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# **pytest-splinter Documentation**

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## Splinter plugin for the pytest runner

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### 1.1 Install pytest-splinter

```
pip install pytest-splinter
```

### 1.2 Features

The plugin provides a set of fixtures to use `splinter` for browser testing with `pytest`

### 1.3 Fixtures

- **browser** Get the splinter's `Browser`. Fixture is underneath session scoped, so browser process is started once per test session, but the state of the browser will be clean (current page is `blank`, cookies clean).
- **session\_browser** The same as `browser` except the lifetime. This fixture is session-scoped so will only be finalized at the end of the whole test session. Useful if you want to speedup your test suite paying with reduced test isolation.
- **browser\_instance\_getter** Function to create an instance of the browser. This fixture is required only if you need to have multiple instances of the `Browser` in a single test at the same time. Example of usage:

```
@pytest.fixture
def admin_browser(request, browser_instance_getter):
    """Admin browser fixture."""
    # browser_instance_getter function receives parent fixture -- our admin_browser
    return browser_instance_getter(request, admin_browser)
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```
def test_2_browsers(browser, admin_browser):
    """Test using 2 browsers at the same time."""
    browser.visit('http://google.com')
    admin_browser.visit('http://admin.example.com')
```

- **splinter\_selenium\_implicit\_wait** Implicit wait timeout to be passed to Selenium webdriver. Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-implicit-wait` (see below)
- **splinter\_wait\_time** Explicit wait timeout (for waiting for explicit condition via `wait_for_condition`). Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-wait-time` (see below)
- **splinter\_selenium\_speed** Speed for Selenium, if not 0 then it will sleep between each selenium command. Useful for debugging/demonstration. Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-speed` (see below)
- **splinter\_selenium\_socket\_timeout** Socket timeout for communication between the webdriver and the browser. Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-socket-timeout` (see below)
- **splinter\_webdriver** Splinter's webdriver name to use. Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-webdriver` (see below). To make pytest-splinter always use certain webdriver, override a fixture in your `conftest.py` file:

```
import pytest

@pytest.fixture(scope='session')
def splinter_webdriver():
    """Override splinter webdriver name."""
    return 'chrome'
```

- **splinter\_remote\_url** Splinter's webdriver remote url to use (optional). Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-remote-url` (see below). Will be used only if selected webdriver name is 'remote'.
- **splinter\_session\_scoped\_browser** pytest-splinter should use single browser instance per test session. Fixture gets the value from the command-line option `splinter-session-scoped-browser` (see below)
- **splinter\_file\_download\_dir** Directory, to which browser will automatically download the files it will experience during browsing. For example when you click on some download link. By default it's a temporary directory. Automatic downloading of files is only supported for firefox driver at the moment.
- **splinter\_download\_file\_types** Comma-separated list of content types to automatically download. By default it's the all known system mime types (via `mimetypes` standard library).
- **splinter\_browser\_load\_condition** Browser load condition, python function which should return True. If function returns False, it will be run several times, until timeout below reached.
- **splinter\_browser\_load\_timeout** Browser load condition timeout in seconds, after this timeout the exception `WaitUntilTimeout` will be raised.
- **splinter\_wait\_time** Browser explicit wait timeout in seconds, after this timeout the exception `WaitUntilTimeout` will be raised.
- **splinter\_firefox\_profile\_preferences** Firefox profile preferences, a dictionary which is passed to selenium webdriver's `profile_preferences`
- **splinter\_firefox\_profile\_directory** Firefox profile directory to use as template for firefox profile created by selenium. By default, it's an empty directory inside `pytest_splinter/profiles/firefox`



- **splinter\_driver\_kwargs** Webdriver keyword arguments, a dictionary which is passed to selenium webdriver's constructor (after applying firefox preferences)
- **splinter\_window\_size** Size of the browser window on browser initialization. Tuple in form (<width>, <height>). Default is (1366, 768)
- **splinter\_screenshot\_dir** pytest-splinter browser screenshot directory. This fixture gets the value from the command-line option *splinter-screenshot-dir* (see below).
- **splinter\_make\_screenshot\_on\_failure** Should pytest-splinter take browser screenshots on test failure? This fixture gets the value from the command-line option *splinter-make-screenshot-on-failure* (see below).
- **splinter\_screenshot\_encoding** Encoding of the *html screenshot* on test failure. UTF-8 by default.
- **splinter\_screenshot\_getter\_html** Function to get browser html screenshot. By default, it saves *browser.html* with given path and *splinter\_screenshot\_encoding* encoding.
- **splinter\_screenshot\_getter\_png** Function to get browser image (png) screenshot. By default, it calls *browser.save\_screenshot* with given path.
- **splinter\_driver\_executable** Filesystem path of the webdriver executable. This fixture gets the value from the command-line option *splinter-webdriver-executable* (see below).
- **splinter\_browser\_class** Class to use for browser instance. Defaults to *pytest\_splinter.plugin.Browser*.
- **splinter\_clean\_cookies\_urls** List of additional urls to clean cookies on. By default, during the preparation of the browser for the test, pytest-splinter only cleans cookies for the last visited url from previous test, as it's not possible to clean all cookies from all domains at once via webdriver protocol, by design. This limitation can be worked around if you know the list of urls, the domains for which you need to clean cookies (for example <https://facebook.com>). If so, you can override this fixture and put those urls there, and pytest-splinter will visit each of them and will clean the cookies for each domain.
- **splinter\_headless** Run Chrome in headless mode. As the writing of this (2017-07), available only in unreleased Splinter master version. Defaults to false.

