

Web Advanced

Jest

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Using Matchers

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Jest uses "matchers" to let you test values in different ways. This document will introduce some commonly used matchers. For the full list, see the expect API doc.

Common Matchers

The simplest way to test a value is with exact equality.

```
test('two plus two is four', () => {
  expect(2 + 2).toBe(4);
});
```

In this code, <code>expect(2 + 2)</code> returns an "expectation" object. You typically won't do much with these expectation objects except call matchers on them. In this code, <code>.toBe(4)</code> is the matcher. When Jest runs, it tracks all the failing matchers so that it can print out nice error messages for you.

toBe uses Object.is to test exact equality. If you want to check the value of an object, use toEqual instead:

```
test('object assignment', () => {
  const data = {one: 1};
  data['two'] = 2;
  expect(data).toEqual({one: 1, two: 2});
});
```

toEqual recursively checks every field of an object or array.

You can also test for the opposite of a matcher:

```
test('adding positive numbers is not zero', () => {
  for (let a = 1; a < 10; a++) {
    for (let b = 1; b < 10; b++) {
      expect(a + b).not.toBe(0);
    }
  }
}</pre>
```

.toThrow(error?)

Also under the alias: .toThrowError(error?)

Use .toThrow to test that a function throws when it is called. For example, if we want to test that drinkFlavor('octopus') throws, because octopus flavor is too disgusting to drink, we could write:

```
test('throws on octopus', () => {
  expect(() => {
    drinkFlavor('octopus');
  }).toThrow();
});
```

Note: You must wrap the code in a function, otherwise the error will not be caught and the assertion will fail.

```
import Point from '../../src/js/drawing/Point';
test('constructor to generate a Point object',
    () => {
        let point = new Point(1,1);
        expect(point).toBeInstanceOf(Point);
    });
test('constructor to throw error if 1st param. not a number',
    () => {
        expect(() => {
            new Point("a", 1);
        }).toThrow(Error);
    });
test('constructor to throw error if 2nd parameter not a number',
    () => {
        expect(() => {
            new Point(1, "a");
        }).toThrow(Error);
    });
```

describe: de 3 tests van de constructor worden hieronder samengevoegd

```
import Point from '../../src/js/drawing/Point';
describe ('constructor',
    () => {
        it('should generate a Point-object for valid args',
            () => {
                let point = new Point(1, 1);
                expect(point).toBeInstanceOf(Point)
        it ('should throw error when 1st parameter is not a number
            () => {
                expect(() => {
                    new Point("a", 1);
                }).toThrow(Error)
            })
        it ('should throw error when 2nd parameter is not a number
            () => \{
                expect(() => {
                    new Point(1, "a");
                }).toThrow(Error)
            })
```

- toBe compares strict equality, using ===
- toEqual compares the values of two variables. If it's an object or array, checks equality of all the properties or elements
- toBeNull is true when passing a null value
- toBeDefined is true when passing a defined value (opposite as above)
- toBeUndefined is true when passing an undefined value
- toBeCloseTo is used to compare floating values, avoid rounding errors
- toBeTruthy true if the value is considered true (like an if does)
- toBeFalsy true if the value is considered false (like an if does)
- toBeGreaterThan true if the result of expect() is higher than the argument
- toBeGreaterThanOrEqual true if the result of expect() is equal to the argument, or higher than the argument
- toBeLessThan true if the result of expect() is lower than the argument
- toBeLessThanOrEqual true if the result of expect() is equal to the argument, or lower than the argument
- toMatch is used to compare strings with regular expression pattern matching
- toContain is used in arrays, true if the expected array contains the argument in its elements set
- toHaveLength (number): checks the length of an array
- toHaveProperty(key, value): checks if an object has a property, and optionally checks its value
- toThrow checks if a function you pass throws an exception (in general) or a specific exception
- toBeInstanceOf(): checks if an object is an instance of a class

MOCK A SINGLE FUNCTION

More simply, you can mock a single function using jest.fn():

```
const mathjs = require('mathjs')

mathjs.log = jest.fn(() => 'test')
test(`The mathjs log function`, () => {
   const result = mathjs.log(10000, 10)
   expect(result).toBe('test')
   expect(mathjs.log).toHaveBeenCalled()
   expect(mathjs.log).toHaveBeenCalledWith(10000, 10)
})
```

You can also use <code>jest.fn().mockReturnValue('test')</code> to create a simple mock that does nothing except returning a value.

PRE-BUILT MOCKS

You can find pre-made mocks for popular libraries. For example this package https://github.com/jefflau/jest-fetch-mock allows you to mock fetch() calls, and provide sample return values without interacting with the actual server in your tests.