

# SWE 637 Software Testing Activities, week 2

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# Class Activity #2

Consider exercises 5 and 7 in Chapter 1 (p. 13-17)

- a) what is the fault?
- b) if possible, identify a test case that does not execute the fault.
- c) if possible, identify a test case that executes the fault, but does not result in an error.
- d) if possible, identify a test case that results in an error, but not a failure, and identify any initial error state.
- e) if possible, identify a test case that causes a failure

# Class Activity #2 (ex. 5, part 1)

```
/**
 * Find last index of element
 *
 * @param x array to search
 * @param y value to look for
 * @return last index of y in x; -1 if absent
 * @throws NullPointerException if x is null
 */
public static int findLast (int[] x, int y) {
    for (int i=x.length-1; i > 0; i--) {
        if (x[i] == y) {
            return i;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
// test: x = [2, 3, 5]; y = 2; Expected = 0
```

The fault:

The loop terminates early at  $i=1$  (code should be  $i \geq 0$ )

A test case that does not execute the fault:

A null value for  $x$  will terminate with an exception before reaching the fault

A test case that does not result in an error:

$x=[0,1,2]$ ,  $y=2$  (or any case where  $y$  appears after the first element of  $x$  or if  $x$  is empty) executes the fault but does not cause an error

An error that does not result in a failure:

If  $y$  is not in  $x$ , then the final value of  $i$  is an error but not a failure

A failure:

$y$  is the first element in  $x$

# Class Activity #2 (ex. 5, part 2)

```
/**
 * Find last index of zero
 *
 * @param x array to search
 *
 * @return last index of 0 in x; -1 if absent
 * @throws NullPointerException if x is null
 */
public static int lastZero (int[] x) {
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i] == 0) {
            return i;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
// test: x = [0, 1, 0]; Expected = 2
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 * @return last index of 0 in x; -1 if absent
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 */
public static int lastZero (int[] x) {
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i] == 0) {
            return i;
        }
    }
    return -1;
}
// test: x = [0, 1, 0]; Expected = 2
```

The fault:

The loop returns the first index of zero, it should count down

A test case that does not execute the fault:

None- all inputs execute the initialization and evaluation parts of the loop

A test case that does not result in an error:

x is null or has a length of 0 (arguably, if x has length of 1, final value of i will be incorrect)

An error that does not result in a failure:

Any value for x in which zero appears no more than once will have an error state but no failure

A failure:

Zero appears twice in x

# Class Activity #2 (ex. 5, part 3)

```
/**
 * Count positive elements
 * Note: zero is not considered positive
 *
 * @param x array to search
 * @return count of positive elements in x
 * @throws NullPointerException if x is null
 */
public static int countPositive (int[] x) {
    int count = 0;
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i] >= 0) {
            count++;
        }
    }
    return count;
}

// test: x = [-4, 2, 0, 2]; Expected = 2
```

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    int count = 0;
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i] >= 0) {
            count++;
        }
    }
    return count;
}

// test: x = [-4, 2, 0, 2]; Expected = 2
```

The fault:

Algorithm counts zeros as positive

A test case that does not execute the fault:

If x is null or has a length of zero, the fault is not executed

A test case that does not result in an error:

Any values for x which does not contain zero will execute the fault but not have an error

An error that does not result in a failure:

None – every input that causes an error results in a failure

A failure:

Any value of x that includes zero

# Class Activity #2 (ex. 5, part 4)

```
/**
 * Count odd or positive elements
 *
 * @param x array to search
 * @return count of odd/pos elements in x
 * @throws NullPointerException if x is null
 */
public static int oddOrPos (int[] x) {
    int count = 0;
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i]%2 == 1 || x[i] > 0) {
            count++;
        }
    }
    return count;
}

// test: x = [-3, -2, 0, 1, 4]; Expected = 3
```

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 * @return count of odd/pos elements in x
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 */
public static int oddOrPos (int[] x) {
    int count = 0;
    for (int i=0; i < x.length; i++) {
        if (x[i]%2 == 1 || x[i] > 0) {
            count++;
        }
    }
    return count;
}

// test: x = [-3, -2, 0, 1, 4]; Expected = 3
```

The fault:

Algorithm does not count negative odd numbers (Java's mod operator takes the sign of the quotient, so  $-3\%2=-1$ )

A test case that does not execute the fault:

If  $x$  is null or has a length of zero, the fault is not executed

A test case that does not result in an error:

Any values for  $x$  which contain only non-negative and/or even negative numbers will execute the fault but not the cause of the error

An error that does not result in a failure:

None – every input causes an error results in a failure

A failure:

Any value of  $x$  that includes a negative odd number

# Class Activity #2 (ex. 7, part 2)

```
public class BigDecimalTest {
    BigDecimal x = new BigDecimal ("1.0");
    BigDecimal y = new BigDecimal ("1.00");
    // Fact: !x.equals(y), but x.compareTo(y)==0

    Set <BigDecimal> tree = new TreeSet<BigDecimal>();
    Set <BigDecimal> hash;

    @Before public void setUp() {
        x = new BigDecimal("1.0");
        y = new BigDecimal("1.00");
        // Fact: !x.equals(y), but x.compareTo(y) == 0

        tree = new TreeSet <BigDecimal> ();
        hash = new HashSet <BigDecimal> ();
    }

    // this test fails!
    @Test public void inconsistentSets() {
        tree.add(x); tree.add(y);
        // TreeSet uses compareTo(), so tree now has 1 element

        hash.add(x);
        hash.add(y);
        // HashSet uses equals(), so hash now has 2 elements

        assertEquals(tree, hash);
        // hence the above assertion cannot possibly be true
    }
}
```

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textbook

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# Exercise 7 answers + Discussion

The fault:

BigDecimal's `equals()` requires instances to be the same in scale and value, so that "1.0"  $\neq$  "1.00"; `compareTo()` only requires instances to be the same in value, so that "1.0"  $==$  "1.00". If we assume `compareTo()` is correct and want to change `equals()`, that implies that `hashCode()` is also incorrect.

A test case that does not execute the fault:

Any code that does not call `equals()` or `hashCode()`, including methods of `HashSet`, will not reach the fault.

A test case that does not result in an error:

Tests of `HashSet` using only different values or the same values with the same scale reach the fault but do not result in an error.

An error that does not result in a failure:

None - tests of `HashSet` using the same values but different scales reach the fault, cause an error, and result in a failure.