02 Component Tests: Rendering

Testing React Apps

What is a component test?



React Testing Library

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What to test?

- Call methods/functions?
- Check state values?

"We don't encourage reading implementation details like state variables themselves...Instead, test observable behavior — i.e. what your component renders or does."

-- @dan_abramov, 2019-03-06 tweet

"A component contract is the agreement between a component and the rest of the application."

-- Edd Yerburgh, *Testing Vue.js Applications*

"Other components can assume the component will fulfill its contractual agreement and produce the agreed output if it's provided the correct input."

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Question:

What are some of the kinds of inputs and outputs that components have?

Inputs:

- Props
- User interaction events

- Rendered UI
- Calls to external functions

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Getter Functions

- screen.getByText
- screen.getByAltText
- screen.getByTitle
- screen.getByLabelText

Text

```
return <Text>Hello, world!</Text>;
screen.getByText('Hello, world!')
```

Text Input: Label

Image: Alt Text

```
return <img src={squirrel} alt="squirrel waving" />;
screen.getByAltText('squirrel waving')
```

SVG: Title

```
import {ReactComponent as WavingHand} from './waving-hand.svg';
return <WavingHand title="waving hand" />;
screen.getByTitle('waving hand')
```

Which Query Should I Use?

https://testing-library.com/docs/queries/about#priority

"your test should resemble how users interact with your code (component, page, etc.) as much as possible"

Which Query Should I Use?

- getByRole
- getByText
- getByDisplayValue
- getByPlaceholderText
- getByLabelText

Note on getByRole()

- It's the top recommendation
- Requires some learning about ARIA roles
- I recommend doing it

Confirming Presence

```
expect(screen.getBy...()).toBeVisible();
expect(screen.getBy...()).toBeInTheDocument();
```

Confirming Absence

Query Functions

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Query Functions

- screen.queryByText
- screen.queryByAltText
- screen.queryByTitle
- screen.queryByLabelText

Confirming Absence

expect(screen.queryBy...()).not.toBeInTheDocument();

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Exercise 1

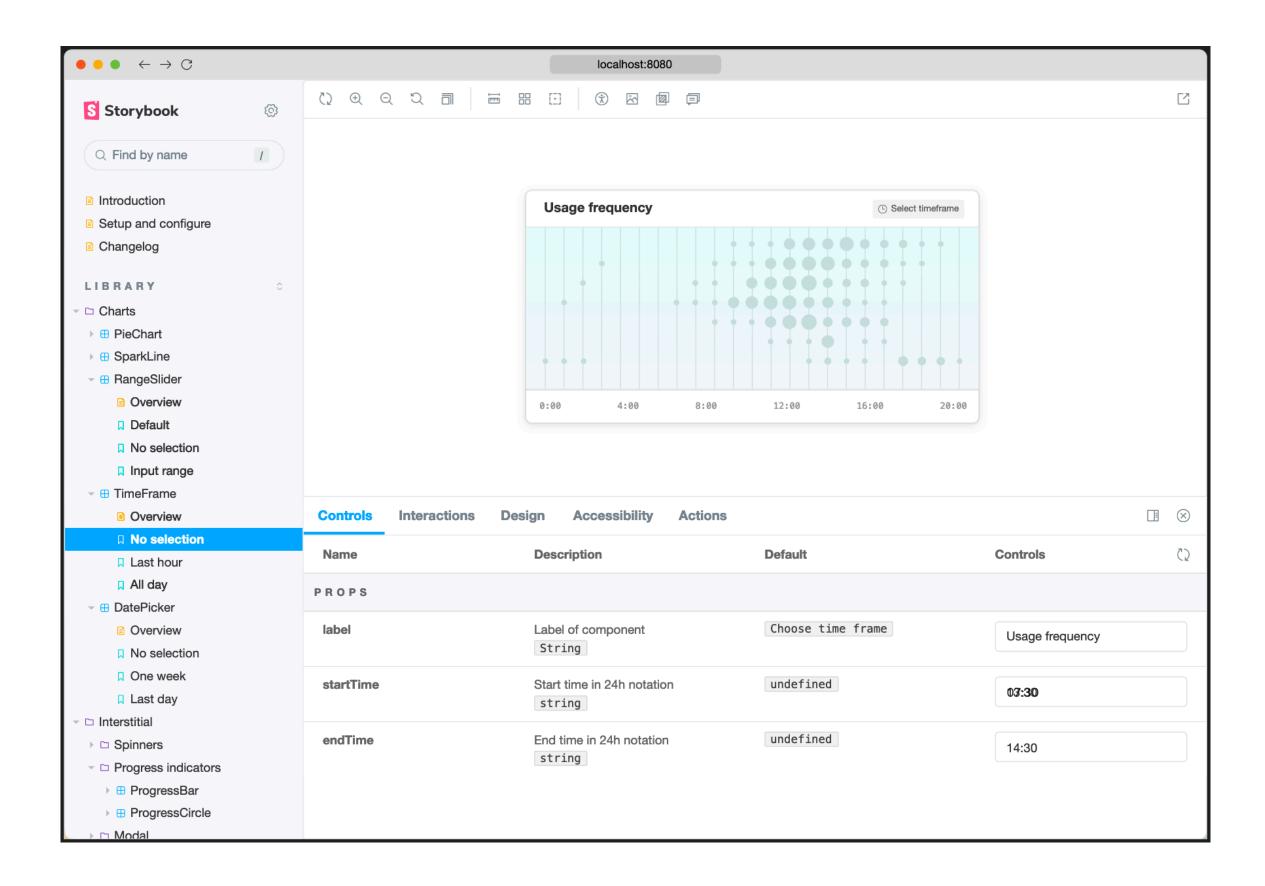
- react-testing-exercises
- exercises/Exercise-1.md

For help: testing-library.com/docs/queries/about

A few more notes about testing rendering and props



Testing Appearance



What about snapshot tests?

```
import renderer from 'react-test-renderer';
import Hello from './Hello';

it('renders correctly', () => {
   const tree = renderer.create(<Hello name="Josh" />).toJSON();
   expect(tree).toMatchSnapshot();
});
```