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This is a testing tool for checking the output of Tools and Workflows described with the Common Workflow Language. Among other uses, it is used to run the CWL conformance tests.

This is written and tested for Python 3.8, 3.9, 3.10, 3.11, and 3.12.

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INSTALL

Installing the official package from PyPi

```
pip install cwltest
```

Or from bioconda

```
conda install -c bioconda cwltest
```

Or from source

```
git clone https://github.com/common-workflow-language/cwltest.git  
cd cwltest && pip install .
```


RUN ON THE COMMAND LINE

Simple command:

```
cwlttest --test test-descriptions.yml --tool cwl-runner
```


GENERATE CONFORMANCE BADGES USING CWLTEST

To make badges that show the results of the conformance test, you can generate JSON files for <https://badgen.net> by using `--badgedir` option

To generate JSON files:

```
cwltest --test test-descriptions.yml --tool cwl-runner --badgedir badges
...
$ cat badges/command_line_tool.json | jq .
{
  "subject": "command_line_tool",
  "status": "100%",
  "color": "green"
}
```

Once you upload JSON file to a server, you make a badge by using a link like <https://badgen.net/https/path/to/generated/json> or <https://flat.badgen.net/https/path/to/generated/json> (for flat badges).

Here is an example of markdown to add a badge:

```
![test result](https://flat.badgen.net/https/path/to/generated/json?icon=commonwl)
```


COMMAND LINE OPTIONS

4.1 cwltest

Common Workflow Language testing framework

```
usage: cwltest [-h] --test TEST [--basedir BASEDIR] [-l] [-n N] [-s S] [-N N]
               [-S S] [--tool TOOL] [--only-tools] [--tags TAGS]
               [--exclude-tags EXCLUDE_TAGS] [--show-tags]
               [--junit-xml JUNIT_XML] [--junit-verbose]
               [--test-arg cache==--cache-dir] [-j J] [--verbose]
               [--classname CLASSNAME] [--timeout TIMEOUT]
               [--badgedir BADGEDIR] [--version]
               ...
```

args

arguments to pass first to tool runner

-h, --help

show this help message and exit

--test <test>

YAML file describing test cases

--basedir <basedir>

Basedir to use for tests

-l

List tests then exit

-n <n>

Run specific tests, format is 1,3-6,9

-s <s>

Run specific tests using their short names separated by comma

-N <n>

Exclude specific tests by number, format is 1,3-6,9

-S <s>

Exclude specific tests by short names separated by comma

--tool <tool>

CWL runner executable to use (default 'cwl-runner')

--only-tools

Only test CommandLineTools

--tags <tags>

Tags to be tested

--exclude-tags <exclude_tags>

Tags not to be tested

--show-tags

Show all Tags.

--junit-xml <junit_xml>

Path to JUnit xml file

--junit-verbose

Store more verbose output to JUnit XML file by not passing ‘-quiet’ to the CWL runner.

--test-arg <cache===--cache-dir>

Additional argument given in test cases and required prefix for tool runner.

-j <j>

Specifies the number of tests to run simultaneously (defaults to one).

--verbose

More verbose output during test run.

--classname <classname>

Specify classname for the Test Suite.

--timeout <timeout>

Time of execution in seconds after which the test will be skipped. Defaults to 600 seconds (10.0 minutes).

--badgedir <badgedir>

Create JSON badges and store them in this directory.

--version

show program’s version number and exit

4.2 Pytest plugin

cwltest can also be used as a Pytest 7.x or 8.x plugin. The CWL test filename must end with `.cwltest.yml` or `.cwltest.yaml`.

In this case, the simple command:

```
cwltest --test conformance_xxx.cwltest.yml --tool cwl-runner
```

becomes:

```
pytest conformance_xxx.cwltest.yml --cwl-runner cwl-runner
```

4.2.1 Command Line Options

pytest

```
usage: pytest [--cwl-runner CWL_RUNNER] [--cwl-runner-verbose]
             [--cwl-badgedir CWL_BADGEDIR] [--cwl-include CWL_INCLUDE]
             [--cwl-exclude CWL_EXCLUDE] [--cwl-tags CWL_TAGS]
             [--cwl-exclude-tags CWL_EXCLUDE_TAGS] [--cwl-args CWL_ARGS]
             [--cwl-test-arg CWL_TEST_ARG] [--cwl-basedir CWL_BASEDIR]
```

--cwl-runner <cwl_runner>

Name of the CWL runner to use.