## 1.4 Command-line options

- ***-splinter-implicit-wait*** Selenium webdriver implicit wait. Seconds (default: 5).
- ***-splinter-speed*** selenium webdriver speed (from command to command). Seconds (default: 0).
- ***-splinter-socket-timeout*** Selenium webdriver socket timeout for for communication between the webdriver and the browser. Seconds (default: 120).
- ***-splinter-webdriver*** Webdriver name to use. (default: firefox). Options:
  - firefox
  - remote
  - chrome
 For more details refer to the documentation for splinter and selenium.
- ***-splinter-remote-url*** Webdriver remote url to use. (default: None). Will be used only if selected webdriver name is 'remote'.
 

For more details refer to the documentation for splinter and selenium.
- ***-splinter-session-scoped-browser*** pytest-splinter should use a single browser instance per test session. Choices are 'true' or 'false' (default: 'true').

- `--splinter-make-screenshot-on-failure` pytest-splinter should take browser screenshots on test failure. Choices are 'true' or 'false' (default: 'true').
- `--splinter-screenshot-dir` pytest-splinter browser screenshot directory. Defaults to the current directory.
- `--splinter-webdriver-executable` Filesystem path of the webdriver executable. Used by chrome driver. Defaults to the None in which case the shell PATH variable setting determines the location of the executable.

## 1.5 Browser fixture

As mentioned above, browser is a fixture made by creating splinter's Browser object, but with some overrides.

- **visit** Added possibility to wait for condition on each browser visit by having a fixture.
- **wait\_for\_condition** Method copying selenium's wait\_for\_condition, with difference that condition is in python, so there you can do whatever you want, and not only execute javascript via browser.evaluate\_script.

## 1.6 Several browsers for your test

You can have several browsers in one test.

```
import pytest

@pytest.fixture
def admin_browser(browser_instance_getter):
    return browser_instance_getter(admin_browser)

def test_with_several_browsers(browser, admin_browser):
    browser.visit('http://example.com')
    admin_browser.visit('about:blank')
    assert browser.url == 'http://example.com'
```

## 1.7 Automatic screenshots on test failure

When your functional test fails, it's important to know the reason. This becomes hard when tests are being run on the continuous integration server, where you cannot debug (using `-pdb`). To simplify things, a special behaviour of the browser fixture is available, which takes a screenshot on test failure and puts it in a folder with the a naming convention compatible to the [jenkins plugin](#). The html content of the browser page is also stored, this can be useful for debugging the html source.

Creating screenshots is fully compatible with [pytest-xdist plugin](#) and will transfer the screenshots from the slave nodes through the communication channel automatically.

If a test (using the browser fixture) fails, you should get a screenshot files in the following path:

```
<splinter-screenshot-dir>/my.dotted.name.test.package/test_name-browser.png
<splinter-screenshot-dir>/my.dotted.name.test.package/test_name-browser.html
```

The `splinter-screenshot-dir` for storing the screenshot is generated by a fixture and can be provided through a command line argument, as described above at the configuration options section.

Taking screenshots on test failure is enabled by default. It can be controlled through the `splinter-make-screenshot-on-failure` fixture, where return `False` skips it. You can also disable it via a command line argument:

```
pytest tests/functional --splinter-make-screenshot-on-failure=false
```

In case taking a screenshot fails, a pytest warning will be issued, which can be viewed using the `-rw` argument for `pytest`.

## 1.8 Python3 support

Python3 is supported, check if you have recent version of splinter as it was added recently.

## 1.9 Example

test\_your\_test.py:

```
def test_some_browser_stuff(browser):
    """Test using real browser."""
    url = "http://www.google.com"
    browser.visit(url)
    browser.fill('q', 'splinter - python acceptance testing for web applications')
    # Find and click the 'search' button
    button = browser.find_by_name('btnK')
    # Interact with elements
    button.click()
    assert browser.is_text_present('splinter.cobrateam.info'), 'splinter.cobrateam.
↪info wasn't found... We need to'
    'improve our SEO techniques'
```

## 1.10 Contact

If you have questions, bug reports, suggestions, etc. please create an issue on the [GitHub project page](#).

