

Table of Contents

1	json
1.1	Basic JSON Operations
1.1.1	Parsing and Validating JSON
1.1.2	Object Navigation
1.1.3	Array Navigation
1.2	Type-Safe JSON Conversion
1.2.1	From JSON to Native Types
1.2.2	Error Handling with JSON Path
1.3	JSON-based Snapshot Testing

json

The json package provides comprehensive JSON handling capabilities, including parsing, stringifying, and type-safe conversion between JSON and other MoonBit data types.

Basic JSON Operations

Parsing and Validating JSON

```
1
2  test "parse and validate jsons" {
3
4      assert_true(@json valid("{\"key\": 42}"))
5      assert_true(@json valid("[1, 2, 3]"))
6      assert_true(@json valid("null"))
7      assert_true(@json valid("false"))
8
9
10     let json = @json parse("{\"key\": 42}") catch {
11         (_ : @json ParseError) => panic()
12     }
13
14
15
16     inspect(
17         json.stringify(indent=2),
18         content={
19             let output =
20                 #|{
21                 #|  "key": 42
22                 #|}
23             output
24         },
25     )
26 }
```

Object Navigation

```

1
2 test "json object navigation" {
3     let json = @json parse(
4         "{ \"string\": \"hello\", \"number\": 42, \"array\": [1, 2, 3] }",
5     )
6
7
8     let string_opt = json value("string") unwrap() as_string()
9     inspect(
10         string_opt,
11         content=(
12             #|Some("hello")
13         ),
14     )
15
16
17     let number_opt = json value("number") unwrap() as_number()
18     inspect(number_opt, content="Some(42)")
19
20
21     let array_opt = json value("array") unwrap() as_array()
22     inspect(array_opt, content="Some([Number(1), Number(2), Number(3)])")
23
24
25     inspect(json value("missing"), content="None")
26 }

```

Array Navigation

```

1
2 test "json array navigation" {
3     let array = @json parse("[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]")
4
5
6     let first = array item(0)
7     inspect(first, content="Some(Number(1))")
8
9
10    let missing = array item(10)
11    inspect(missing, content="None")
12
13
14    let values = array as_array() unwrap()
15    inspect(
16        values iter(),
17        content="[Number(1), Number(2), Number(3), Number(4), Number(5)]",
18    )
19 }

```

Type-Safe JSON Conversion

From JSON to Native Types

```

1
2  test "json decode" {
3
4      let json_number = (42 : Json)
5      let number : Int = @json from_json(json_number)
6      inspect(number, content="42")
7
8
9      let json_array = ([1, 2, 3] : Json)
10     let array : Array[Int] = @json from_json(json_array)
11     inspect(array, content="[1, 2, 3]")
12
13
14     let json_map = ({ "a": 1, "b": 2 } : Json)
15     let map : Map[String, Int] = @json from_json(json_map)
16     inspect(
17         map,
18         content=(
19             #|{"a": 1, "b": 2}
20         ),
21     )
22 }

```

Error Handling with JSON Path

```

1
2  test "json path" {
3
4      try {
5          let _arr : Array[Int] = @json from_json([42, "not a number", 49] :
6          panic()
7      } catch {
8          @json JsonDecodeError((path, msg)) => {
9              inspect(path, content="$[1]")
10             inspect(msg, content="Int::from_json: expected number")
11          }
12      }
13 }

```

JSON-based Snapshot Testing

@json.inspect() can be used as an alternative to inspect() when a value's To Json implementation is considered a better debugging representation than its Show implementation. This is particularly true for deeply-nested data structures.

```
1
2  test "json inspection" {
3      let null = null
4
5
6      let json_value : Json = { "key": "value", "numbers": [1, 2, 3] }
7      @json inspect(json_value, content={ "key": "value", "numbers": [1, 2,
8
9
10     let json_special = { "null": null, "bool": true }
11     @json inspect(json_special, content={ "null": null, "bool": true })
12 }
```