--cwl-runner-verbose

If set, don't pass `--quiet` to the CWL runner.

--cwl-badgedir <cwl_badgedir>

Create badge JSON files and store them in this directory.

--cwl-include <cwl_include>

Run specific CWL tests using their short names separated by comma

--cwl-exclude <cwl_exclude>

Exclude specific CWL tests using their short names separated by comma

--cwl-tags <cwl_tags>

Tags to be tested.

--cwl-exclude-tags <cwl_exclude_tags>

Tags not to be tested.

--cwl-args <cwl_args>

one or more arguments to pass first to tool runner (separated by spaces)

--cwl-test-arg <cwl_test_arg>

Additional argument given in test cases and required prefix for tool runner.

--cwl-basedir <cwl_basedir>

Basedir to use for tests

4.2.2 Converting cwltest options to pytest options

The table below details all the available command conversions between the two formats.

Feature	cwlttest	pytest
YAML file describing test cases	<code>--test conformance_xxx.cwlttest.yml</code>	<code>conformance_xxx.cwlttest.yml</code>
CWL runner executable to use	<code>--tool CWL_RUNNER</code>	<code>--cwl-runner CWL_RUNNER</code>
Specifies the number of tests to run simultaneously	<code>-j CORES</code>	<code>-n CORES¹</code>
Automatically scale the number of tests to run simultaneously	UNSUPPORTED	<code>-n auto</code> ^{Page 12, 1}
Only run one test at a time (good for debugging cwlttest itself)	<code>-j 1</code> (or leave out <code>-j</code>)	<code>-n 0 -s¹</code>
Time of execution in seconds after which the test will be skipped	<code>--timeout TIMEOUT</code>	<code>--timeout TIMEOUT³</code>
List tests then exit	<code>-l</code>	<code>--collect-only</code>
Run specific tests using their short names	<code>-s TEST_NAME[, TEST_NAME...]</code>	<code>--cwl-include TEST_NAME[, TEST_NAME...]</code>
Exclude specific tests by short names	<code>-S TEST_NAME[, TEST_NAME...]</code>	<code>--cwl-exclude TEST_NAME[, TEST_NAME...]</code>
Tags to be tested	<code>--tags TAG[, TAG...]</code>	<code>--cwl-tags TAG[, TAG...]</code>
Tags not to be tested	<code>--exclude-tags TAG[, TAG...]</code>	<code>--cwl-exclude-tags TAG[, TAG...]</code>
Path to JUnit xml file	<code>--junit-xml PATH</code>	<code>--junit-xml=PATH⁴</code>
More verbose output during test run	<code>--verbose</code>	<code>-v[vv]</code>
Additional argument given in test cases and required prefix for tool runner	<code>--test-arg ARG_NAME==ARG_PREFIX</code>	<code>--cwl-test-arg ARG_NAME==ARG_PREFIX</code>
Arguments to pass first to tool runner	<code>cwlttest -- ARG [ARG ...]</code>	<code>--cwl-args "ARG [ARG ...]"</code>
Only test CommandLineTools	<code>--only-tools</code>	UNSUPPORTED
Show all tags	<code>--show-tags</code>	UNSUPPORTED
Store more verbose output to JUnit xml file	<code>--junit-verbose</code>	<code>--cwl-runner-verbose⁴</code>
Specify classname for the Test Suite	<code>--classname CLASS_NAME</code>	UNSUPPORTED

4.2.3 Differences in the XML output

`cwlttest --junit-xml` output

- top-level `<testsuites>` element has the elapsed time, and counts (errors, failures, skipped, and total)
- singular `<testsuite>` sub-element the same attributes as the top-level `<testsuites>` plus name which is the basename of the YAML test file
- each `<testcase>` element has the follow attributes
 - `name`: the doc string
 - `class`: the tags
 - `file`: the test ID
 - `url`: like “`cwlttest:conformance_tests#1`” (contains the basename of the YAML test file)

¹ Requires `pytest-xdist`. See [Running tests across multiple CPUs](#).

³ Requires `pytest-timeout`. Note: even if `pytest-timeout` is installed, there is no default timeout. This is different than `cwlttest`’s default timeout of 10 minutes.

⁴ Depending on the value of the `pytest` INI option `junit_logging`, then `<system-out>` and `<system-err>` sub-elements will be generated. However the default value for `junit_logging` is `no`, so to get either of these pick one from the [full list](#). You can set `junit_logging` in a [configuration file](#) or on the command line: `pytest -o junit_logging=out-err`.

