



Dynamic testing

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Dynamic testing

- **Dynamic testing** concerns testing the **operations (behaviour)** of a program
- Unit tests, integration tests, system tests, acceptance tests and regression tests utilize dynamic testing

Dynamic testing with Unit testing

- Tests with `@Test` annotation are static tests as they are fully specified at compile-time
- A dynamic test is a test generated during run-time

- In JUnit 5
 - There are new annotations that support it
 - `DynamicTest` class that provide suitable methods
- Let's review them!

Dynamic testing

- A dynamic test is generated by a factory annotation: **@TestFactory**
- The annotation identifies a factory method whose goal is to build instances of the `DynamicTest` class
- `@TestFactory` methods *must not be private or static* and may optionally declare parameters

DynamicTest class

- DynamicTest is a test case generated at runtime
- Its method *dynamicTest* takes as parameters
 - a *display name* and an *executable*
- Instances of DynamicTest must be **generated by factory methods annotated with @TestFactory**

Example

Factory
method

```
@TestFactory  
public DynamicTest createTest(){  
  
    return dynamicTest("1st dynamic test", () -> assertTrue(isPalindrome("madam")));  
  
}
```

display
name

executable

Key methods of DynamicTest class

public static DynamicTest `dynamicTest`(String displayName, Executable executable)

- Factory method creates a new DynamicTest instance with the given display name and executable code block

```
dynamicTest("testName", () -> assertTrue(isPalindrome("madam")))
```



uh! anonymous Lambda expression

Example

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@TestFactory
Collection<DynamicTest> dynamicTestsFromCollection(){

    return Arrays.asList(
        dynamicTest("1st dynamic test", () -> assertTrue(isPalindrome("madam"))),
        dynamicTest("2nd dynamic test", () -> assertEquals(4, calculator.multiply(2, 2)))
    );

}
```



Key methods of DynamicTest class

The stream method

static <T> **Stream**<**DynamicTest**>

stream(Iterator<T> **inputGenerator**, Function<? super T,String> **displayNameGenerator**, ThrowingConsumer<? super T> **testExecutor**)

- Factory method to generate **a stream of dynamic tests** based on the generators and test executor
- **inputGenerator** generates input values. A **DynamicTest** is added to the resulting stream for each dynamically generated input value, using the **displayNameGenerator** and **testExecutor**.
- **inputGenerator** - an Iterator that serves as a dynamic input generator
- **displayNameGenerator** - a function that generates a display name based on an input value
- **testExecutor** - a consumer that executes a test based on an input value

Review of terms

- What is Functional Interface?
- What is Consumer/Supplier?
- What is Lambda expression?
- What is Function?



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- **Regular Interface**



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Functional Interface

- A functional interface has **only one abstract method** but it can have *multiple default methods*
- **@FunctionalInterface** annotation is used to ensure **at compile time** that an interface cannot have more than one abstract method
 - The use of this annotation is optional



Functional Interface

- Example: Runnable interface has only run() method
- Lambda expression works on functional interfaces to replace anonymous classes

Anonymous class

```
interface Rectangle {}
```

```
class anonymousClassExamples {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        int a = 5;  
        int b = 7;  
        //anonymouse class  
        int ans1 = new Rectangle(){  
            public int calculate(int x, int y){return x*y;}  
        }.calculate(a,b);  
  
        System.out.println(ans1);  
    }  
}
```

Lambda expression

- An anonymous function that can be passed around as a variable or as a parameter to a method call

Syntax

lambda operator -> body

where lambda operator can be:

- **Zero parameter:**

`() -> System.out.println("Zero parameter lambda");`

- **One parameter:**

`(p) -> System.out.println("One parameter: " + p);`

- **Multiple parameters :**

`(p1, p2) -> System.out.println("Multiple parameters: " +
p1 + ", " + p2);`

Example

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Square {
    int calculate(int x);
}
class Test {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        int a = 5;
        // lambda expression to define the calculate method
        Square s = (int x)->x*x;
        // parameter passed and return type must be same as
        defined in the prototype
        int ans = s.calculate(a);
        System.out.println(ans);
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Lambda expression to create an instance of a class and define the method of the Functional Interface

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```
int ans = s.calculate(a);
System.out.println(ans);
```

