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# DrJava

## Appendix A

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# Learning Goals

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- Understand at practical level
  - Where to get DrJava
  - How to start DrJava
  - Dr Java features
  - How to add items to the classpath for DrJava
  - How to use the panes
  - How to compile and run the main method
  - How to generate Javadoc html pages
  - How to use the debugger
  - How to create and run JUnit tests

# Where to get DrJava

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- DrJava is a free development environment for Java aimed at students
  - From Rice University
- It can be downloaded from
  - <http://www.drjava.org/>
- It requires Java
  - We recommend using 1.5 (5.0)
  - Download Java first from [java.sun.com](http://java.sun.com)

# How to Start DrJava

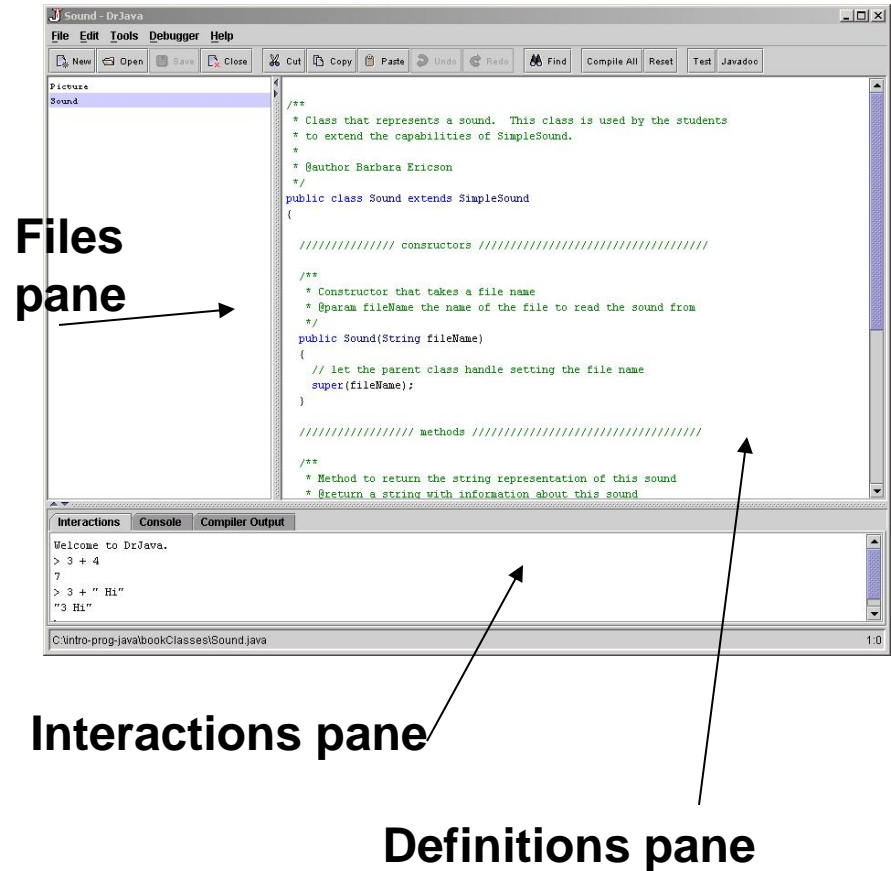
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- Click on the DrJava icon on your desktop
- Wait while DrJava loads
  - It will display the splash screen while loading
- Once you see the full environment
  - you may begin



