

Asserting Using Catch



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Overview



Using REQUIRE

Multiple Asserts in one test

Checking for exceptions

Adding more information to failures

Converting types into strings

```
TEST_CASE("This is a test name")
{
    MyClass myClass;

    REQUIRE(myClass.MeaningOfLi
}
```

```
~~~~~
DeepThought.exe is a Catch v1.5.6 host application.
Run with -? for options
```

```
-----
This is a test name
-----
```

```
c:\projects\deephought\computer.cpp(10)
.....
```

```
c:\projects\deephought\computer.cpp(14): FAILED:
    REQUIRE( myClass.MeaningOfLife() == 42 )
with expansion:
    -1 == 42
```

```
=====
test cases: 1 | 1 failed
assertions: 1 | 1 failed
```

```
Press any key to continue . . .
```

REQUIRE

Single macro for all/most assertions needs

Write the assertion in plain code

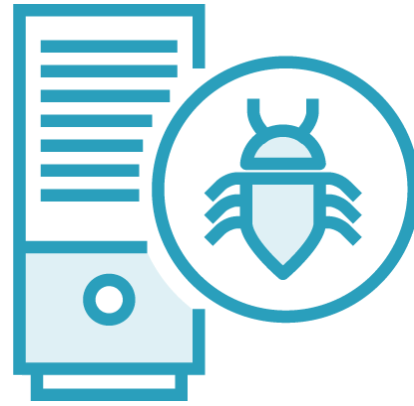
Excellent failure messages



Why Should You Care About Failure Messages?



**Understand why
the test failed**



**Reduce debugging
time**



**It's the purpose
of the test**

What's Wrong With This Test?

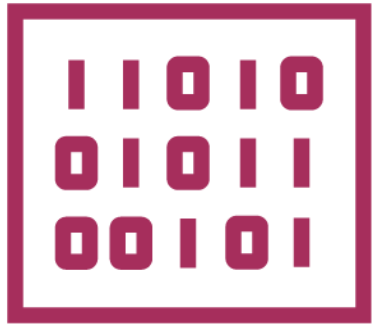
```
TEST_CASE("Encode uppercase letter --> return digit")
{
    StringToDigitsEncoder encoder;

    Digits expected({ 2 });

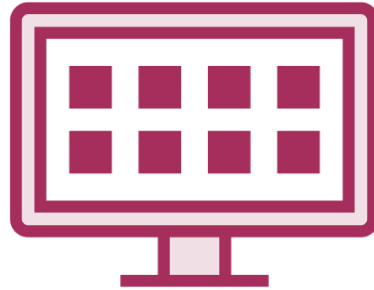
    REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("A") == expected);
    REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("B") == expected);
    REQUIRE(encoder.Encode("C") == expected);
}
```



The Problem with Multiple Assertions



Lose information



Testing more than
one aspect



Create
complicated tests

Multiple Assertions for a Single Result

```
TEST_CASE("Tree has other word that begins with same letter") {  
    WordsTree tree;  
  
    tree.AddWord("ab", { 2, 2 });  
    tree.AddWord("ad", { 2, 3 });  
  
    auto result = tree.GetWords(Digits{ 2, 3 });  
  
    REQUIRE(result.size() == 1);  
    REQUIRE(result[0] == "ad");  
}
```



When to use Multiple Assertions?



**Multiple checks for
single “concept”**



**Checking
related logic**



**Always be
pragmatic**

REQUIRE and CHECK

```
REQUIRE (2 + 2 == 5); // Abort test --> Test fail
```

```
CHECK (2 + 2 == 5); // Continue test --> Test fail
```

```
REQUIRE(!MethodReturnsFalse());
```

```
REQUIRE_FALSE(MethodReturnsFalse);
```

```
CHECK_FALSE(MethodReturnsFalse);
```



Handling Multiple Assertions in One Test



Split to multiple tests

Use CHECK

Override operator ==

Compare Collections

Use Multiple asserts

Demo



Fixing existing tests

- REQUIRE vs. CHECK
- Splitting tests
- Overloading *operator==*
- Comparing collections



Asserting for Exceptions

`REQUIRE_THROWS(expression)`

`CHECK_THROWS(expression)`

`REQUIRE_THROWS_AS(expression, type)`

`CHECK_THROWS_AS(expression type)`

`REQUIRE_NOTHROW(expression)`

`CHECK_NOTHROW(expression)`



Demo



Testing for exceptions



Adding More Information to Test Run

INFO

WARN

FAIL

CAPTURE



Logging Macros

```
INFO("Passed first step");
```

```
INFO("Customer name is: " << customer.get_name());
```

```
CAPTURE(someValue); // someValue := 123
```



Simple Information from Complex Types

```
class SomeClass
{
public:
    int my_int_;
    double my_double_;
};
```

```
    REQUIRE(result == expected)
```

```
-----
Complex result
-----
```

```
c:\projects\deephought\someclasstests.cpp(5)
.....
```

```
c:\projects\deephought\someclasstests.cpp(15): FAILED:
    REQUIRE( result == expected )
with expansion:
    {?} == {?}
```


String Conversions

`operator<<`

`Catch::toString`

`Catch::StringMaker`
specialisation

`CATCH_TRANSLATE_EXCEPTION`



Operator << Overloading for std::ostream

```
ostream& operator<< (ostream& os, MyType const& value )  
{  
    os << convert ( value );  
    return os;  
}
```



Catch::toString Overload

```
namespace Catch
{
    string toString(MyType const& value )
    {
        return convert ( value );
    }
}
```



Catch::StringMaker Specialisation

```
namespace Catch {  
    template<> struct StringMaker<T> {  
        static std::string convert( T const& value ) {  
            return convert ( value );  
        }  
    };  
}
```



Custom Exception Text

```
CATCH_TRANSLATE_EXCEPTION( MyType& ex )  
{  
    return ex.message();  
}
```



Demo



Logging Macros

Fixing test output for complex results



Summary



REQUIRE and CHECK

Multiple asserts in one test

Why we care about failure messages

Logging test information

Customizing the way objects are shown