

1. -v (Verbose Output)

Provides detailed output for each test.

Example:

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pytest -v
```

Output:

```
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test_example.py::test_add PASSED
test_example.py::test_subtract FAILED
```

2. -q (Quiet Mode)

Reduces the verbosity of the output.

Example:





3. --maxfail

Stops test execution after a specified number of failures.

Example:



Stops after two test failures.



4. --tb (Traceback Style)

Controls the traceback output format when a test fails. Common options:

- short: Minimal traceback.
- line: Single line per failure.
- no: No traceback.

Example:

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bash

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pytest --tb=short
```

Output:

```
E AssertionError: Expected 3, got 2
test_example.py:12: AssertionError
```

5. -k (Keyword Expression)

Runs only tests that match the given keyword expression.

Example:

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pytest -k "add or subtract"
```

Runs tests with names containing add or subtract.

6. -m (Run Specific Markers)

Runs only tests with specific markers.



```
python

# test_example.py
import pytest

@pytest.mark.slow
def test_slow_function():
    pass

@pytest.mark.fast
def test_fast_function():
    pass
```

Run only slow tests:

```
pytest -m "slow"
```

7. --disable-warnings

Disables warning messages during test execution.

Example:

```
bash

pytest --disable-warnings
```

8. --capture

Controls the capture mode for test output:

- no: Disables output capturing.
- fd: Captures stdout/stderr (default).
- sys: Captures Python sys.stdout/sys.stderr.



```
pytest --capture=no
```

Displays all print statements during test execution.

9. --durations

Displays the slowest tests after execution.

Example:

```
pytest --durations=3
```

Displays the top 3 slowest tests.

Output:

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plaintext

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3.00s test_example.py::test_slow_function

2.00s test_example.py::test_another_function
```

10. --junitxml

Generates a JUnit XML report for integration with CI tools.

Example:

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pytest --junitxml=report.xml
```

11. --html (Requires pytest-html)

Generates an HTML report.



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bash

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pytest --html=report.html
```

12. -x (Exit on First Failure)

Stops the test session immediately after the first failure.

Example:



13. --1f (Re-run Last Failed Tests)

Runs only the tests that failed in the last session.

Example:



14. --ff (Re-run Last Run Tests First)

Reorders the tests to run the previously failed tests first.

Example:



15. --collect-only

Lists all the test cases without executing them.



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bash

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pytest --collect-only
```

16. -n (Parallel Execution with pytest-xdist)

pip install pytest.xdist

Executes tests in parallel across multiple processes.

Example:



17. --markers

Lists all available markers in the project.

Example:



18. --help

Displays the complete list of pytest options.





Cheat Sheet

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Flag Description Verbose output $-\mathbf{v}$ Quiet mode -q --maxfail Stop after specified failures --tb Modify traceback output -k Run tests matching keywords Run tests with specific markers -m --disable-warnings Disable warnings --capture Control output capturing --durations Show slowest tests Generate JUnit XML report --junitxml --html Generate HTML report (with pytest-html) -X Stop on first failure --1f Re-run last failed tests --ff Re-run last tests first --collect-only List all tests without running them

Run tests in parallel