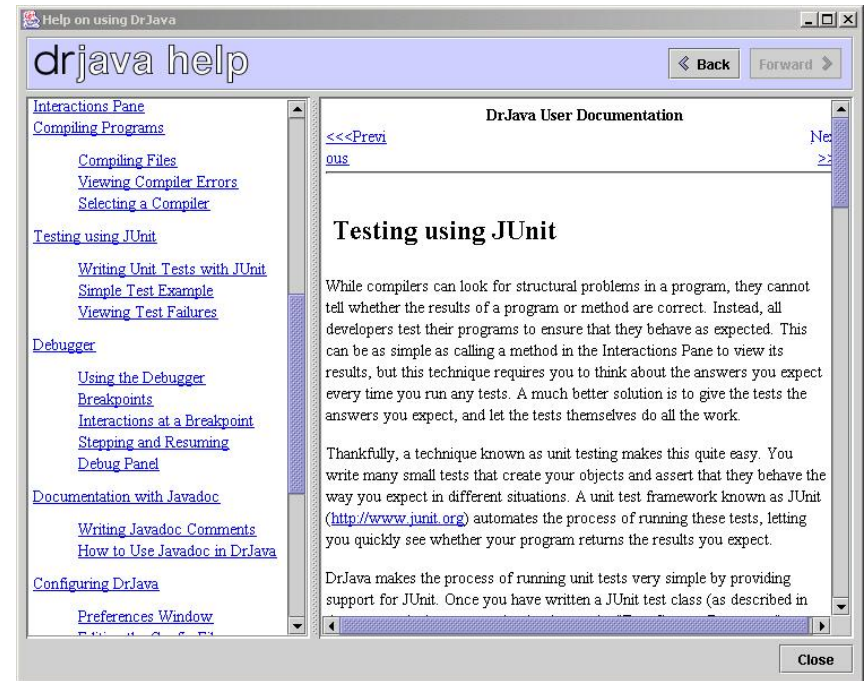
# DrJava Features

- Works with multiple files
  - Files pane
- Color coded editor
  - Definitions pane
- Interpretation of Java code
  - Interactions pane
- Integrated debugger



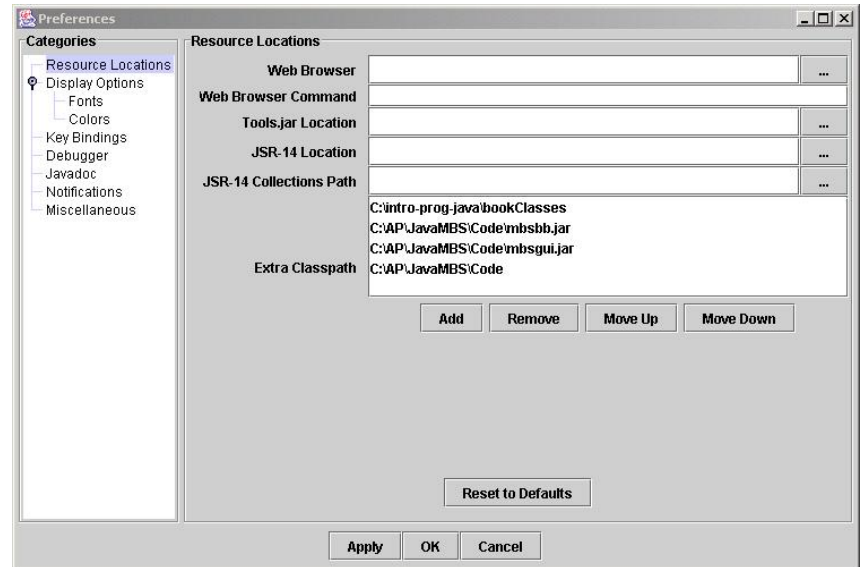
# Help Window

- Click on Help in the menu and then again on Help to bring up the help window
  - Or use F1
- The table of contents is on the left
  - Click on a topic to see the help on the right



# How to add to the classpath

- Bring up the preferences window
  - Click on Edit and then Preferences
  - Click the add button
    - And select all jar files that you want to add to the classpath
    - Also add directories that have classes that you wish to add to the classpath
    - When you are done click on “Ok”



# How to use the interactions pane

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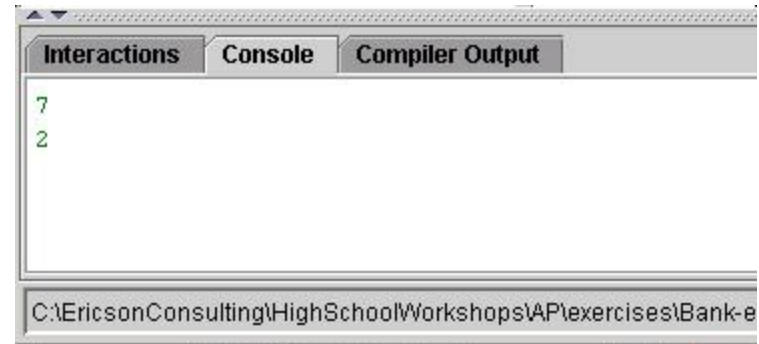
- If you don't end a statement with a semicolon ';' it will be interpreted and the result printed
- If you end a statement with a semicolon it will be interpreted but the result won't be printed
  - Use `System.out.println(expression)` to print
- To enter multiple line statements use Shift + Enter



