# Advanced Software Development: JUnit

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### **Importance of Testing**

- 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.





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



### **Definitions**

- 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**





- 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)



- 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**



### **Unit Testing**

- 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**

- 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



### JUnit Example – Largest Integer Method

- 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];
            max = list[i];
            max = list[i];
            return max;
    }
```



### JUnit Example – JUnit Test

• 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 {
```



### **JUnit Example - Details**

- 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 abort 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



### **JUnit Asserts**

- JUnit asserts
- <u>https://junit.org/junit5/docs/current/api/org.junit.jupiter.api/org/junit/jupiter/api/Assertions.html</u>
  - 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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- JUnit asserts:
  - **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 Example - Running**

- 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

org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {8,9,7} should be 9 ==>
Expected :9
Actual :: 2147483647
<<u>Click to see difference></u>

<4 internal lines>

---- at LargestTest.testLargest11Basic(LargestTest.java:15) <29 internal lines>

----- at java.base/java.util.ArrayList.forEach(<u>ArrayList.java:1511</u>) <9 internal lines>

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```
public static int largest2(int[] list) {
```

Let's try max=0 instead



### JUnit Example – Multiple Asserts

#### • Create a new test testOrder():

- Tests for the largest element in all 3 positions
- Recompile and retest
- Not a good test! Why?
  - It tests 3 things at once?
    - When it fails we won't immediately know which sub-test caused it to fail!



### JUnit Example – Failing Again

org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {7,8,9} should be 9 ==> Expected :9 Actual ::8

We had off by one error



### JUnit Example – Fix Bug

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



### JUnit Example – More Tests

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

<pre>@Test void testLargest33Duplicates() {     assertEquals( expected: 9, Largest.largest3(new int[]{9, 7, 8, 9}), message: "Largest value in list {9,7,8,9} should }</pre>	be 9");
<pre>@Test void testLargest340ne() {     assertEquals( expected: 9, Largest.largest3(new int[]{9}), message: "Largest value in list {9} should be 9"); }</pre>	

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



### **JUnit Example – Negative Numbers**

• Add a method to test negative numbers:



Retesting reveals another bug:

org.opentest4j.AssertionFailedError: Largest value in list {-7,-8,-9} should be -7 ==> Expected :-7 Actual :0

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



### Result

#### Final Function



## **JUnit Framework**



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# **JUnit Exceptions**



### **JUnit Example – Exceptions?**

- 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

#### Add a test for this

#### @Test

```
void testLargest46Empty() {
```

```
RuntimeException e = assertThrows(RuntimeException.class, () -> {
```

```
Largest.largest4(new int[]{});
```

····});

}

```
assertEquals( expected: "largest: empty list", e.getMessage(), message: "Expect RuntimeException for empty list usage.");
```

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```

### JUnit Example – Null?

• What if our function should crash on null input?

```
if (list == null) {
```

throw new NullPointerException("largest: null list");

#### }

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



# **JUnit Before/After Examples**



### JUnit AfterAll/BeforeAll

- 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

- 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



- 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?

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```
@Test
void testLargest1() {
    int expResult = 9;
    int result = Largest.largest5(list1);
    assertEquals(expResult, result, message: "Largest value in
    list1[0] = 100;
@Test
void testLargest2() {
    int expResult = 9;
    int result = Largest.largest5(list1);
    assertEquals(expResult, result, message: "Largest value in
    list1[0] = 100;
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- AfterAll cleanup things related to BeforeClass
- Best used when you need some sort of infrastructure through-out the whole test, like a connection





- 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

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# Onward to ... refactoring.

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