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### 3.1 2.0.0

- Bump minimum splinter version to 0.9.0 (jsfehler)
- Remove phantomjs support. (jsfehler)

### 3.2 1.9.1

- Fix utf-8 decode warnings when taking screenshots with pytest-xdist active #108 (jsfehler)

### 3.3 1.9.0

- Use getfixturevalue instead of getfuncargvalue #97 (pelme)
- Added Chrome headless support (miohtama)

### 3.4 1.8.6

- Fix screenshots not being taken when used with xdist (youtux)

### 3.5 1.8.5

- Fixed issue with xdist #94 (bubenkoff)

### 3.6 1.8.3

- Profile does not work with geckodriver+remote webdriver #90) (pelme)

### 3.7 1.8.2

- Fixed missing *switch\_to* method (some selenium *expected\_conditions* are broken without it, see #93)

### 3.8 1.8.1

- Ensure node's *splinter\_failure* always exists (bubenkoff, pelme)
- Correctly handle skipped tests (bubenkoff, sctibe)

### 3.9 1.8.0

- Limit retry behavior for *prepare\_browser* (bubenkoff)
- Workaround for cleaning cookies (Edge browser) (bubenkoff)

### 3.10 1.7.8

- Make it possible to override the default value for `--splinter-wait-time` (magnus-staberg)

### 3.11 1.7.7

- Make it possible to override the default `--splinter-webdriver` (pelme)
- Fix screenshots for function scoped fixtures (pelme)

### 3.12 1.7.6

- Support pytest 3 (bubenkoff)
- Less opinionated override of splinter's visit (bubenkoff)

### 3.13 1.7.5

- escape screenshot paths for path separators (bubenkoff)



### 3.14 1.7.4

- use `tmpdir_factory` to get session scoped `tmpdir` (RonnyPfannschmidt, bubenkoff)

### 3.15 1.7.3

- fixed Firefox freezing when opening a missing codec extension (olegpidsadnyi)

### 3.16 1.7.2

- fixed taking a screenshot with `pytest>=2.9.0` (olegpidsadnyi)

### 3.17 1.7.1

- pytest warnings fixed (firebirdberlin)
- remove firefox firstrun script (aaugustin, bubenkoff)

### 3.18 1.7.0

- add possibility to clean cookies on given domains during the browser cleanup, document cookies cleanup (bubenkoff)

### 3.19 1.6.6

- screenshot encoding made flexible (bubenkoff)

### 3.20 1.6.2

- pass timeout to restored connection (bubenkoff)

### 3.21 1.6.0

- added html screenshot (bubenkoff, blueyed)

### 3.22 1.5.3

- remote webdriver fixes (bubenkoff)

### 3.23 1.5.2

- respect `splinter_make_screenshot_on_failure` (bubenkoff)

### 3.24 1.5.1

- use native selenium socket timeout feature (pelme)

### 3.25 1.5.0

- `pytest tmpdir_factory` support (bubenkoff)
- depend on splinter 0.7.3, remove the previous `status_code` monkey patch (pelme)
- add option `-splinter-wait-time` to specify splinter explicit wait timeout (pelme)

### 3.26 1.4.6

- ensure base `tmpdir` exists (bubenkoff)

### 3.27 1.4.0

- introduce `splinter_browser_class` fixture (bubenkoff, ecesena)

### 3.28 1.3.8

- correctly handle `zope.testbrowser` splinter driver (bubenkoff)

### 3.29 1.3.7

- pass `splinter_selenium_implicit_wait` as `wait_time` to splinter Browser (Irowe)

### 3.30 1.3.6

- properly respect webdriver executable command line option (bubenkoff, bh)

### 3.31 1.3.5

- add option `-splinter-webdriver-executable` for phantomjs and chrome (sureshvv)

### 3.32 1.3.4

- make `browser_instance_getter` session scoped, add `session_browser` fixture (bubenkoff, sureshvv)

### 3.33 1.3.3

- make `mouse_over` comparable with more use-cases (bubenkoff)

### 3.34 1.3.1

- properly handle driver switch during the test run (bubenkoff)
- respect `splinter_session_scoped_browser` fixture (bubenkoff)

### 3.35 1.2.10

- handle exceptions during screenshot saving (blueyed, bubenkoff)
- documentation improvements (blueyed)

### 3.36 1.2.9

- `status_code` is back in a lazy way (bubenkoff)

### 3.37 1.2.7

- Fix automatic download of pdf content type (bubenkoff)

### 3.38 1.2.4

- fix failing the test run if `pytest-xdist` is not installed, as it's completely optional dependency (bubenkoff, slafs)

### 3.39 1.2.3

- improve exception handling when preparing the browser instance (bubenkoff)
- require `pytest` (bubenkoff)

### 3.40 1.2.0

- automatic screenshot capture on test failure (bubenkoff)
- improvements to the browser preparation procedure (bubenkoff)
- boolean config options made more clear (bubenkoff)

### 3.41 1.1.1

- restore browser parameters on each test run instead of once for browser start (bubenkoff)

### 3.42 1.1.0

- added possibility to have multiple browser instances for single test (amakhnach, bubenkoff)

### 3.43 1.0.4

- Fixed browser fixture to support `splinter_browser_load_condition` and `splinter_browser_load_timeout` by default. (markon)

### 3.44 1.0.3

- unicode fixes to `setup.py` (bubenkoff, valberg)

### 3.45 1.0.2

- `wait_for_condition` now receives `pytest_bdd.plugin.Browser` object, not selenium webdriver one (bubenkoff)

### 3.46 1.0.1

- Refactoring and cleanup (bubenkoff)

### 3.47 1.0.0

- Initial public release