# How to use the console pane

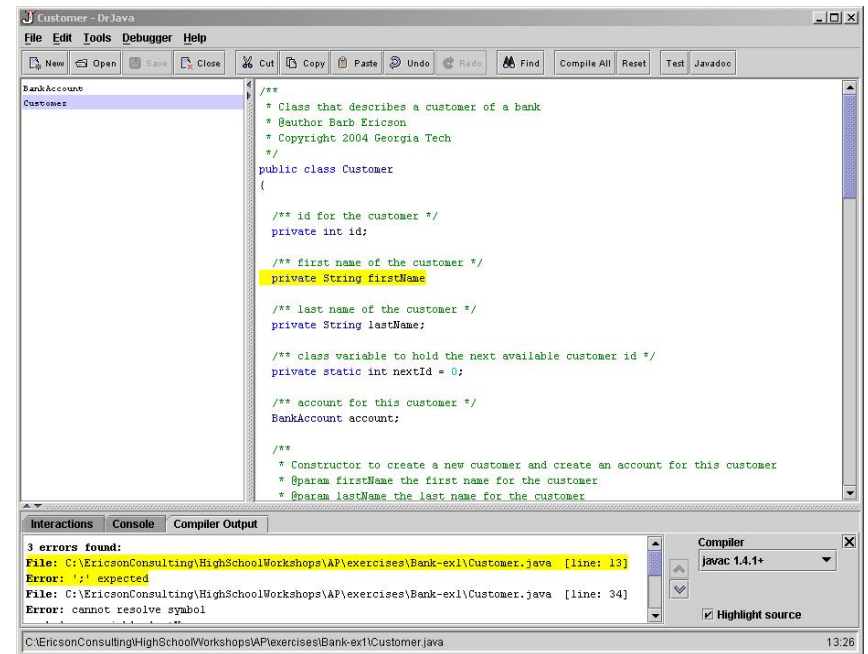
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- If you click on the console tab
  - You will see the console pane
- It shows just the items that you have printed to the console
  - Using `System.out.println` or
  - `System.out.print`



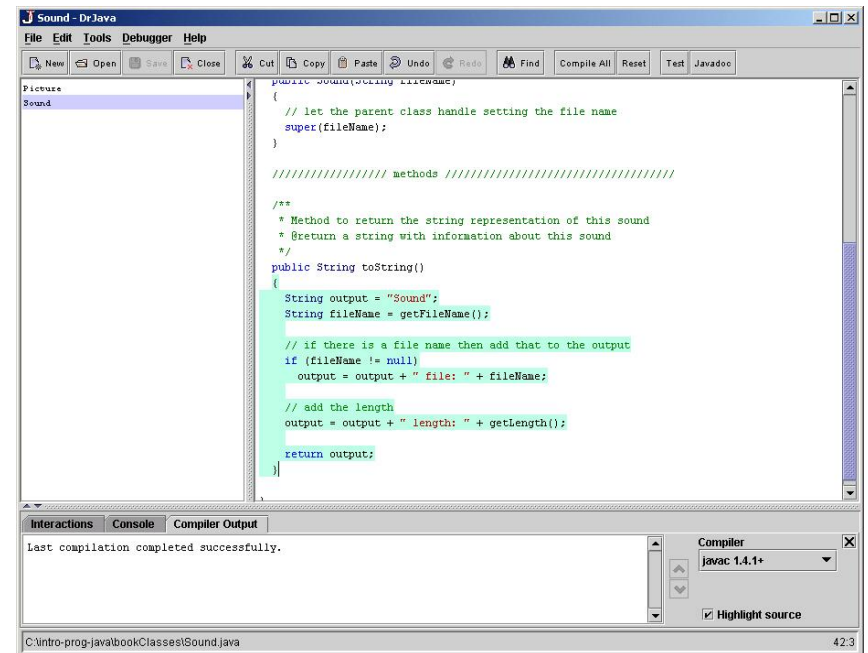
# Compiler output pane

- Compiler errors are shown in the compiler output pane
  - The first error will be highlighted and the line of code that caused the problem will be highlighted
  - You can also click on an error to go to the line that contains the error



