforeEach** to mark a method used to initialize the testing environment when test class is initialized
  - E.g. Allocate resources, initialize state
- Use **@AfterEach** to mark a method used to clean up after every test in test class is complete
  - E.g. Deallocate resources

# Junit: Before and after

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- **BeforeAll** – things you need for multiple tests (connections to resources, constants), shouldn't be changed by tests
- **AfterAll** – cleanup things related to BeforeClass
- Issue here?

```
static int[] list1;
```

```
@BeforeAll
```

```
public static void setup_class(){  
    list1 = new int[]{8,9,7};  
}
```

```
@AfterAll
```

```
public static void teardown_class(){  
    list1 = null;  
}
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}
```

```
@Test
```

```
void testLargest1() {  
    int expResult = 9;  
    int result = Largest.largest5(list1);  
    assertEquals(expResult, result, "...");  
    list1[0] = 100;  
}
```

```
@Test
```

```
void testLargest2() {  
    int expResult = 9;  
    int result = Largest.largest5(list1);  
    assertEquals(expResult, result, "...");  
    list1[0] = 100;  
}
```

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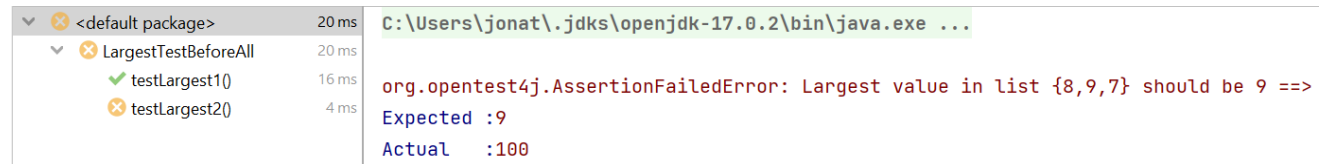
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}
```

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@Test
```

```
void testLargest2() {  
    int expectedResult = 9;  
    int result = Largest.largest5(list1);  
    assertEquals(expResult, result, "...");  
    list1[0] = 100;  
}
```



```
<default package> 20 ms  
└─ LargestTestBeforeAll 20 ms  
    └─ testLargest1() 16 ms  
        └─ testLargest2() 4 ms  
            org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9 ==>  
            Expected :9  
            Actual   :100
```

# Junit: Before and after

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- **BeforeAll** – things you need for multiple tests (connections to resources, constants), shouldn't be changed by tests
- **AfterAll** – cleanup things related to BeforeClass
- Best used when you need some sort of infrastructure through-out the whole test, like a connection

```
static DBConn db_conn;
```

```
@BeforeAll
```

```
public static void setup_class(){  
    db_conn = new DBConn(...);  
}
```

```
@AfterAll
```

```
public static void teardown_class(){  
    db_conn.disconnect();  
}
```

# Junit: Before and after

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- **BeforeEach** – things used for multiple tests, often changed by tests
- **AfterEach** – clean up stuff related to Before
- Proper usage for setting up an object, especially if you want to re-use it for multiple tests
- Great if you have a large amount of related classes to setup before a test can begin operating
- Ex. A lecture object connected with a list of student

```
int[] list1;
```

```
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}
```

```
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```
@Test
```

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    list1[0] = 100;  
}
```

✓ Test Results	27 ms
✓ LargestTestBeforeEach	27 ms
✓ testLargest1()	26 ms
✓ testLargest2()	1 ms

# Onward to ... refactoring.

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