Reflection Applied: Mocking

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Advanced Testing



State vs Interaction Testing

- JUnit is designed around state testing
 - You run a function and ensure end state matches post-condition of function interface
 - You have limited awareness of anything that the function does outside of exposed behaviour
 - Values provided (an accessible information in them that could be modified)
 - Returned result
- Interaction testing
 - You verify if interactions between functions are as expected
 - Mockito (Or similar testing frameworks) let you do this
 - Mockito can also assist state testing by allowing intercession
 - letting you stub interactions so that a test doesn't rely on correctness of dependent classes
 - helps reduce tests that have grown into integration test back into unit tests



Stubs

- Test Stub (old method)
 - Hand-coded object for testing, have to sub in fully coded replacement
 - Rather time consuming
 - Becomes parallel development
 - Often requires rewriting existing code so that it is designed around interface that allows this replacement (rather than copy-paste code back and forth when testing



Stubs

- Maybe we want to test code that involves a lookup a book in a storage object by id
 - storage.getById(String)
 - We aren't testing the lookup, but only later properties post-retrieval
 - Storage could involve something complex like a red-black-tree which could have bugs!
 - With a stub we could code a pretend storage object good enough for our limited tests (maybe using simple if/then)
 - if id == lookup_id return new Book("title")
 - Our test could sub-in this universally non-functional stub in place of the other code, so that the test can rely on the correct book always being returned



Stubs

```
interface Library {
    public Book getById(String name);
public StubLibrary implements Library{
    public Book getById(String name){
              if name.equals("Book1")
                       return new Book("title1");
              if name.equals("Book2")
                       return new Book("title2");
              return null;
```

```
public RealLibrary implements Library{
    public Book getById(String name){
        //relies on buggy RedBlackTree impl.
    }
}
```



Mocking



Test Doubles

- Mockito lets you mock (or make a double) for different things
- Mock Object
 - Created using Mockito's framework API
 - There are others like EasyMock, Jmocking, etc.
 - Has exact same interface as original object
 - We don't need to have made an interface
 - Allows us to define all functionality ourselves
 - We can do intercession
 - Allows us to monitor how the mock object is used
 - Framework latches on something like a profiler
 - Verify!



Usage Pattern

- 1. Setup mocks for all dependencies you want to replace
 - 1. This can be done setting up the test class
 - 2. Or can be done in the test itself
- 2. Set-up intercession
 - 1. when() -> do X
 - 1. thenReturn() is most common
- 3. Call tested logic
- 4. Verify results
 - 1. Regular unit testing of state
 - 2. Interaction testing using the profiled Mockito
 - 1. verify()



Dangers

- Mocking lets us bypass the interface limitations the object provided
- This creates tighter coupling of test code and actual code
- It can be easy to make brittle tests
 - Tests that are dependent on how the programmer chose to solve the problem
 - Ex. Maybe you verify how many times a sub-api is accessed when the outer function is called
 - Some solutions might do it X times and other programmers might to it Y times
 - Another Ex.
 - Testing the SQL string passed to the DB (there are many equivalent queries that get same results)
- Try to avoid getting to (white box test) implantation specific in the testing



Mockito

- Open Source
- Most common mocking framework
- https://site.mockito.org/
- Can add it through Maven

Maven: org.mockito:mockito-core:5.14.2

- 5.14.2 is most recent
- MIT license



Benefits

- No custom stubs
- Simple post-verification setup (others like EasyMock require you to write expected behaviour first -> a more academic approach)
- Refactoring-safe
 - Design means most refactoring triggers will also trigger refactoring in tests
- Supports returns and exceptions
- Flexible parameters setting
- Single jar
- Easy to learn
- Most commonly found Q/A on internet for mocking in Java



Intro Examples



First Examples

- Imported import static org.mockito.Mockito.*;
- MockList mockedList = mock(List.class);
- Intercession

```
when(mockedList.get(0)).thenReturn("first");
when(mockedList.get(or(eq(1),eq(2))).thenReturn("more");
when(mockedList.get(gt(2)).thenThrow(new RuntimeException());
```

