



**MkECLI Tester User Guide**  
***MKE API C++ Client Tester v1.0***

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# 1 Introduction

This document describes MkECLI Tester, a tool for testing `libmkeclient` [?].

## 2 Overview of th Used Terms

- **Scenario:** a single testing procedure that can contain one or more tests but should be constraint to test a specific functionality. Each scenario is stored in its own `test_*.cpp` file.
- **Assertion:** a single evaluation check, e.g.: `CHECK (a==b)`
- **Test\_case:** same as scenario
- **Section:** one/any of GIVEN/WHEN/THEN blocks.
- **BDD (*Behaviour Driven Development*)** - the testing syntax used in Tester ([more info](#)). The syntax looks as follows:

```
SCENARIO( "scenario_name" ) {  
    GIVEN( "something" ) {  
        WHEN( "something" ) {  
            THEN( "something" ) {  
                CHECK( testing_condition )  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

## 3 Dependencies

- **Catch2** library: already included in the code base as a single header file (`catch.hpp`).

## 4 Compilation

In order to compile the tester tool, provide the `-DMKECLI_TESTER=ON` CMake option during the `libmkeclient` compilation, e.g.:

```
mkdir build && cd build  
cmake -DMKECLI_TESTER=ON ..  
make
```

## 5 How to Run

All tests can be run by simply executing the `mkecli_tester` binary:

```
./mkecli_tester
```

The above command will start testing all the available scenarios and it will output errors only. It can take up to a few minutes to finish and it will output summary statistics upon completion. An illustrative example of several tests failing:

```
-----
Scenario: terminate_async
  Given: no connection
  Then: terminating
-----
libmkecli/src/tester/test_terminate_async.cpp:29
.....

libmkecli/src/tester/helpers_results.cpp:101: FAILED:
  CHECK( did_timeout == false )
with expansion:
  true == false

libmkecli/src/tester/helpers_results.cpp:102: FAILED:
  CHECK( did_error == true )
with expansion:
  false == true

libmkecli/src/tester/helpers_results.cpp:106: FAILED:
  CHECK( did_callbacks == 1 )
with expansion:
  0 == 1

=====
test cases:  16 |    9 passed |  7 failed
assertions: 1668 | 1644 passed | 24 failed
```

### 5.1 Available options

The available options can be explored using the command line parameter `help`:

```
./mkecli_tester --help
```

Most of the available parameters and their handlings are provided by the `Catch2` library. Parameters provided by MkE Client Tester itself are at the end of the list and are denoted by the `MkE:` prefix in the parameter description.

### 5.2 Setting connection

Currently, the only supported protocol for testing is TCP. The TCP connection can be specified using the following optional parameters:

- `host`: default value is "localhost"

- port: default value is "8888"

Examples:

```
./mkecli_tester --host localhost
./mkecli_tester --host 127.0.0.1 --port 8888
```

## 5.3 Selecting Tests

List of available scenarios can be obtained using the `-l` parameter:

```
./mkecli_tester -l
```

The above command will output a list similar to the following one:

```
All available test cases:
  Scenario: core_async_cascading
  Scenario: core_fast_requests
  Scenario: core_invalid_connection
  Scenario: core_memory_limit
  Scenario: core_multiple_connections
  Scenario: core_offline
  Scenario: core_stability
  Scenario: core_timeouts
  Scenario: device_info
  Scenario: device_info_async
  Scenario: device_state
  Scenario: device_state_async
  Scenario: firmware_info
  Scenario: firmware_info_async
  Scenario: frame_push_async
  Scenario: frame_push_async_interrupt_by_state_change
  Scenario: frame_push_stop_sync
  Scenario: frame_push_when_already_pushing
  Scenario: get_frame
  Scenario: get_frame_async
  Scenario: get_frame_exceptions
  Scenario: policies_get_async
  Scenario: policies_list_async
  Scenario: policies_set_async
  Scenario: terminate
  Scenario: terminate_async
26 test cases
```

A specific scenario can be executed by providing its name as a parameter:

```
./mkecli_tester "Scenario: device_info"
```

Tests that try to break things (e.g. clog connection with requests) or take more time are disabled by default. These tests can be allowed using the `aggressive` parameter and it is recommended to run them manually one by one so that the other tests are not affected. The list of tests that may get aggressive:

```
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: core_invalid_connection"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: core_memory_limit"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: core_multiple_connections"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: core_stability"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: core_fast_requests"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: terminate_by_reboot"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: ↵
    terminate_by_reboot_and_reconnect"
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes "Scenario: terminate_by_shutdown"
```

## 5.4 Output Formatting Options

Show all tests (even those successful ones):

```
./mkecli_tester -s
```

Show tests using a compact format, one test per line:

```
./mkecli_tester -r compact
```

Parameters can be combined, *e.g.*:

```
./mkecli_tester --aggressive yes --host localhost --port 8888 -r ↵
    compact -s "Scenario: device_info"
```

## 6 Writing Custom Tests

- Copy any existing scenario and save it under new file name, *e.g.*, `test_new_scenario.cpp`
  - To make things organized, do not forget to change the name in the beginning of the file. *e.g.*: `SCENARIO("new_scenario")`, so that it corresponds to the new filename
- Write tests. Few tips:
  - Get inspiration from other scenarios.
  - Write short and self-descriptive scenarios.
  - Do not over-complicate things so someone else can understand what went wrong with the test as quickly as possible.

## 7 Bibliography

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