Exercise

A method that prints the area of a rectangle

Exercise

```
@FunctionalInterface
interface Area {
    int calculate(int x, int y);
}
class Test {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        int a = 5;
        int b = 7;
        // lambda expression to define the calculate method
        Area s = (int x, int y)->x*y;
        // parameter passed and return type must be same as defined
in the prototype
        int ans = s.calculate(a,b);
        System.out.println(ans);
    }
}
```

Consumer/Supplier

- Functional interface (package function)
- **Consumer:** represents an operation that *accepts a single input argument and returns no result*
- **Supplier:** represents an operation that *accepts no input and returns a result*
- **Function:** represents an operation that *accepts input and returns a result*



Functional interfaces with JUnit5

`org.junit.jupiter.api.function`

- **Executable**: used to implement any generic block of code that potentially throws a Throwable
- **ThrowingConsumer<T>**: a consumer that potentially throws a Throwable
- **ThrowingSupplier<T>**: a supplier that potentially throws a Throwable

FunctionalInterfaces w. Dynamic Test

```
stream(  
Iterator<T> inputGenerator,  
Function<? super T,String> displayNameGenerator,  
ThrowingConsumer<? super T> testExecutor)  
dynamicTest(String displayName, Executable executable)
```

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Function Interfaces w. Dynamic Test

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Function Test Regular Interface Functional Interfaces Dynamic

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Function Test

Regular Interface

Functional Interfaces

Functional Interfaces of JUnit5

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Return type of factory methods of `DynamicTest`

- A *single `DynamicNode`* or a Stream, Collection, Iterable, Iterator, or array of *`DynamicNode` instances*
- Instantiable subclasses of `DynamicNode` are **`DynamicContainer`** and **`DynamicTest`**

DynamicContainer and DynamicTest

- DynamicContainer instances are composed of a *display name* and a list of *dynamic child nodes*, enabling the creation of arbitrarily nested hierarchies of dynamic nodes
- DynamicTest instances enable dynamic and even non-deterministic *generation of tests*

Note

- Any Stream returned by a `@TestFactory` will be properly closed by calling `stream.close()`, making it safe to use a resource such as `Files.lines()`

Example 1

```
@TestFactory
List<String> dynamicUnitTest() {
    return Arrays.asList("Hello");
}
```

This method returns an **invalid return type**.
Since an invalid return type cannot be detected at compile time, a `JUnitException` is thrown when it is detected at runtime

Generation of Dynamic Tests

```
@TestFactory
Collection<DynamicTest> dynamicTestsFromCollection() {
    return Arrays.asList(
        dynamicTest("1st dynamic test", () -> assertTrue(isPalindrome("madam"))),
        dynamicTest("2nd dynamic test", () -> assertEquals(4, calculator.multiply(2, 2)))
    );
}
```

```
@TestFactory
Iterable<DynamicTest> dynamicTestsFromIterable() {
    return Arrays.asList(
        dynamicTest("3rd dynamic test", () -> assertTrue(isPalindrome("madam"))),
        dynamicTest("4th dynamic test", () -> assertEquals(4, calculator.multiply(2, 2)))
    );
}
```

```
@TestFactory
```

```
Stream<DynamicTest> generateRandomNumberOfTests() {
```

```
    Iterator<Integer> inputGenerator = new Iterator<Integer>() {
```

```
        Random random = new Random();  
        int current;
```

```
        @Override
```

```
        public boolean hasNext() {  
            current = random.nextInt(100);  
            return current % 7 != 0;  
        }
```

Generates random positive integers between 0 and 100 until a number evenly divisible by 7 is encountered.

```
        @Override
```

```
        public Integer next() {  
            return current;  
        }
```

```
    };
```

