

Advanced Testing With Jasmine

Jeff Bellsey

jbellsey@gmail.com

<http://futureground.net>



1

SPIES



SPIES

Objectives

Isolation

Prevent method under observation from invoking helpers (expensive, side-effect-prone)

Tracking

Ensure those helpers are actually being called properly

Control

Replace operations with simulations to test how our method responds

SPIES

```
1  var MealPlan = {  
2  
3      cost: 0,  
4  
5      // new recipe components have been chosen  
6      //  
7      updateRecipe: function updateRecipe(a,b,c) {  
8          this.cost = this.calculateCost(a,b,c);  
9      },  
10  
11     // this is an EXPENSIVE calculation! maybe does  
12     // a lot of DB querying, or AJAX requests  
13     //  
14     calculateCost: function calculateCost(a,b,c) {  
15         return a + b + c;  
16     }  
17 };
```

```
// intercept ("mock") the expensive calculation.  
// here we replace the function  
//  
spyOn(MealPlan, 'calculateCost').and.returnValue(99);
```

SPIES

```
20 it('should invoke "calculateCost" and store its result', function shouldInvokeRecalc() {
21
22     // intercept ("mock") the expensive calculation.
23     // here we completely replace the function
24     //
25     spyOn(MealPlan, 'calculateCost').and.returnValue(99);
26
27     // run the update method, which should invoke the calculateCost method
28     //
29     MealPlan.updateRecipe(4,5,6);
30
31     // was our mock invoked?
32     //
33     expect(MealPlan.calculateCost).toHaveBeenCalled();
34
35     // was the value stored?
36     //
37     expect(MealPlan.cost).toEqual(99);
38 });
```


SPIES

Useful spy methods

```
8 // creating spies
9 spyOn(obj, 'method').and.callThrough();
10 spyOn(obj, 'method').and.returnValue(0);
11 spyOn(obj, 'method').and.callFake(fn);
12 var newSpy = jasmine.createSpy('mySpy');
13
14 // testing spies
15 expect(obj.method.calls.count()).toEqual(1);
16 expect(obj.method).toHaveBeenCalledWith('param1', 'param2');
17
18 var args = obj.method.calls.mostRecent().args;
19 expect(args[0]).toBeLessThan(7);
```

2

TIMERS



TIMERS

```
1  'use strict';
2
3  var myAnimation = {
4
5      animationLength: 1000,
6      hasAnimationRun: false,
7
8      run: function RunAnimation() {
9          var self = this;
10
11          // this pretend animation is super-simple:
12          // (1) pause, then (2) flag the animation as completed
13          //
14          setTimeout(function AnimationCallback() {
15              self.hasAnimationRun = true;
16          }, self.animationLength)
17      }
18  };
```

```
jasmine.clock().install();
jasmine.clock().tick(ms);
jasmine.clock().uninstall();
```


TIMERS

```
6 describe('Animation', function AnimationTest() {
7
8     // install mock timer
9     //
10    beforeEach(function BeforeAnimationTests() {
11        jasmine.clock().install();
12    });
13    afterEach(function AfterAnimationTests() {
14        jasmine.clock().uninstall();
15    });
16
17    it('should not run the animation synchronously', function shouldNotRunAnimSync() {
18
19        myAnimation.run();
20        expect(myAnimation.hasAnimationRun).toBeFalsy();
21    });
22
23    it('should run the animation Asynchronously', function shouldRunAnimAsync() {
24
25        // initiate an async event
26        //
27        myAnimation.run();
28
29        // move the mock timer forward the right amount
30        //
31        jasmine.clock().tick(myAnimation.animationLength);
32
33        // and NOW it should have completed
34        //
35        expect(myAnimation.hasAnimationRun).toBeTruthy();
36    });
37 });
```

TIMERS

What about
requestAnimationFrame?

Velocity.js

`$.Velocity.mock = true;`

Greensock

`TimelineLite.timeScale()`

Some testing support is best
provided outside of Jasmine

2

Bonus!

AJAX



AJAX

Most of the time...
YOU DON'T.

Use library mocks

Angular.js => angular-mocks

jQuery => mockJax

Backbone => backbone-faux-server

Integration tests

Karma

Selenium

PhantomJS

But once in a while...

