

Unit Testing with JUnit

Why unit testing?

- **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.

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.

JUnit assertion methods

<code>assertTrue(test)</code>	fails if the boolean test is <code>false</code>
<code>assertFalse(test)</code>	fails if the boolean test is <code>true</code>
<code>assertEquals(expected, actual)</code>	fails if the values are not equal
<code>assertNull(value)</code>	fails if the given value is <i>not</i> <code>null</code>
<code>assertNotNull(value)</code>	fails if the given value is <code>null</code>
<code>fail()</code>	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)`

```
@Test
public void ArrayIntTest(){
    ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();

    assertTrue("Asserts that list is empty", list.isEmpty());
    list.add(20);
    assertFalse("Asserts that list is not empty", list.isEmpty());
    assertEquals("Asserts that list has size 1", 1, list.size());
}
```

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);  
    }  
}
```

Well-structured assertions

```
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);
    }
}
```

