



Test doubles

Isn't everything a mock?



Types of double

- **Dummy**
 - Filler objects that are not really used in the tests
- **Fake**
 - Objects that implement a shortcut such as an in memory database
- **Stub**
 - Objects implemented with canned answers for the tests
- **Mock**
 - Objects implemented with expectations for the calls made to it
- **Spy**
 - Actually stubs but also records data about the calls made to it



Types of double (focus)

- Stub
 - Objects implemented with canned answers for the tests
 - Mostly when testing state
- Mock
 - Objects implemented with expectations for the calls to be made to it
 - Mostly when testing behavior



Asserting state

```
[Fact]
| 0 references
public void ShouldSubtractStockWhenOrderCompleted_StateCheck()
{
    var warehouse = new Warehouse();
    warehouse.Add(PRODUCT_1, 50);

    var order = new Order(PRODUCT_1, 10);
    order.Complete(warehouse);

    Assert.Equal(40, warehouse.GetStock(PRODUCT_1));
}
```



Asserting behavior

```
[Fact]
| 0 references
public void ShouldSubtractStockWhenOrderCompleted_BehaviorCheck()
{
    var warehouseMock = new Mock<Warehouse>();
    warehouseMock.Setup(x => x.HasStock(PRODUCT_1, 10)).Returns(true);

    var order = new Order(PRODUCT_1, 10);
    order.Complete(warehouseMock.Object);

    warehouseMock.Verify(x => x.HasStock(PRODUCT_1, 10), Times.Once);
    warehouseMock.Verify(x => x.Remove(PRODUCT_1, 10), Times.Once);
}
```



Classicist vs Mockist?

Let's not go there but...

- Classicist
 - Will prefer to use the real objects when possible
 - `new Warehouse()`
- Mockist
 - Will prefer to mock all the dependencies out of the scope of the test
 - `new Mock<Warehouse>()`



Moving on

- Send an email after order is completed
 - How to test if it was called correctly when IMailSender doesn't hold state?

```
IMailSender
{
    Send(recipient);
}
```

```
2 references | 2/2 passing
public void Complete(Warehouse warehouse, IMailSender mailSender)
{
    if (warehouse.HasStock(Product, Quantity))
    {
        warehouse.Remove(Product, Quantity);
        mailSender.Send(Email);
    }
}
```



Stub it!

```
0 references
public class MailSenderStub : IMailSender
{
    private List<string> emailsSent = new List<string>();

    2 references
    public void Send(string recipient)
    {
        emailsSent.Add(recipient);
    }

    0 references
    public int CheckAmountSent(string recipient)
    {
        return emailsSent.Where(x => x == recipient).Count();
    }
}
```




Stub it!

```
[Fact]
✔ | 0 references
public void ShouldSendAnEmailWhenOrderCompleted_Stub()
{
    var mailerStub = new MailSenderStub();

    var order = new OrderWithEmail(PRODUCT_1, 10, "test@gmail.com");
    order.Complete(_warehouse, mailerStub);

    Assert.Equal(1, mailerStub.CheckAmountSent("test@gmail.com"));
}
```



Or mock it!

```
[Fact]
✓ | 0 references
public void ShouldSendAnEmailWhenOrderCompleted_Mock()
{
    var mailerMock = new Mock<IMailSender>();

    var order = new OrderWithEmail(PRODUCT_1, 10, "test@gmail.com");
    order.Complete(_warehouse, mailerMock.Object);

    mailerMock.Verify(x => x.Send("test@gmail.com"), Times.Once);
}
```



Conclusions

- Both will have advantages
- There is no right or wrong
- It depends on what is being tested
 - State
 - Behavior
- It depends also on your approach
 - Classicist
 - Mockist



Thank you

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