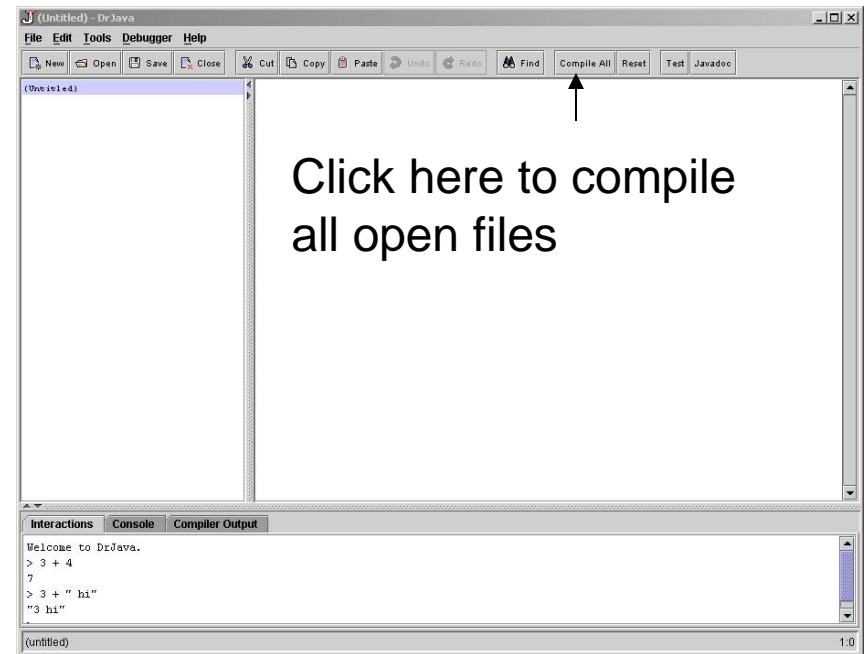
# How to use the definitions pane

- Click in the definitions pane to add code to a file
  - It will automatically indent for you when you hit enter
    - Or use tab
  - It will highlight all code in a block when you click to the right of a closing parenthesis
  - You can indent selected lines using the Edit menu
  - You can comment out and uncomment lines in the Edit menu



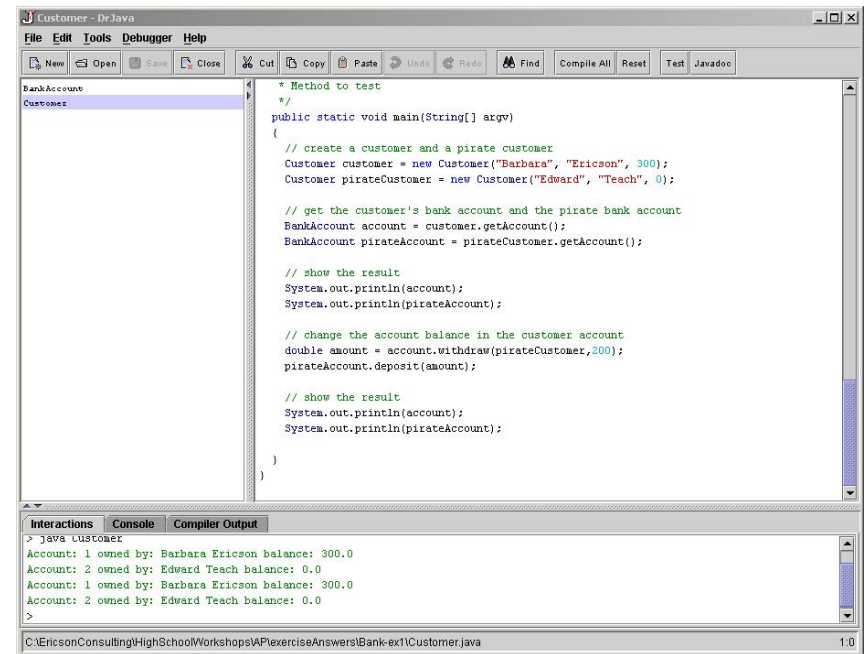
# How to compile programs

- Click on Compile All to compile all files in the files pane
  - Or use Tools->Compile All Documents
- You can compile just the shown file by using
  - Tools->Compile Current Document



