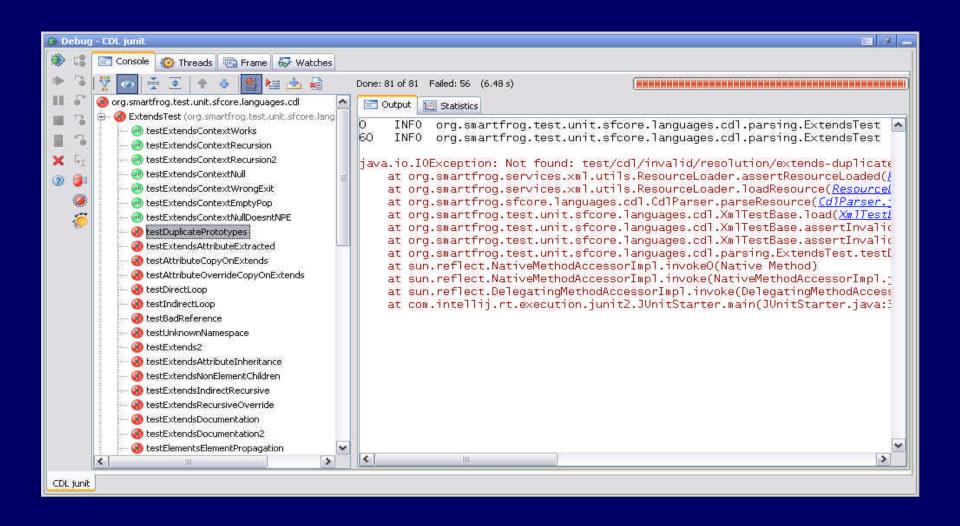
Testing

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your code doesn't work

i know this because ...

my code doesn't work



it's OK to write code that doesn't work

just don't ship it

A problem has been detected and Windows has been shut down to prevent damage to your computer.

The problem seems to be caused by the following file: aries.sys

PAGE_FAULT_IN_NONPAGED_AREA

If this is the first time you've seen this Stop error screen, restart your computer. If this screen appears again, follow these steps:

Check to make sure any new hardware or software is properly installed. If this is a new installation, ask your hardware or software manufacturer for any Windows updates you might need.

If problems continue, disable or remove any newly installed hardware or software. Disable BIOS memory options such as caching or shadowing. If you need to use Safe Mode to remove or disable components, restart your computer, press F8 to select Advanced Startup Options, and then select Safe Mode.

Technical information:

*** STOP: 0x00000050 (0xFFFFFFF8,0x00000000,0xF9CF5C88,0x00000000)

*** aries.sys - Address F9CF5C88 base at F9CF5000, DateStamp 424bb23f

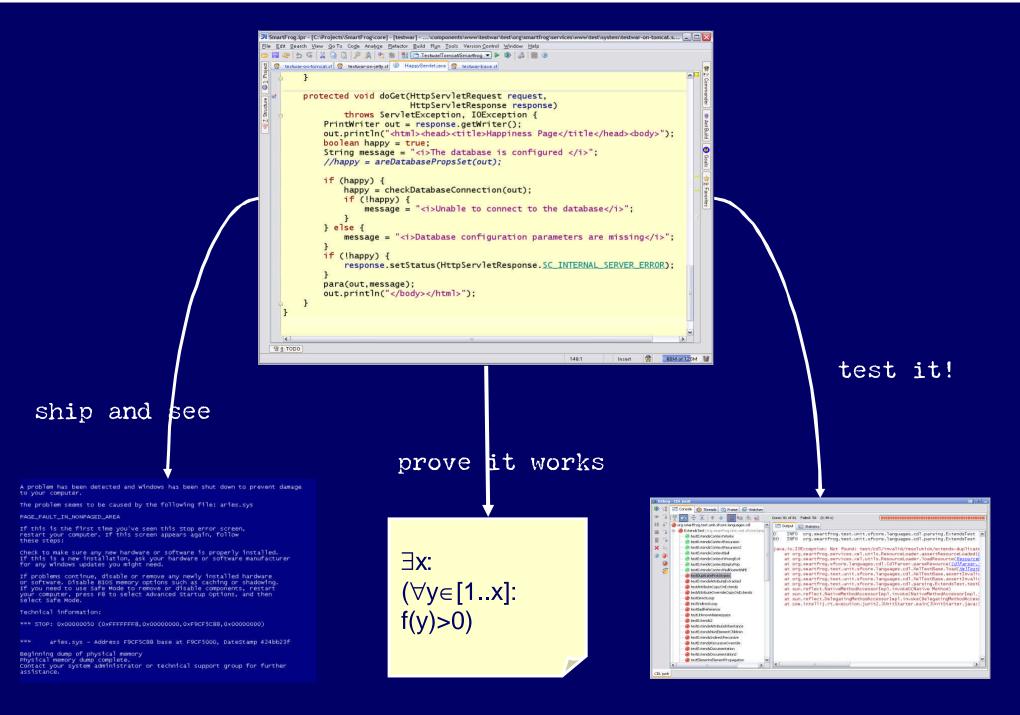
Beginning dump of physical memory
Physical memory dump complete.
Contact your system administrator or technical support group for further assistance.

