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# **External Media Tests Documentation**

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External Media Tests is a library built on top of [Firefox Puppeteer](#) and the [Marionette python client](#). It is designed to test playback of video elements embedded in web pages, independent of vendor. Using this library, you can write tests which play, pause, and stop videos, as well as inspect properties such as `currentTime()`.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Installation

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External Media Tests lives in [External Media Tests Source](#). Documentation for installation and usage lives on [External Media Tests](#); this documentation is API documentation for the various pieces of the test library.





### external\_media\_harness package

Test case classes for use in video tests

### external\_media\_harness.testcase module

**class** external\_media\_harness.testcase.**MediaTestCase** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

**Bases:** firefoxx\_puppeteer.mixins.PuppeteerMixin, marionette\_harness.marionette\_test.testcases.MarionetteTestCase

Necessary methods for MSE playback

**Parameters video\_urls** – Urls you are going to play as part of the tests.

**check\_playback\_starts** (video)

Check to see if a given video will start. Raises if the video does not start.

**Parameters video** – VideoPuppeteer instance to play.

**log\_video\_debug\_lines** (video)

Log the debugging information that Firefox provides for video elements.

**run\_playback** (video)

Play the video all of the way through, or for the requested duration, whichever comes first. Raises if the video stalls for too long.

**Parameters video** – VideoPuppeteer instance to play.

**save\_screenshot** ()

Make a screenshot of the window that is currently playing the video element.

**skipTest** (reason)

Skip this test.

Skip with `marionette.marionette_test import SkipTest` so that it gets recognized a skip in `marionette.marionette_test.CommonTestCase.run`

**class** `external_media_harness.testcase.NetworkBandwidthTestCase` (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `external_media_harness.testcase.MediaTestCase`

Test MSE playback while network bandwidth is limited. Uses `browsermobproxy` (<https://bmp.lightbody.net/>). Please see <https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Mozilla/QA/external-media-tests> for more information on setting up `browsermob_proxy`.

**run\_videos** (*timeout=60*)

Run each of the videos in the video list. Raises if something goes wrong in playback.

**class** `external_media_harness.testcase.VideoPlaybackTestsMixin`

Bases: `object`

Test MSE playback in HTML5 video element.

These tests should pass on any site where a single video element plays upon loading and is uninterrupted (by ads, for example).

This tests both starting videos and performing partial playback at one minute each, and is the test that should be run frequently in automation.

**test\_playback\_starts** ()

Test to make sure that playback of the video element starts for each video.

**test\_video\_playback\_partial** ()

Test to make sure that playback of 60 seconds works for each video.

## external\_media\_tests package

This document highlights the utility classes for tests. In general, the individual tests are not documented here.

### Test packages

#### VideoPuppeteer

##### `video_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer`

**class** `external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer` (*marionette, url, video\_selector='video', interval=1, set\_duration=0, stall\_wait\_time=0, timeout=60, autostart=True*)

Bases: `object`

Wrapper to control and introspect HTML5 video elements.

A note about properties like `current_time` and `duration`: These describe whatever stream is playing when the state is checked. It is possible that many different streams are dynamically spliced together, so the video stream that is currently playing might be the main video or it might be something else, like an ad, for example.

### Parameters

- **marionette** – The marionette instance this runs in.
- **url** – the URL of the page containing the video element.
- **video\_selector** – the selector of the element that we want to watch. This is set by default to `'video'`, which is what most sites use, but others should work.
- **interval** – The polling interval that is used to check progress.
- **set\_duration** – When set to `>0`, the polling and checking will stop at the number of seconds specified. Otherwise, this will stop at the end of the video.
- **stall\_wait\_time** – The amount of time to wait to see if a stall has cleared. If 0, do not check for stalls.
- **timeout** – The amount of time to wait until the video starts.

### `get_debug_lines()`

Get Firefox internal debugging for the video element.

**Returns** A text string that has Firefox-internal debugging information.

### `pause()`

Tell the video element to Pause.

### `play()`

Tell the video element to Play.

### `playback_done()`

If we are near the end and there is still a video element, then we are essentially done. If this happens to be last time we are polled before the video ends, we won't get another chance.

**Parameters** `self` – The VideoPuppeteer instance that we are interested in.

**Returns** True if we are close enough to the end of playback; False otherwise.

### `playback_started()`

Determine if video has started

**Parameters** `self` – The VideoPuppeteer instance that we are interested in.

**Returns** True if is playing; False otherwise

## `video_puppeteer.VideoException`

**exception** `external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.VideoException`

Exception class to use for video-specific error processing.

## `video_puppeteer.playback_started`

## `video_puppeteer.playback_done`

## YoutubePuppeteer

## youtube\_puppeteer.YouTubePuppeteer

**class** `external_media_tests.media_utils.youtube_puppeteer.YouTubePuppeteer` (*marionette, url, autostart=True, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer`

Wrapper around a YouTube .html5-video-player element.

Can be used with youtube videos or youtube videos at embedded URLs. E.g. both <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AbAACmIIQE0> and <https://www.youtube.com/embed/AbAACmIIQE0> should work.

Using an embedded video has the advantage of not auto-playing more videos while a test is running.

Compared to video puppeteer, this class has the benefit of accessing the youtube player object as well as the video element. The YT player will report information for the underlying video even if an ad is playing (as opposed to the video element behaviour, which will report on whatever is play at the time of query), and can also report if an ad is playing.

Partial reference: [https://developers.google.com/youtube/iframe\\_api\\_reference](https://developers.google.com/youtube/iframe_api_reference). This reference is useful for site-specific features such as interacting with ads, or accessing YouTube's debug data.

**mse\_enabled()**

Check if the video source indicates mse usage for current video. Refreshes state.

**Returns** True if MSE is being used, False if not.

**playback\_done()**

Check whether playback is done. Refreshes state.

**Returns** True if play back has ended, False if not.

**playback\_started()**

Check whether playback has started. Refreshes state.

**Returns** True if play back has started, False if not.

**player\_pause()**

Pause via YouTube API.

**player\_play()**

Play via YouTube API.

**process\_ad()**

Wait for this ad to finish. Refreshes state.

**wait\_for\_almost\_done** (*final\_piece=120*)

Allow the given video to play until only *final\_piece* seconds remain, skipping ads mid-way as much as possible. *final\_piece* should be short enough to not be interrupted by an ad.

Depending on the length of the video, check the ad status every 10-30 seconds, skip an active ad if possible.

This call refreshes state.

**Parameters** **final\_piece** – The length in seconds of the desired remaining time to wait until.

`youtube_puppeteer.playback_started`

`youtube_puppeteer.playback_done`

`youtube_puppeteer.wait_for_almost_done`

## `external_media_tests.utils.verbose_until`

`external_media_tests.utils.verbose_until` (*wait*, *target*, *condition*, *message*='')

Performs a `wait.until(condition)` and adds information about the state of *target* to any resulting `TimeoutException`.

### Parameters

- **wait** – a `marionette.Wait` instance
- **target** – the object you want verbose output about if a `TimeoutException` is raised This is usually the input value provided to the *condition* used by *wait*. Ideally, *target* should implement `__str__`
- **condition** – callable function used by `wait.until()`
- **message** – optional message to log when exception occurs

**Returns** the result of `wait.until(condition)`

## `external_media_tests.utils.save_memory_report`

`external_media_tests.utils.save_memory_report` (*marionette*)

Saves memory report (like `about:memory`) to current working directory.

**Parameters** *marionette* – Marionette instance to use for executing.



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