Using Arguments and Matchers



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Module Overview



Setting behavior on specific arguments

Using matchers

- Overload based expectations
- GMock built-in matchers

Creating custom matchers

More GTest assertions using matchers



```
ON_CALL(myMock, SomeMethod(_)).WillByDefault(Return(42));

EXPECT_CALL(myMock, SomeMethod(42))
   .Times(AtLeast(1))
   .WillRepeatedly(Throw(meaningException));
```

Recap: Controlling Mock Behavior

Use ON_CALL to set default behavior

Use EXPECT_CALL to set behavior and expectation in test

Both can use matchers



Using Wildcards

```
EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(_))

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(A<int>()))

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(An<int>()))
```



Generic Comparisons

```
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Count(Eq(100)) // arg == 100
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Count(Ne(100)) // arg != 100
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Count(Gt(100)) // arg > 100
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Count(Lt(100)) // arg < 100
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Print(IsNull()) // arg == NULL/nullptr
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Print(NotNull()) // arg != NULL/nullptr
```

EXPECT_CALL(fake, Print(Ref(str))

Why Use Matchers?



Different behaviors for the same method



Create complex workflows



Improve GTest Assertions



Verify the exact expectation



Type Based Matchers

```
EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(An<int>()))

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(TypedEq<int>(50)))

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(Matcher<int>(Gt(50)))
```



Using Matchers to Perform Different Actions

```
EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(_)).WillRepeatedly(Return(1));

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(Gt(10))).WillRepeatedly(Return(5));

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(Gt(20))).WillRepeatedly(Return(10));

EXPECT_CALL(fake, MyMethod(A<char>())).WillRepeatedly(Return(200));
```

```
MyMethod('a') \rightarrow 200
MyMethod(25) \rightarrow 10
MyMethod(10) \rightarrow 1
```



String Matchers



Combining Matchers

```
Allof(m1, m2, ...)
AnyOf(m1, m2, ...)
Not(m)
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Func(AllOf(NotNull(), Not(StrEq("")), 5))
MatcherCast<T>(m)
MatcherSafeCast<T>(m)
```



```
Field(&class::field, m)
Property(&class::property, m)
Key(v/m) // EXPECT_CALL(myMap, Contains(Key(42)))
Pair(m1, m2)
```

Member Matchers

Used to check fields, methods of arguments passed to fake method





Do not try to re-create the system under test using mocks and matchers



Assertions with Matchers

```
ASSERT_THAT(result, AllOf(NotNull(), StrNe("")));

EXPECT_THAT(result, AnyOf(Gt(100), Le(-100)));
```

Container Matchers

Whole matchers

ContainerEq(other)

IsEmpty()

Sizels(m)

Contains(e)

Each(e)

Individual items matchers

ElementsAre(e0, e1, ...)

ElementsAreArray({})

Pointwise(m, container)

UnorderedElementsAre(...)

WhenSorted(m)

WhenSortedBy(comparator, m)



```
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Method(a, b)).With(Eq())
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Method(a, b, c)).With(AllArgs(Eq())
EXPECT_CALL(fake, Method(a, b, c)).With(Args<1,3>(Eq())
```

Multiargument Matchers

Defined using With

Matches a tuple (x,y) using Eq, Ge, Gt, Le, Lt, Ne

Can select all arguments (default) or select a subset



Additional Matchers

Floating point

- DoubleEq, FloatEq
- DoubleNear, FloatNear
- NanSensitive

Pointer

- Pointee(m)
- WhenDynamicCastTo<T>(m)

Result of a function

- ResultOf(f, m)



Creating New Matchers

MATCHER macro MatcherInterface Truly(predicate)



Defining New Matchers

```
MATCHER(name, description){. . .}
MATCHER(IsEven, ""){return arg % 2 == 0;}
MATCHER_P(name, param_name, description) { . . . }
MATCHER_P(IsDividable, value, ""){return arg % value == 0;}
MATCHER_P2(InCloseRange, low, hi, ""){
   return low <= arg && arg <= high;
```

Writing New Monomorphic Matchers

```
template <typename T>
class MatcherInterface {
public:
    virtual ~MatcherInterface();
    virtual bool MatchAndExplain(T x, MatchResultListener* listener) const = 0;
    virtual void DescribeTo(::std::ostream* os) const = 0;
    virtual void DescribeNegationTo(::std::ostream* os) const;
```



Matchers Best Practices









When in doubt - do not use

When verifying calls, use matchers for better check

Use to improve assertions

Keep it simple



Summary



Using Matchers

- ON_CALL
- EXPECT_CALL
- ASSERT_THAT/EXPECT_THAT

Built-in matchers

Creating new matchers

- Truly
- MATCHER macros
- MatcherInterface