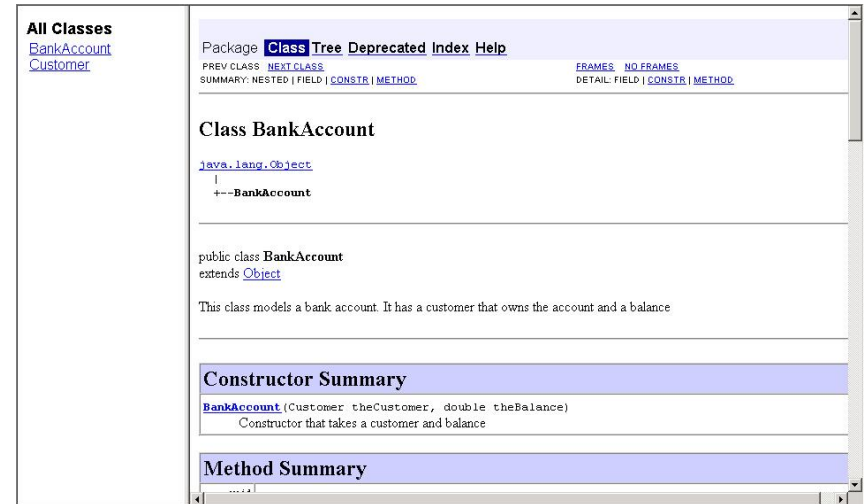
# How to execute programs

- Make sure that the file that you want to run the main method from is selected in the files pane
- Click on Tools->Run Document's Main Method
- Output will be shown in the interactions and console panes



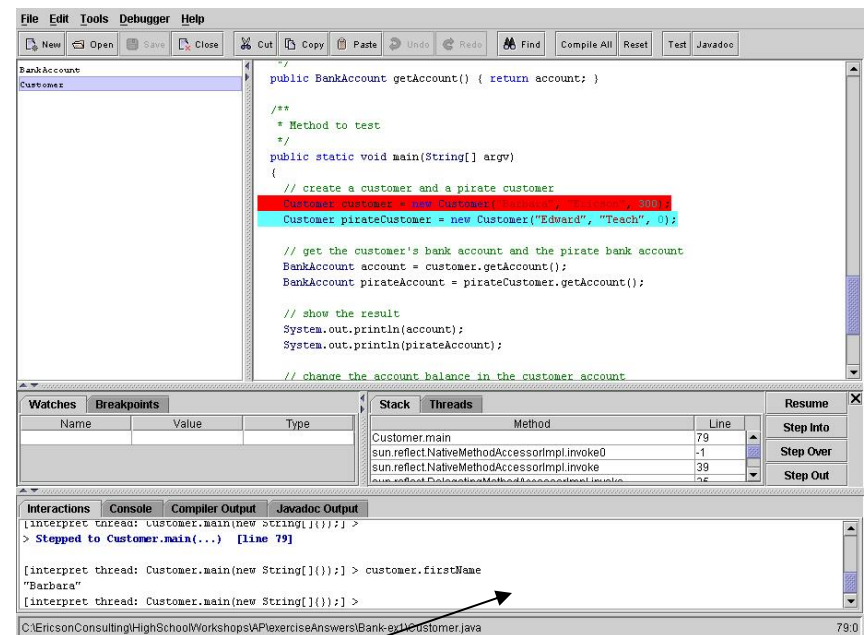
# How to generate Javadoc documents

- Click on the Javadoc button
  - It will generate the Javadoc documentation for all files in the folder and all subfolders for all open files
  - From javadoc comments  
`/** comment */`