AJAX

```
1  'use strict'; /* global $ */
2
3  var OffsiteAPI = {
4
5      gotData: false,
6
7      // offsite asynchronous API call to randomuser.me
8      //
9      retrieveData: function RetrieveData() {
10         var self = this;
11
12         // use the promise interface to $.ajax.
13         // the return value is also a promise
14         //
15         return $.ajax('http://api.randomuser.me/')
16             .done(function AjaxDoneCallback(data) {
17                 self.gotData = true;
18             });
19     }
20 };
```

AJAX

```
4      'use strict'; /* global $, describe, it, expect */
5
6      describe('Ajax', function AjaxTest() {
7
8          // note the use of the "onComplete" callback we're given
9          //
10         it("successfully tests asynch API call", function AsyncTests(onComplete){
11
12             // initiate an AJAX request, which passes
13             // back a jQuery promise
14             //
15             var $promise = OffsiteAPI.retrieveData();
16
17             $promise
18                 .done(function PromiseDone(data) {
19
20                 // validate the data here:
21                 //
22                 expect(data).toBeDefined();
23             })
24             .always(onComplete);    // <= this is the key; it closes the test
25         });
26     });
```

3

DOM



DOM

```
3  var DOMactions = {
4
5    // this method sticks an image into a parent container.
6    //
7    insertKittenInto: function(parent) {
8      var img = '';
9      $(parent).append(img);
10   }
11  };
```

Jasmine-jQuery plugin

```
6  describe('DOM Actions', function DOMActionTestSuite() {
7
8    // set up the DOM required by our "plugin".
9    // no need to clean it up between tests.
10   //
11   beforeEach(function BeforeDOM() {
12     setFixtures('<div id="imageContainer"></div>');
13   });
14
15   it('should insert an image tag with class "kitten"', function InsertImageTest() {
16     DOMactions.insertKittenInto('#imageContainer');
17     expect($('#imageContainer')).toContainElement('img.kitten');
18   });
19 });
```


DOM

Jasmine-jQuery plugin

```
25 expect($div.toExist());
26 expect($div.toBeEmpty());
27 expect($div.toBeVisible());
28 expect($div.toHaveClass('active'));
29 expect($h1.toContainText('title'));
30 expect($checkbox.toBeChecked());
31
32 // event spies
33 eventSpy = spyOnEvent('#buy-button', 'click');
34 $btn.trigger('click');
35 expect('click').toHaveBeenTriggeredOn('#buy-button');
```

Has tons of great matchers

4

CUSTOM MATCHERS



CUSTOM MATCHERS

```
1      'use strict';
2
3      var BookShelf = {
4
5          books: [
6              'Alphabet Soup',
7              'Infinite Jest',
8              'Wisdom of the Enneagram'
9          ],
10
11         addBook: function(b) {
12             this.books.push(b);
13             this.books.sort();
14         }
15     };
```

CUSTOM MATCHERS

```
6 // simple, generic test
7 function isArraySorted(arr) {
8     for (var i = 1, ct = arr.length; i < ct; ++i) {
9         if (arr[i-1] > arr[i])
10             return false;
11     }
12     return true;
13 }
14
15 describe('Custom Matcher', function CustomMatcherSuite() {
16
17     var customMatchers = {
18
19         toBeSorted: function ToBeSorted() {
20             return {
21                 compare: function(actualArray) {
22                     var isSorted = isArraySorted(actualArray);
23                     return {
24                         pass: isSorted,
25                         message: isSorted
26                             ? "Expected [" + actualArray + "] to be sorted"
27                             : "Expected [" + actualArray + "] to be sorted, but it wasn't"
28                     };
29                 }
30             };
31         }
32     };
33
34     beforeEach(function BeforeCustom() {
35         jasmine.addMatchers(customMatchers);
36     });
37
38     it('should insert a book and stay sorted', function InsertBookTest() {
39         BookShelf.addBook("Silmarillion");
40         expect(BookShelf.books).toBeSorted();
41     });
42 });
```




Jeff Bellsey

jbellsy@gmail.com

<http://futureground.net>