- time: the elapsed time
- `<testcase>` elements always contain the following sub-elements, regardless of outcome
 - `<system-out>`: the output object
 - `<system-err>`: stderr (docker pull, other warnings, and errors)
- `<testcase>` elements for failed test cases do not have a `<failure>` sub-element

pytest with cwltest plugin XML output

- top-level `<testsuites>` element has no attributes
- singular `<testsuite>` sub-element has the same attributes as the cwltest XML version along with these additional attributes
 - name: default is `pytest` (can be customized with the pytest INI option `junit_suite_name`)
 - timestamp: `"2023-01-08T11:39:07.425159"`
 - hostname: the hostname of the machine where the tests ran
- inside the `<testsuite>` is a `<properties>...</properties>` element with two `<property name="..." value="..." />` elements. But this [does not work with pytest-xdist](#).
 - runner: the name of the CWL runner
 - runner_extra_args: the value of `-cwl-args``
- each `<testcase>` element has the following attributes
 - classname: always the name of the YAML file (`conformance_test_v1.2.cwltest.yaml`)
 - name: the test ID
 - time: the elapsed time
- `<testcase>` elements for failed test cases **do** have a `<failure>` sub-element with a `message` attribute containing the `cwltest.plugin.CWLItem.repr_failure()` output. This text is repeated as the content of the `<failure>` element. The presence of `<system-out>` and `<system-err>` sub-elements varies.⁴

4.3 API Reference

This page contains auto-generated API reference documentation¹.

4.3.1 cwltest

Run CWL descriptions with a cwl-runner, and look for expected output.

¹ Created with sphinx-autoapi

Submodules

`cwltest.__main__`

Default entrypoin**t** for the cwltest module.

`cwltest.argparser`

Command line argument parsing for cwltest.

Module Contents

Functions

<code>arg_parser()</code>	Generate a command Line argument parser for cwltest.
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`cwltest.argparser.arg_parser()`
Generate a command Line argument parser for cwltest.

Return type
`argparse.ArgumentParser`

`cwltest.compare`

Compare utilities for CWL objects.

Module Contents

Functions

<code>compare(expected, actual[, skip_details])</code>	Compare two CWL objects.
--	--------------------------

exception `cwltest.compare.CompareFail`
Bases: `Exception`

CompareFail

Compared CWL objects are not equal.

classmethod `format(expected, actual, cause=None)`

Load the difference details into the error message.

Parameters

- **expected** (*Any*)
- **actual** (*Any*)
- **cause** (*Optional[Any]*)

Return type

CompareFail

`cwltest.compare.compare(expected, actual, skip_details=False)`

Compare two CWL objects.

Parameters

- **expected** (*Any*)
- **actual** (*Any*)
- **skip_details** (*bool*)

Return type

None

`cwltest.hooks`

Hooks for pytest-cwl users.

Module Contents

Functions

<code>pytest_cwl_execute_test</code> (<i>config</i> , <i>processfile</i> , <i>jobfile</i>)	Execute CWL test using a Python function instead of a command line runner.
--	--

`cwltest.hooks.pytest_cwl_execute_test(config, processfile, jobfile)`

Execute CWL test using a Python function instead of a command line runner.

The return value is a tuple.

- **status code**
 - 0 = success
 - `cwltest.UNSUPPORTED_FEATURE` for an unsupported feature
 - and any other number for failure
- CWL output object using plain Python objects.

Parameters

- **processfile** (*str*) – a path to a CWL document
- **jobfile** (*Optional[str]*) – an optional path to JSON/YAML input object

- `config(cwltest.utils.CWLTestConfig)`

Return type
Tuple[int, Optional[Dict[str, Any]]]

cwltest.main

Entry point for cwltest.

Module Contents

Functions

<i>main()</i>	Run the main logic loop.
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Attributes

<i>PREFIX</i>

`cwltest.main.PREFIX = '\r'`

`cwltest.main.main()`
Run the main logic loop.

Return type
int

cwltest.plugin

Discovers CWL test files and converts them to `pytest.Items`.

Module Contents

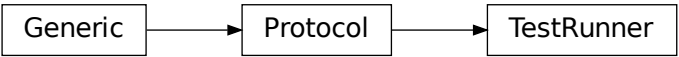
Classes

<i>TestRunner</i>	Protocol to type-check test runner functions via the pluggy hook.
<i>CWLItem</i>	A CWL test Item.
<i>CWLYamlFile</i>	A CWL test file.

