



Unit Testing

- Unit test: a small piece of program written by the developer to test the correctness of a unit in a particular case.
- Unit: In the context of OOP, a method or a class.

Unit Testing in Java

- We will use JUnit.
- Case Study:
 - Rational class
 - Clock class









F.I.R.S.T.

• Fast

- Tests should be fast.
- They should run quickly. When tests run slow, you won't want to run them frequently.
- If you don't run them frequently, you won't find problems early enough to fix them easily.
- You won't feel as free to clean up the code.
 Eventually the code will begin to rot.



F.I.**R**.S.T.

• Repeatable

- Tests should be repeatable in any environment.
- You should be able to run the tests
 - in the production environment,
 - in the QA environment, and
 - on your laptop while riding home on the train without a network.

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 If your tests aren't repeatable in any environment, you'll always have an excuse for why they fail.



F.I.R.S.**T**.

• Timely

- The tests need to be written in a timely fashion.
- Unit tests should be written *just before* the production code that makes them pass.
- If you write tests after the production code, you may find the production code to be hard to test.
- You may decide that some production code is too hard to test.
- You may not design the production code to be testable.

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