especially if it matters





how do you get from "broken" to "shipping"?



proofs of correctness

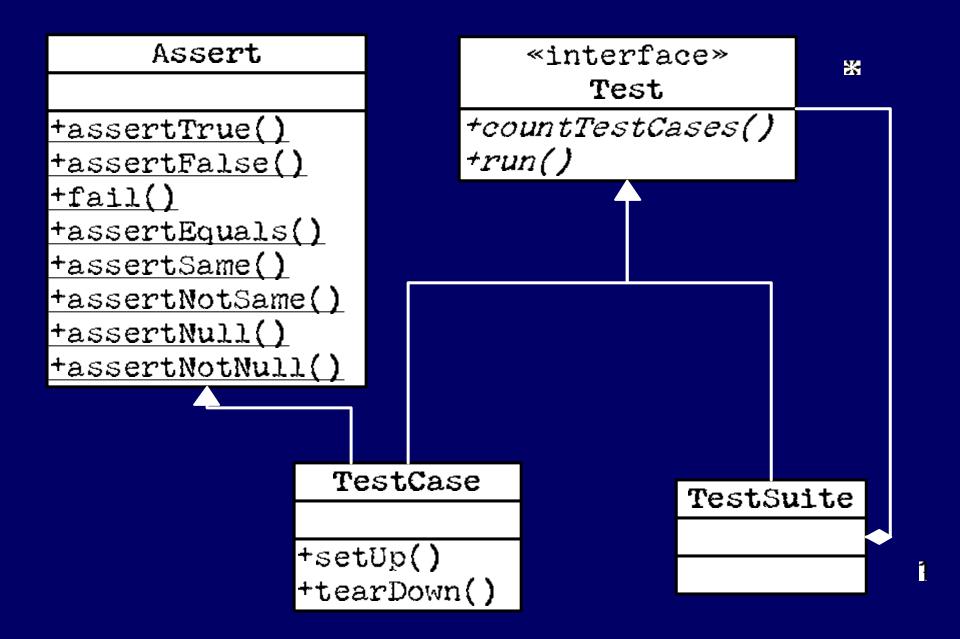
- + shows an algorithm really works
- + good for concurrency
- + and distributed things
- makes assumptions about system
- needs lots of maths/CS skills (Pi-Calculus, The HOL System)
- regression proofs?

Test Driven Development

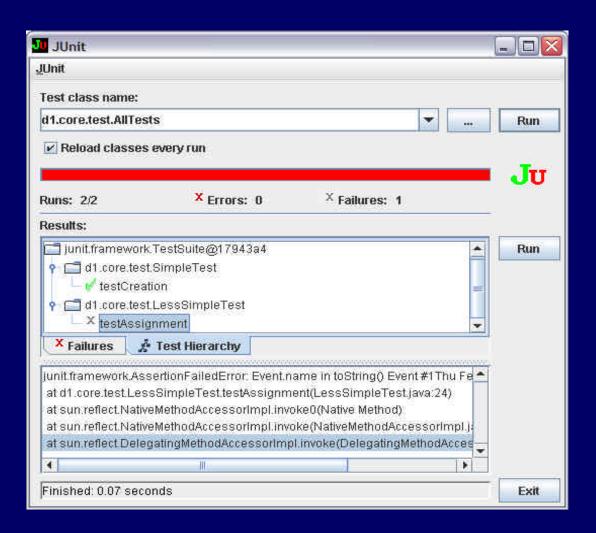
any feature without a test doesn't exist

JUnit

- * unit test framework in Java -versions for C++, Python, Ruby...
- * simple to learn
- * good tool support
- * somewhat low-level
- * extensions for system testing