- Others
 - anyInt, anyString
 - Custom parameter matchers (Hamcrest) https://hamcrest.org/



First Examples - Verify

Verify interaction
 verify(mockedList).clear();
 verify(mockedList).add("one");
 verify(mockedList).add(anyString());
 verify(mockedList, atLeastOnce()).add("one");
 verify(mockedList, times(3)).add(anyString());

- Others
 - never, atMost
 - verifyZeroInteractions



More Examples



Basics

First test is regular JUnit tests

Second test using a mock Calculator

add() is never actually used

```
public class Calculator {
   public int add(int a, int b) {
     return a + b;
   }
}
```

```
@Test
 public void testAdd1() {
    Calculator calculator = new Calculator();
    int result = calculator.add(2, 3);
    assertEquals(5, result, "2 + 3 should equal 5");
 @Test
 public void testAdd2() {
    Calculator calculator = mock(Calculator.class);
   when(calculator.add(2,3)).thenReturn(5);
    int result = calculator.add(2,3);
    assertEquals(5, result, "2 + 3 should equal 5");
```



Escape Dependency Chain

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Any time we make a test for isUserActive we need userRepository.findById() to be correct as well!

But we haven't even completed it yet

```
public class User {
   private int id;
   private String name;
   private boolean active;
   public User(int id, String name, boolean active) {
      this.id = id;
      this.name = name;
      this.active = active;
   }
   public boolean isActive() {
      return active;
   }
}
```

```
public class UserService {
  private UserRepository userRepository;
  public UserService(UserRepository userRepository) {
    this.userRepository = userRepository;
  public boolean isUserActive(int userId) {
    User user = userRepository.findById(userId);
    return user != null && user.isActive();
public class UserRepository {
  public User findById(int userId) {
     return null;
```



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```
@Test
 public void testIsUserActive() {
   // Create a mock UserRepository
    UserRepository userRepository = mock(UserRepository.class);
   // Define the behavior of the mock UserRepository
    User activeUser = new User(1, "John Doe", true);
    when(userRepository.findById(1)).thenReturn(activeUser);
   // Instantiate UserService with the mock UserRepository
    UserService userService = new UserService(userRepository);
   // Test the isUserActive method
    assertTrue(userService.isUserActive(1),
                   "User with ID 1 should be active");
   // Verify the mock UserRepository's findById method was called
   //with the correct argument
   verify(userRepository, times(1)).findById(1);
```

Escaping service requirements (online service)

```
public class Network {
  private URL url;
  public Network(URL url) {
    this.url = url;
  public boolean isUrlAvailable() throws IOException {
    return getResponseCode() ==
         HttpURLConnection.HTTP OK;
  private int getResponseCode() throws IOException {
    HttpURLConnection con = (HttpURLConnection)
                  this.url.openConnection();
    return con.getResponseCode();
```

```
public String getData() throws IOException {
  if(isUrlAvailable()){
    BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(
       new InputStreamReader(url.openStream()));
    String inputLine;
    StringJoiner sj = new StringJoiner(",");
    while ((inputLine = in.readLine()) != null)
      si.add(inputLine);
    in.close();
    return sj.toString();
  return null;
 It can be hard to test code that requires and active
 internet connection
 Also tests that look like DDoS to a service or
 botting will often end up blocked
```

Escaping service requirements (online service)

- We can actually mock the original URL (this allows us to access the openConnection) to have it return a mocked HttpURLConnection that will give the response we want
- In this case failure to find the URL (this allows us to see if isUrlAvailable would give expected response in this scenario (state check after intercession)

```
@Test

public void givenMockedUrl_whenRequestSent_thenIsUrlAvailableFalse() throws Exception {
    HttpURLConnection mockHttpURLConnection = mock(HttpURLConnection.class);
    when(mockHttpURLConnection.getResponseCode()).thenReturn(HttpURLConnection.HTTP_NOT_FOUND);