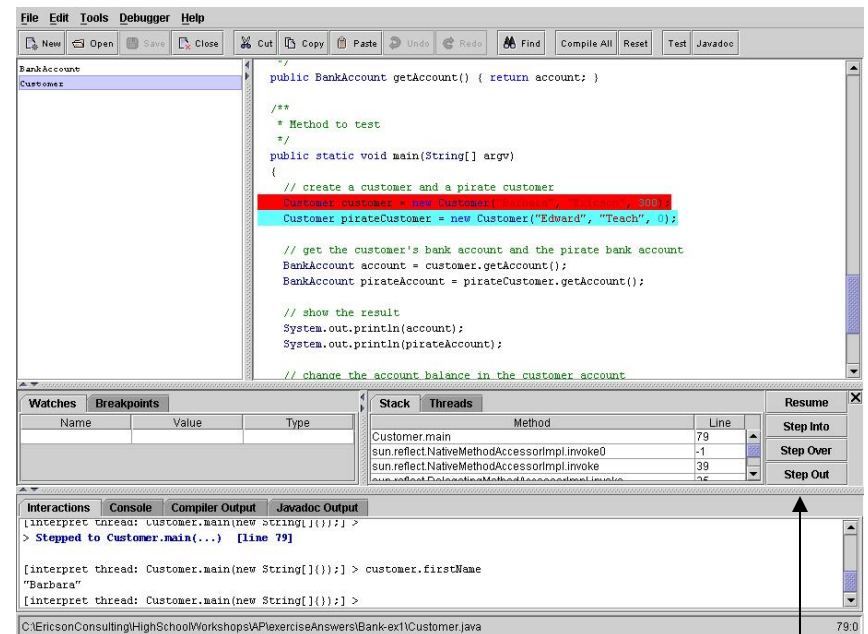
# How to use the debugger

- Click Debugger->Debug Mode
- Select a line of code to stop at “breakpoint”
  - Right click and Toggle Breakpoint
  - You can have several breakpoints
- Run the main method
- Use the interactions pane to explore the variables



# Debug Stepping and Resume

- Use Step Into
  - To see each piece of the current line being executed.
  - Goes into methods
- Use Step Over
  - To execute the current line without seeing the execution and stop before the next line is executed
- Use Step Out
  - To execute the rest of the current method and stop before the next line in the calling method
- Use Resume
  - To continue execution still the next breakpoint or the end of the program

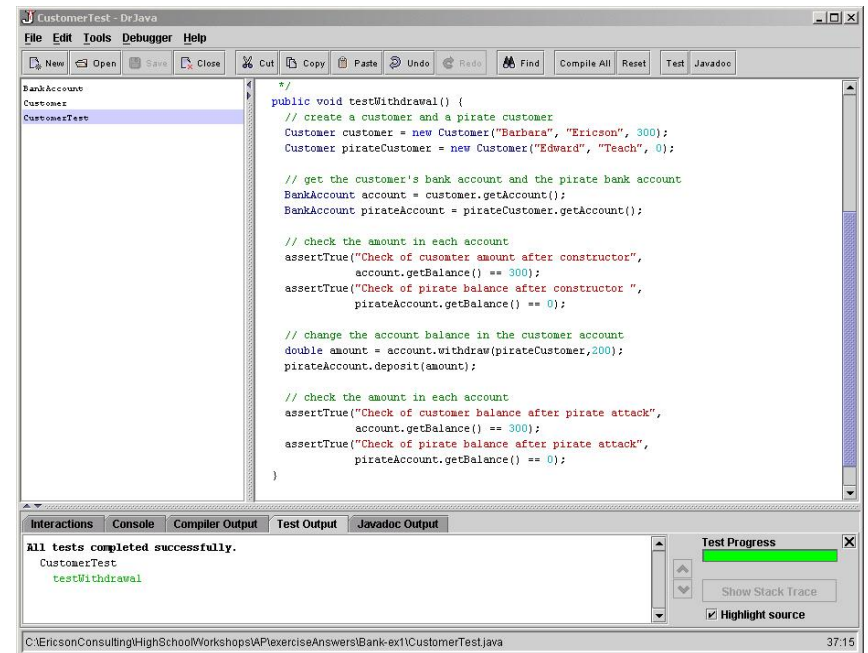


Stepping Options



# How to create JUnit tests

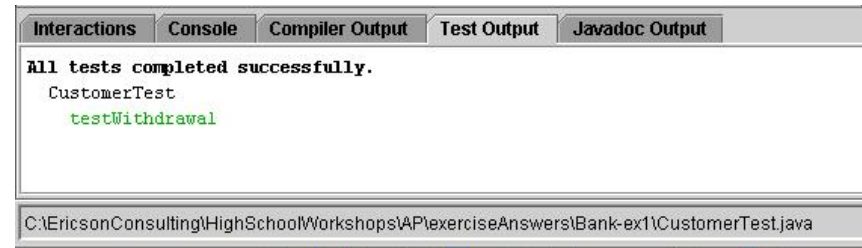
- Click on “Edit” then “New JUnit Test Case”
- Create one or more *testSomething* methods
  - assertTrue(String, boolean)
  - assertEquals(String, int, int)
  - fail(String)



# How to run JUnit tests

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- Click the Test button
  - Results are shown in the Test Output pane
- All failures will be reported
- JUnit tests are very useful for initial testing
  - And regression testing



# Summary

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- DrJava is a free, lightweight, development environment
  - Designed for students
- You can use it to create, compile, debug and execute Java programs
- You can use it to generate Javadoc documentation
- You can use it to create and run JUnit tests