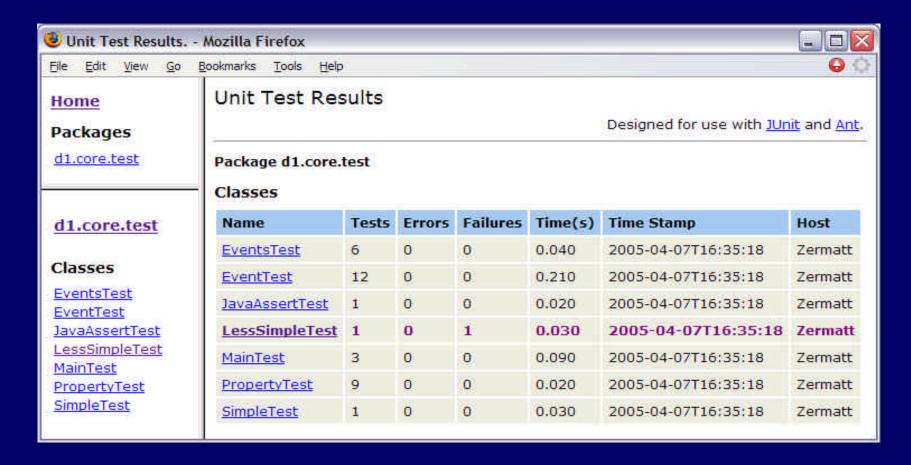


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public class LessSimpleTest extends TestCase {
    public LessSimpleTest(String s) {
        super(s);
    public void testAssignment() {
        final Date date = new Date();
        Event event = new Event(UUID. randomUUID(),
                        date, "now", "Text");
        assertEquals("self equality failed",
           event, event);
        assertEquals(date, event.getDate());
        assertNotNull(date.getID());
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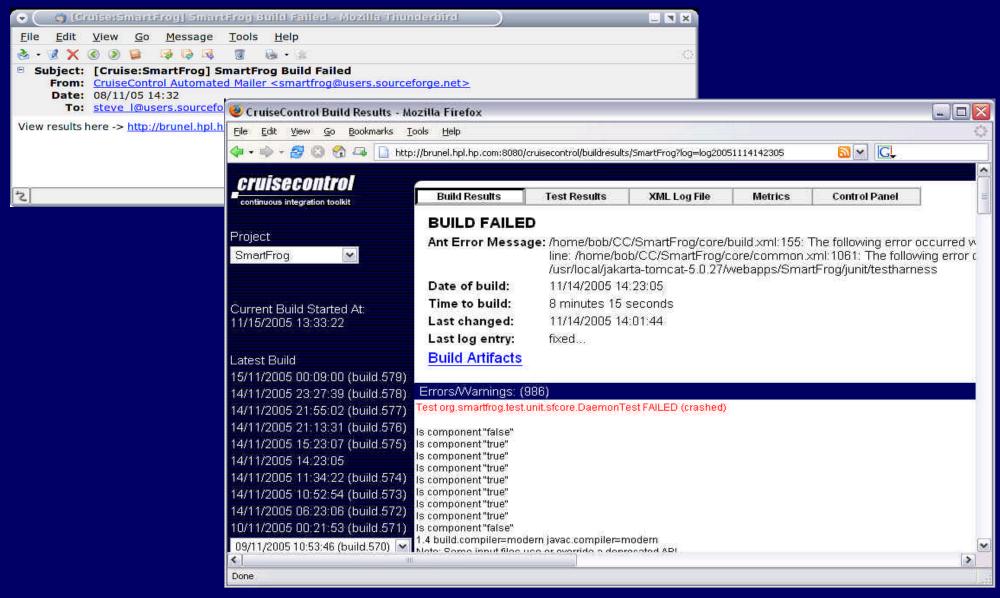
swing GUI TestRunner

Ant-generated report



scales better; reports published

Continuous Integration



System Testing

- * deploy, then:
 HttpUnit, XmlUnit, Cactus
- * needs automated deployment, database setup, teardown
- * performance testing by comparing timings w.r.t. old runs
- * Simulate entire behaviour of the client user/application

Distributed System Testing

- * Still a research topic
- * Set up complex configurations
- * Run tests on remote machines
- * collect results and log data
- * Post-mortem analysis
- * Virtualization can help

see http://tinyurl.com/y99tez

limitations of testing

- good tests are hard to write
- distributed tests very hard
- different system configurations are still a problem
- status of "tester" below "coder"

A good test breaks the application

politics: resistance to change

developers: ignorance, fear

E. E. E. Educate, Evangelise, Encourage

- * gently show benefits
- * use testing to track down a bug
- * retain test for regression testing
- * add tests for new code and old problems, not existing codebase
- * adopt cruise control, reporting

management: ignorance

"too much time spent on testing"

- * out of date with modern processes
- * belief that testing slows the schedule (only if you follow the ship-and-see process)

E.E.E., then D.D.D:
Distract, Dissemble, Defeat

Test Driven Standards?

any standard without a test doesn't exist