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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()`.



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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.





## 2.1 external\_media\_harness package

Test case classes for use in video tests

### 2.1.1 external\_media\_harness.testcase module

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

**Bases:** `firefox_puppeteer.testcases.base.BaseFirefoxTestCase`,  
`marionette.marionette_test.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** ()

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 ()**

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.

## 2.2 external\_media\_tests package

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

### 2.2.1 Test packages

#### VideoPuppeteer

**video\_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer**

```
class external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer (marionette,  
url,  
video_selector='video',  
inter-  
val=1,  
set_duration=0,  
stall_wait_time=0,  
time-  
out=60)
```

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 property is called. 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.

**corrupted\_frames**

**Returns** Number of video frames corrupted since the creation of this video element. A corrupted frame may be created or dropped.

**current\_time**

**Returns** Current time of whatever stream is playing right now.

**dropped\_frames**

**Returns** Number of video frames created and dropped since the creation of this video element.

**duration**

**Returns** Duration in seconds of whatever stream is playing right now.

**execute\_video\_script** (*script*)

Execute JS script in 'content' context with access to video element.

**Parameters** **script** – script to be executed

**Returns** value returned by script

**get\_debug\_lines** ()

Get Firefox internal debugging for the video element.

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

**lag**

**Returns** The difference in time between where the video is currently playing and where it should be playing given the time we started the video.

**pause** ()

Tell the video element to Pause.

**play** ()

Tell the video element to Play.

**remaining\_time**

**Returns** How much time is remaining given the duration of the video and the duration that has been set.

**total\_frames**

**Returns** Number of video frames created and dropped since the creation of this video element.

**update\_expected\_duration** ()

Update the duration of the target video at self.test\_url (in seconds).

expected\_duration represents the following: how long do we expect playback to last before we consider the video to be 'complete'? If we only want to play the first n seconds of the video, expected\_duration is set to n.

**video\_src**

**Returns** The url of the actual video file, as opposed to the url of the page with the video element.

`video_url`

**Returns** The URL of the video that this element is playing.

`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`

`external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.playback_started` (*video*)

Determine if video has started

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

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

`video_puppeteer.playback_done`

`external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.playback_done` (*video*)

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

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

## YoutubePuppeteer

`youtube_puppeteer.YouTubePuppeteer`

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

Bases: `external_media_tests.media_utils.video_puppeteer.VideoPuppeteer`

Wrapper around a YouTube #movie\_player element.

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

`ad_ended`

**Returns** True if the current ad has ended.

`ad_format`

When ad is not playing, `ad_format` is False.

**Returns** integer representing ad format, or False

`ad_inactive`

**Returns** True if the current ad is inactive.

`ad_playing`

**Returns** True if an ad is playing.

**ad\_skippable**

**Returns** True if the current ad is skippable.

**ad\_state**

Get state of current ad.

**Returns** Returns one of the constants listed in [https://developers.google.com/youtube/js\\_api\\_reference#Playback\\_status](https://developers.google.com/youtube/js_api_reference#Playback_status) for an ad.

**attempt\_ad\_skip ()**

Attempt to skip ad by clicking on skip-add button.

**Returns** True if clicking of ad-skip button occurred.

**breaks\_count**

**Returns** Number of upcoming ad breaks.

**deactivate\_autoplay ()**

Attempt to turn off autoplay.

**Returns** True if successful.

**execute\_yt\_script (script)**

Execute JS script in 'content' context with access to video element and YouTube #movie\_player element.

**Parameters** **script** – script to be executed.

**Returns** value returned by script

**movie\_id**

**Returns** The string that is the YouTube identifier.

**movie\_title**

**Returns** The title of the movie.

**playback\_quality**

Please see [https://developers.google.com/youtube/js\\_api\\_reference#Playback\\_quality](https://developers.google.com/youtube/js_api_reference#Playback_quality) for valid values.

**Returns** A string with a valid value returned via YouTube.

**player\_buffering**

**Returns** True if the video is currently buffering.

**player\_cued**

**Returns** True if the video is cued.

**player\_current\_time**

**Returns** Current time in seconds via YouTube API.

**player\_duration**

**Returns** Duration in seconds via YouTube API.

**player\_ended**

**Returns** True if the video playback has ended.

**player\_measure\_progress ()**

**Returns** Playback progress in seconds via YouTube API.

**player\_pause()**

Pause via YouTube API.

**player\_paused**

**Returns** True if the video is paused.

**player\_play()**

Play via YouTube API.

**player\_playing**

**Returns** True if the video is playing.

**player\_remaining\_time**

**Returns** Remaining time in seconds via YouTube API.

**player\_stalled**

**Returns** True if playback is not making progress for 4-9 seconds. This excludes ad breaks. Note that the player might just be busy with buffering due to a slow network.

**player\_state**

**Returns** The YouTube state of the video. See [https://developers.google.com/youtube/js\\_api\\_reference#getPlayerState](https://developers.google.com/youtube/js_api_reference#getPlayerState) for valid values.

**player\_unstarted**

This and the following properties are based on the `player.getPlayerState()` call ([https://developers.google.com/youtube/js\\_api\\_reference#Playback\\_status](https://developers.google.com/youtube/js_api_reference#Playback_status))

**Returns** True if the video has not yet started.

**player\_url**

**Returns** The YouTube URL for the currently playing video.

**process\_ad()**

Try to skip this ad. If not, wait for this ad to finish.

**search\_ad\_duration()**

**Returns** ad duration in seconds, if currently displayed in player

**youtube\_puppeteer.playback\_started**

`external_media_tests.media_utils.youtube_puppeteer.playback_started(yt)`

Check whether playback has started.

**Parameters** `yt` – YouTubePuppeteer

**youtube\_puppeteer.playback\_done**

`external_media_tests.media_utils.youtube_puppeteer.playback_done(yt)`

Check whether playback is done, skipping ads if possible.

**Parameters** `yt` – YouTubePuppeteer

## youtube\_puppeteer.wait\_for\_almost\_done

`external_media_tests.media_utils.youtube_puppeteer.wait_for_almost_done` (*yt*,  
*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.

**Parameters** *yt* – YouTubePuppeteer

### 2.2.2 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)`

### 2.2.3 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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