

Pinia Store Reference Guide

Core Store Properties

Property/Method	Description	Example Usage
<code>\$state</code>	Access or replace the whole state of the store	<code>store.\$state = { count: 0 }</code>
<code>\$reset()</code>	Reset the state to its initial value	<code>store.\$reset()</code>
<code>\$patch(partialState)</code>	Patch the state (object or function)	<code>store.\$patch({ count: 5 })</code>
<code>\$subscribe(callback, options?)</code>	Watch state changes	<code>store.\$subscribe((mutation, state) => {...})</code>
<code>\$dispose()</code>	Remove store from the pinia instance	<code>store.\$dispose()</code>
<code>\$onAction(callback)</code>	Subscribe to actions	<code>store.\$onAction(({ name, after }) => {...})</code>
<code>\$id</code>	The unique identifier of the store	<code>console.log(store.\$id)</code>

State Management

js

// Access state

```
const value = store.someState
```

// Replace state (not recommended)

```
store.$state = { count: 24 }
```

// Patch object state

```
store.$patch({  
  count: store.count + 1,  
  name: 'Eduardo'  
})
```

// Patch with function (better for multiple changes)

```
store.$patch((state) => {  
  state.count++  
  state.items.push({ name: 'new item' })  
})
```

Subscription Methods


```

// Subscribe to state changes
const unsubscribe = store.$subscribe((mutation, state) => {
  // 'mutation' is an object containing info about what changed:
  //   - type: How state was changed
  //     - 'direct' - when state properties were directly modified
  //     - 'patch object' - when using $patch with an object
  //     - 'patch function' - when using $patch with a function
  //   - payload: The data that was passed to $patch (undefined for direct mutations)
  //   - storeId: The ID of the store

  // Examples:
  if (mutation.type === 'direct') {
    console.log('Someone directly modified:', state)
    // e.g. store.count++, store.name = 'New name'
  }

  if (mutation.type === 'patch object') {
    console.log('Patched with object:', mutation.payload)
    // e.g. store.$patch({ count: 10, name: 'New name' })
  }

  if (mutation.type === 'patch function') {
    console.log('Patched with function')
    // e.g. store.$patch((state) => { state.count++; state.items.push('new') })
    // Note: payload will be undefined since the function is not available
  }

  // 'state' is the entire current state of the store after the mutation
  localStorage.setItem('cart', JSON.stringify(state))
}, { detached: false }) // detached: true makes it persist after component unmount

// Unsubscribe when no longer needed
unsubscribe()

// Subscribe to actions
const unsubscribeAction = store.$onAction(({
  name,      // Name of the action
  store,     // Store instance
  args,      // Array of parameters passed to the action
  after,     // Hook after the action returns
  onError    // Hook if the action throws
})) => {
  // Before action

```

```

console.log(`${name} action started with args: ${args.join(', ')}`)

after((result) => {
  // After action succeeds
  console.log(`${name} action completed with result: ${result}`)
})

onError((error) => {
  // If action fails
  console.error(`${name} action failed with error: ${error}`)
})
})

// Unsubscribe from actions
unsubscribeAction()

```

Store Setup Helper Methods

Method	Description	Example
<code>defineStore()</code>	Define a new store	<code>defineStore('id', options)</code>
<code>storeToRefs()</code>	Extract reactive refs from store state	<code>const { user, cart } = storeToRefs(store)</code>
<code>mapState()</code>	Map state to computed properties	<code>...mapState(useStore, ['prop1', 'prop2'])</code>
<code>mapActions()</code>	Map actions to methods	<code>...mapActions(useStore, ['action1', 'action2'])</code>
<code>mapStores()</code>	Map entire stores	<code>...mapStores(useUserStore, useCartStore)</code>
<code>mapWritableState()</code>	Map state with get/set	<code>...mapWritableState(useStore, ['prop1', 'prop2'])</code>

Common Store Patterns

Using with Components

js

```
// In component  
import { storeToRefs } from 'pinia'  
import { useCounterStore } from '@stores/counter'  
  
// Setup script  
const store = useCounterStore()  
  
// Destructure while keeping reactivity  
const { count, doubleCount } = storeToRefs(store)  
  
// Actions can be destructured directly  
const { increment } = store
```

Store with TypeScript

ts

// Define store with TypeScript

```
export const useUserStore = defineStore('user', {
  state: () => ({
    name: 'Eduardo',
    isAdmin: true,
    likes: ['coding', 'pinia'],
  } as UserState),

  getters: {
    nameInUpperCase(): string {
      return this.name.toUpperCase()
    }
  },

  actions: {
    async fetchUserData(userId: string): Promise<User> {
      // ...
    }
  }
})
```

// With Composition API + TS

```
export const useUserStore = defineStore('user', () => {
  const name = ref('')
  const isAdmin = ref(false)

  function setUser(newName: string) {
    name.value = newName
  }

  return { name, isAdmin, setUser }
})
```

Plugins and Extensions

js

```
// Add properties to every store
pinia.use(({ store }) => {
  store.$logState = () => {
    console.log(store.$id, JSON.stringify(store.$state))
  }
})

// Plugin with options
pinia.use(createPersistedState({ key: 'persisted' })))
```

Store Composition

js

```
// Use stores inside other stores
export const useUserCartStore = defineStore('userCart', () => {
  const user = useUserStore()
  const cart = useCartStore()

  const cartWithUserInfo = computed(() => {
    return {
      items: cart.items,
      user: user.name
    }
  })

  function purchaseItems() {
    cart.purchase(user.id)
  }

  return { cartWithUserInfo, purchaseItems }
})
```