Functions

<code>pytest_addoption(parser)</code>	Add our options to the pytest command line.
<code>pytest_collect_file(file_path, parent)</code>	Is this file for us.
<code>pytest_configure(config)</code>	Store the raw tests and the test results.
<code>pytest_sessionfinish(session, exitstatus)</code>	Generate badges.
<code>pytest_addhooks(pluginmanager)</code>	Register our cwl hooks.

class `cwltest.plugin.TestRunner`
Bases: `Protocol`



Protocol to type-check test runner functions via the pluggy hook.

`__call__` (*config*, *processfile*, *jobfile*)
Type signature for `pytest_cwl_execute_test` hook results.

- Parameters
- **config** (`cwltest.utils.CWLTestConfig`)
 - **processfile** (*str*)
 - **jobfile** (*Optional[str]*)

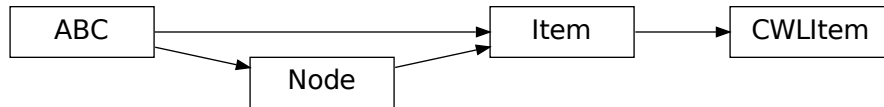
Return type
`List[Optional[Dict[str, Any]]]`

exception `cwltest.plugin.CWLTestException`
Bases: `Exception`



custom exception for error reporting.

class `cwltest.plugin.CWLItem`(*name*, *parent*, *spec*)
Bases: `pytest.Item`



A CWL test Item.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*)
- **parent** (*Optional[_pytest.nodes.Node]*)
- **spec** (*Dict[str, Any]*)

runtest()

Execute using cwltest.

Return type

None

repr_failure(excinfo, style=None)

Document failure reason.

Called when self.runtest() raises an exception.

Parameters

- **excinfo** (*ExceptionInfo[BaseException]*)
- **style** (*Optional[_pytest._code.code._TracebackStyle]*)

Return type

str

reportinfo()

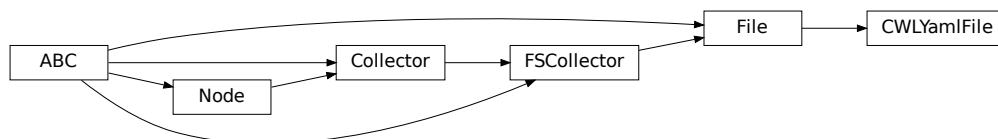
Status report.

Return type

Tuple[Union[os.PathLike[str], str], Optional[int], str]

class cwltest.plugin.CWLYamlFile(*fspath=None, path_or_parent=None, path=None, name=None, parent=None, config=None, session=None, nodeid=None*)

Bases: *pytest.File*



A CWL test file.

Parameters

- **fspath** (*Optional*[*_pytest.compat.LEGACY_PATH*])
- **path_or_parent** (*Optional*[*Union*[*pathlib.Path*, *Node*]])
- **path** (*Optional*[*pathlib.Path*])
- **name** (*Optional*[*str*])
- **parent** (*Optional*[*Node*])
- **config** (*Optional*[*_pytest.config.Config*])
- **session** (*Optional*[*_pytest.main.Session*])
- **nodeid** (*Optional*[*str*])

collect()

Load the cwltest file and yield parsed entries.

Return type

Iterator[*CWLItem*]

`cwltest.plugin.pytest_addoption(parser)`

Add our options to the pytest command line.

Parameters

parser (*_pytest.config.argparsing.Parser*)

Return type

None

`cwltest.plugin.pytest_collect_file(file_path, parent)`

Is this file for us.

Parameters

- **file_path** (*pathlib.Path*)
- **parent** (*pytest.Collector*)

Return type

Optional[*pytest.Collector*]

`cwltest.plugin.pytest_configure(config)`

Store the raw tests and the test results.

Parameters

config (*_pytest.config.Config*)

Return type

None

`cwltest.plugin.pytest_sessionfinish(session, exitstatus)`

Generate badges.

Parameters

- **session** (*pytest.Session*)
- **exitstatus** (*int*)

Return type

None

`cwltest.plugin.pytest_addhooks(pluginmanager)`

Register our cwl hooks.

Parameters

pluginmanager (`_pytest.config.PytestPluginManager`)

Return type

None

`cwltest.utils`

Package Contents

`cwltest.UNSUPPORTED_FEATURE = 33`

`cwltest.DEFAULT_TIMEOUT = 600`

`cwltest.REQUIRED = 'required'`

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