Asserting Using Catch2



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Overview



Using REQUIRE

Multiple Asserts in one test

Checking for exceptions

Adding more information to failures

Converting types into strings



```
This is a test name
C:\Users\drorh\source\repos\DeepThought\Computer.cpp(6)
C:\Users\drorh\source\repos\DeepThought\Computer.cpp(10): FAILED:
  REQUIRE( myClass.MeaningOfLife() == 42 )
with expansion:
  -1 == 42
test cases: 1 | 1 failed
assertions: 1 | 1 failed
```

REQUIRE

Single macro for all/most assertions needs

Write the assertion in plain code

Excellent failure messages



Why You Should Care About Failure Messages?







Reduce Debugging Time



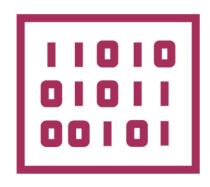
It's the purpose of the test



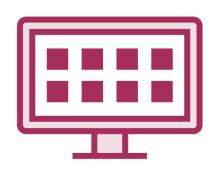
What's Wrong With This Test?

```
TEST_CASE("Encode uppercase letter --> return digit")
    StringToDigitsEncoder encoder;
    Digits expected({ 2 });
    REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("A") == expected);
   REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("B") == expected);
   REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("C") == expected);
```

The problem with Multiple Assertions



Lose information



Testing more than one aspect



Create complicated tests



Multiple Assertions for a Single Result

```
TEST_CASE("Tree has other word that begins with same letter") {
   WordsTree tree;
   tree.AddWord("ab", { 2, 2 });
   tree.AddWord("ad", { 2, 3 });
   auto result = tree.GetWords(Digits{ 2, 3 });
    REQUIRE(result.size() == 1);
    REQUIRE(result[0] == "ad");
```

When to use Multiple Assertions?



Multiple checks for single "concept"



Checking related logic



Always be pragmatic



REQUIRE and CHECK

```
REQUIRE (2 + 2 == 5); // Abort test --> Test fail
CHECK (2 + 2 == 5); // Continue test --> Test fail

REQUIRE(!MethodReturnsFalse());

REQUIRE_FALSE(MethodReturnsFalse);
CHECK_FALSE(MethodReturnsFalse);
```



Handling Multiple Assertions in One Test



Split to multiple tests

Use CHECK

Override operator ==

Compare Collections

Use Multiple asserts



Demo



Fixing existing tests

- REQUIRE vs. CHECK
- Splitting tests
- Overloading *operator==*
- Comparing collections



Asserting for Exceptions

```
REQUIRE_THROWS( expression )
CHECK_THROWS( expression )
REQUIRE_THROWS_AS( expression, type )
CHECK_THROWS_AS( expression type )
REQUIRE_NOTHROW( expression )
CHECK_NOTHROW( expression )
```



Demo



Testing for exceptions



Using Matchers

```
REQUIRE_THAT( result, matcher expression )
CHECK_THAT( result, matcher expression )

REQUIRE_THAT(numbers, VectorContains(3))
CHECK_THAT(str, StartsWith("Hello") || !EndsWith("World"))
```



String Matchers

```
REQUIRE_THAT(str, Contains("abcd"))
REQUIRE_THAT(str, StartsWith("abcd"))
REQUIRE_THAT(str, EndsWith("abcd"))
REQUIRE_THAT(str, Equals("abcd"))
REQUIRE_THAT(str, Matches("abc.*"))
REQUIRE_THAT(str, Contains("abcd", Catch::CaseSensitive::No))
```

Vector Matchers

```
REQUIRE_THAT(vec1, Contains(vec2))
REQUIRE_THAT(vec, VectorContains(1))
REQUIRE_THAT(vec1, Equals(vec2))
REQUIRE_THAT(vec1, UnorderedEquals(vec2))
REQUIRE_THAT(vec1, Approx(vec2))
```



Floating Point Matchers

```
REQUIRE_THAT(value, WithinAbs(11.0, 0.5));
REQUIRE_THAT(value, WithinULP(11.0, 2.0));
REQUIRE_THAT(value, WithinRel(11.0, 0.5));
```



Exception Matchers

```
REQUIRE_THROWS_WITH(MyFunc(), "Something bad happened")
CHECK_THROWS_WITH(MyFunc(), Contains("Something bad"))

REQUIRE_THROWS_MATCHES(MyFunc(), SomeException, matcher)
CHECK_THROWS_MATCHES(MyFunc(), SomeException, matcher)
```



Generic Matchers



Custom Matchers

```
class IntMatcher : public Catch::MatcherBase<int> {
public:
    bool match( int const& i ) const override {
        // Performs the test for this matcher
    virtual std::string describe() const override {
        // Produces a string describing what this matcher does
```

Adding More Information to Test Run

INFO **WARN FAIL** UNSCOPED_INFO **CAPTURE** FAIL_CHECK



Logging Macros

```
INFO("Passed first step");
INFO("Customer name is: " << customer.get_name());</pre>
CAPTURE(someValue); // someValue := 123
                                    FAILED:
CAPTURE(a, b, a + b, a > b);
                                     REQUIRE( myClass.MeaningOfLife() == 42 )
                                    with expansion:
                                     -1 == 42
                                    with messages:
                                     a := 1
                                     b := 2
                                     a + b := 3
                                      a > b := false
```



Simple information from complex types

```
class SomeClass
{
  public:
    int my_int_;
    double my_double_;
};
```

REQUIRE(result == expected)

```
Complex result
c:\projects\deepthought\someclasstests.cpp(5)

c:\projects\deepthought\someclasstests.cpp(15): FAILED:
    REQUIRE( result == expected )
with expansion:
    {?} == {?}
```

String Conversions

operator<<

Catch::StringMaker specialisation

CATCH_REGISTER_ENUM

CATCH_TRANSLATE_EXCEPTION



Operator << Overloading for std::ostream

```
ostream& operator<< (ostream& os, MyType const& value )
{
   os << convert ( value );
   return os;
}</pre>
```



Catch::StringMaker Specialisation

```
namespace Catch {
    template<> struct StringMaker<T> {
        static std::string convert( T const& value ) {
            return convert ( value );
```

Convert Enums to Strings

```
CATCH_REGISTER_ENUM(MyEnum, MyEnum::One, MyEnum::Two,...)
```



Custom Exception Text

```
CATCH_TRANSLATE_EXCEPTION( MyType& ex )
{
    return ex.message();
}
```



Summary



REQUIRE and CHECK

Multiple asserts in one test

Why we care about failure messages

Logging test information

Customizing the way objects are shown