Fails if input divides by 7

```
    // Generates display names like: input:5, input:37, input:83, etc.  
    Function<Integer, String> displayNameGenerator = (input) -> "input:" + input;
```

```
    // Executes tests based on the current input value.
```

```
    ThrowingConsumer<Integer> testExecutor = (input) -> assertTrue(input % 7 != 0);
```

```
    // Returns a stream of dynamic tests.
```

```
    return DynamicTest.stream(inputGenerator, displayNameGenerator, testExecutor);  
}
```

Functional Interfaces. This one is throwing a Throwable exception

Exercise

- Generate a stream of dynamic test for the method `placeBid(float AuctionID, double price)`

Notes

- `@BeforeEach` and `@AfterEach` methods are not executed for dynamic tests
- More examples
- <https://github.com/junit-team/junit5/blob/master/documentation/src/test/java/example/DynamicTestsDemo.java>

Differences - examples

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```
//some imports
```

```
@RunWith(JUnitPlatform.class)
public class TranslatorEngineTest {
    private TranslatorEngine translatorEngine;
    @BeforeEach
    public void setUp() {
        translatorEngine = new TranslatorEngine();
    }
    @Test
    public void testTranslateHello() {
        assertEquals("Bonjour",
            translatorEngine.translate("Hello"));
    }
    @Test
    public void testTranslateYes() {
        assertEquals("Oui",
            translatorEngine.translate("Yes"));
    }
    @Test
    public void testTranslateNo() {
        assertEquals("Non",
            translatorEngine.translate("No"));
    }
}
```

```
//some imports and class declaration
```

```
@TestFactory
public Collection<DynamicTest> translateDynamicTests() {
    List<String> inPhrases = new
    ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList("Hello", "Yes", "No"));
    List<String> outPhrases = new
    ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList("Bonjour", "Oui", "Non"));
    Collection<DynamicTest> dynamicTests = new ArrayList<>();
    TranslatorEngine translatorEngine = new TranslatorEngine();

    for (int i = 0; i < inPhrases.size(); i++) {
        String phr = inPhrases.get(i);
        String outPhr = outPhrases.get(i);
        // create a test execution
        Executable exec = () -> assertEquals(outPhr,
            translatorEngine.translate(phr));
        // create a test display name
        String testName = " Test translate " + phr;
        // create dynamic test
        DynamicTest dTest = DynamicTest.dynamicTest(testName,
            exec);
        // add the dynamic test to collection
        dynamicTests.add(dTest);
    }
    return dynamicTests;
}
```

One can also use the
Parametrised runner!

BeforeEach does not work
with TestFactory

Exercise

- Use the parametrized runner

Exercise

```
@RunWith(Parameterized.class)
public static class Example{
    @Parameters(name = "{index}: translation({0})={1}")
    public static Object[][] data(){
        return new Object[][]{{"Hello", "Bonjour"}, {"Yes", "Oui"},
{"No", "Non"}};
    }
    private String input;
    private String output;
    public Example(String input, String output){
        this.input=input;
        this.output=output;
    }
    @org.junit.Test
    public void test(){
        TranslatorEngine translatorEngine = new TranslatorEngine();
        assertEquals(output, translatorEngine.translate(input));
    }
}
```

TestFactory vs. Test

```
@TestFactory
DynamicTest generateDynamicTest() {
    return DynamicTest.dynamicTest(
        "2 + 2 = 4",
        () -> assertEquals(4, 2 + 2,
            "the world is burning")
    );
}
```

```
@Test
@DisplayName("2 + 2 = 4")
void testMath() {
    assertEquals(4, 2 + 2, "the
        world is burning");
}
```

- Difference between `@ParameterizedTest` and `@TestFactory`
- A parameterized test goes through the normal lifecycle for each invocation
- With a test factory, the entire test can be dynamically generated, not just the parameters
- With a test factory, tests are created at runtime; instead a parameterized test already exists, and different parameters for each invocation are just provided