

Categories

- (I) **Input category** - Input categories can be preconditions or input variables.
- (O) **Output category** - Expected result data of the test case.
- (A) **Action category** - An action is a simple element of the test process.
- (F) **Feature call**

Choices

- (S) **Single** - Select the choice only once.
- (D) **Default** - Is the default value of the choices.

Example:

Category

paying method (O): card(D); on site; money transfer
price (O): 0; 100; 1000

Constraint

WHEN **THEN** price **IS** 100

The generated test will be:

... paying method=card, price=100

Constraints

Constraint name/test name each constraint may have a name, which is inherited to the generated test name

GIVEN describes preconditions, and can be omitted
In Multilayer structures the *outputs are suppressed*

WHEN contains the inputs and obligatory

THEN contains the output and obligatory

AND connects two **GIVEN/WHEN/THEN** expressions

IS/ARE connects a category and a choice of this category, such as MyCat **IS** MyChoice.

Note 1: The basic difference between **GIVEN** and **WHEN** is that if a **GIVEN** contains a existing test (see Multilayer structure syntax elements), then *outputs are suppressed*, only input will remain.

Note 2: The original Gherkin syntax requires the **GIVEN - WHEN - THEN** series.

However, state transition testing requires **WHEN - THEN - WHEN - THEN - WHEN - THEN** series as well. 4Test permits this syntax.

Table

Extraction

PRECONDITION - make models simpler. In lots of the cases when we would like to end-to-end test a feature, we have to reach the feature to be tested. This requires to set some preconditions, i.e. the necessary input values. It's not reasonable to include these preconditions to each constraint, and it's reasonable to separate the preconditions and the tests for the feature. **PRECONDITION** does this.

AC: Acceptance Criterion

SUB [AC-Name]: SUB-keyword defines an AC as SUB call.

[AC-Name]: Acceptance Criterion

Use Case Step Counter

@1 First order Step

@2

@1a Second order Step

@1b

@1

@1a

@1b

OKW

Input-Category

CN (I): CHOICE -> SetValue(CN, CHOICE)

Action-Category

button (A): CHOICE -> ClickOn(CHOICE)

Button (A): CHOICE -> ClickOn(CHOICE)

CN (A): **clicked** -> ClickOn(CN)

Output-Category

CN (O): CHOICE -> VerifyValue(CN, CHOICE)

CN (O): #caption CHOICE -> VerifyCaption(CN, CHOICE)

CN (O): #label CHOICE -> VerifyLabel(CN, CHOICE)

CN (O): #placeholder CHOICE -> VerifyPlaceholder(CN, CHOICE)

CN (O): #tooltip CHOICE -> VerifyTooltip(CN, CHOICE)

CN (O): #exist yes -> VerifyExists(CN, 'YES')

CN (O): @exist no -> VerifyExists(CN, 'NO')

CN (O): @exist yes -> VerifyIsActive(CN, 'YES')

CN (O): @exist no -> VerifyIsActive(CN, 'NO')

CN (O): @exist yes -> VerifyHasFocus(CN, 'YES')

CN (O): @exist no -> VerifyHasFocus(CN, 'NO')

Note:

CN: **Category Name**

WHEN original price **IS** 20 **AND** reduction is 10 **THEN** total price **IS** 19

WHEN original price **IS** 100 **AND** reduction is 12 **THEN** total price **IS** 88

The same in one constraint:

WHEN original price **IS** 20 | 100 **AND** reduction **IS** 10 | 12

THEN total price **IS** 19 | 88

Tables reducing the number of constraint if they differ in only the choices. If you are a test analyst, you will understand this constraint and your model will be shorter. On the other hand, the generated test cases will remain understandable for everybody.

```
Boolean VerifyExists();  
Boolean VerifyIsActive();  
Boolean VerifyHasFocus();
```



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