URL mockURL = mock(URL.class);
    when(mockURL.openConnection()).thenReturn(mockHttpURLConnection);

Network network = new Network(mockURL);
    assertFalse(network.isUrlAvailable(), "Url should not be available: ");
}
```



Escaping service requirements (online service)

Here I use URL mock to make the HTML response from connecting to a website

```
@Test
 public void givenMockedUrl whenRequestSent thenGetDefaultData() throws Exception {
   HttpURLConnection mockHttpURLConnection = mock(HttpURLConnection.class);
   when(mockHttpURLConnection.getResponseCode()).thenReturn(HttpURLConnection.HTTP OK);
   URL mockURL = mock(URL.class);
   when(mockURL.openConnection()).thenReturn(mockHttpURLConnection);
   String fakeData = "<html>" +
       "<body>Hello</body>" +
       "</html>";
   InputStream is = new ByteArrayInputStream(fakeData.getBytes(StandardCharsets.UTF_8));
   when(mockURL.openStream()).thenReturn(is);
   Network network = new Network(mockURL);
   assertEquals(fakeData, network.getData());
```



Escaping service requirements (database)

- Here I don't want my unit test to rely on the actual database (or modify it)
- So I'll want to modify my tests to bypass need for getDBConnection() to have been executed

```
public class Database {
  private Connection dbConnection;
  public void getDBConnection() throws SQLException {
    dbConnection = DriverManager.getConnection("jdbc:sqlite:sqlite.db");
  public List<String> getNames(String query) throws SQLException {
    List<String> names = new ArrayList<>();
    ResultSet resultSet = dbConnection.createStatement().executeQuery(query);
    do{
      names.add(resultSet.getString("first_name")+" "+resultSet.getString("last_name"));
    }while(resultSet.next());
    return names;
```



Escaping service requirements (database)

- We can mock a private variable by using @InjectMocks for the Class, and then @Mock for the field to mock inside
- I'll need to trigger this for each test

```
@InjectMocks
                                                                   Mockito.when(connection.createStatement()).thenReturn(Mockito.mock
private Database database;
                                                                   (Statement.class));
@Mock
private Connection connection;
                                                                   Mockito.when(connection.createStatement().executeQuery(Mockito.any
                                                                   ())).thenReturn(rs);
@BeforeEach
public void setUp() {
                                                                        List<String> names = database.getNames("SELECT first_name,
  MockitoAnnotations.initMocks(this);
                                                                   last name FROM person WHERE height > 1.82;");
                                                                        assertEquals(1, names.size());
@Test
                                                                        assertEquals("Jonathan Hudson", names.getFirst());
public void testGetNames() throws Exception {
                                                                       Mockito.verify(connection.createStatement(), Mockito.times(1));
  ResultSet rs = Mockito.mock(ResultSet.class);
  Mockito.when(rs.getString("first name")).thenReturn("Jonathan");
  Mockito.when(rs.getString("last name")).thenReturn("Hudson");
```



Escaping service requirements (database)

- Then I can bypass the need for DBConnection to have been setup
- getNames will now trigger the intercession on executeQuery to return my mock ResultSet (I need a mock Statement returned by the connection I've mocked as well in the injection into Database class private variable, otherwise createStatement is null)

```
@Test
public void testGetNames() throws Exception {
    ResultSet rs = Mockito.mock(ResultSet.class);
    Mockito.when(rs.getString("first_name")).thenReturn("Jonathan");
    Mockito.when(rs.getString("last_name")).thenReturn("Hudson");

    Mockito.when(connection.createStatement()).thenReturn(Mockito.mock(Statement.class));
    Mockito.when(connection.createStatement().executeQuery(Mockito.any())).thenReturn(rs);

    List<String> names = database.getNames("SELECT first_name, last_name FROM person WHERE height > 1.82;");
    assertEquals(1, names.size());
    assertEquals("Jonathan Hudson", names.getFirst());
    Mockito.verify(connection.createStatement(), Mockito.times(1));
}
```



Onward to ... aspects.

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