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# **satellite-populate Documentation**

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## Satellite-Populate

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Populate and Validate the System using YAML

- Free software: GNU General Public License v3
- Documentation: <https://satellite-populate.readthedocs.io>.

### 1.1 Installation

To install latest released version:

```
pip install satellite-populate
```

To install from github master branch:

```
pip install https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/tarball/master
```

For development:

```
# fork https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/ to YOUR_GITHUB
# clone your repo locally
git clone git@github.com:YOUR_GITHUB/satellite-populate.git
cd satellite-populate

# add upstream remote
git remote add upstream git@github.com:SatelliteQE/satellite-populate.git

# create a virtualenv
mkvirtualenv satellite-populate
workon satellite-populate

# install for development (editable)
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Testing if installation is good:

```
$ satellite-populate --test
satellite_populate.base - INFO - ECHO: Hello, if you can see this it means that I am working!!!
```

## 1.2 Features

### 1.2.1 YAML based actions

Data population definition goes to YAML file e.g `office.yaml` in the following example we are going to create 2 organizations and 2 admin users using lists:

```
vars:

  org_names:
    - Dunder Mifflin
    - Wernham Hogg

  user_list:
    - firstname: Michael
      lastname: Scott

    - firstname: David
      lastname: Brent

actions:

- model: Organization
  with_items: org_names
  register: default_orgs
  data:
    name: "{{ item }}"
    label: org{{ item.replace(' ', '') }}
    description: This is a satellite organization named {{ item }}

- model: User
  with_items: user_list
  data:
    admin: true
    firstname: "{{ item.firstname }}"
    lastname: "{{ item.lastname }}"
    login: "{{ '{0}{1}'.format(item.firstname[0], item.lastname) | lower }}"
    password:
      from_factory: alpha
    organization:
      from_registry: default_orgs
    default_organization:
      from_registry: default_orgs[loop_index]
```

On the populate file you can define CRUD actions such as **create**, **delete**, **update** if `action:` is not defined, the default will be `create`.

And also there is **special actions** and **custom actions** explained later.

### 1.2.2 Populate Satellite With Entities

Considering `office.yaml` file above you can populate satellite system with the command line:

```
$ satellite-populate office.yaml -h yourserver.com --output=office.yaml -v
```

In the above command line `-h` stands for `--hostname`, `--output` is the output file which will be written to be used to validate the system, and `-v` is the verbose level.

To see the list of available arguments please run:

```
# satellite-populate --help
```

### 1.2.3 Validate if system have entities

Once you run `satellite-populate` you can use the outputted file to validate the system. as all the output files are named as `validation_<name>.yaml` in office example you can run:

```
$ satellite-populate validation_office.yaml -v
```

Using that validation file the system will be checked for entities existence, read-only. The Validation file exists because during the population dynamic data is generated such as passwords and strings `from_factory` and also some entities can be deleted or updated so validation file takes care of it.

### 1.2.4 Special actions

Some builtin special actions are:

- assertion
- echo
- register
- unregister

In the following example we are going to run a complete test case using actions defined in YAML file, if validation fails system returns status 0 which can be used to automate tests:

```
# A TEST CASE USING SPECIAL ACTIONS
# Create a plain vanilla activation key
# Check that activation key is created and its "unlimited_hosts"
# attribute defaults to true

- action: create
  log: Create a plain vanilla activation key
  model: ActivationKey
  register: vanilla_key
  data:
    name: vanilla
    organization:
      from_registry: default_orgs[0]

- action: assertion
  log: >
    Check that activation key is created and its "unlimited_hosts"
    attribute defaults to true
  operation: eq
  register: vanilla_key_unlimited_hosts
  data:
    - from_registry: vanilla_key.unlimited_hosts
    - true

- action: echo
  log: Vanilla Key Unlimited Host is False!!!!
  level: error
  print: true
```

```
when: vanilla_key_unlimited_hosts == False

- action: echo
  log: Vanilla Key Unlimited Host is True!!!!
  level: info
  print: true
  when: vanilla_key_unlimited_hosts

- action: register
  data:
    you_must_update_vanilla_key: true
  when: vanilla_key_unlimited_hosts == False
```

## 1.2.5 Custom actions

And you can also have special actions defined in a custom populator.

Lets say you have this python module in your project, properly available on PYTHONPATH:

```
from satellite_populate.api import APIPopulator

class MyPopulator (APIPopulator):
    def action_writeinfile(self, rendered_data, action_data):
        with open(rendered_data['path'], 'w') as output:
            output.write(rendered_data['content'])
```

Now go to your test .yaml and write:

```
config:
  populator: mine
  populators:
    mine:
      module: mypath.mymodule.MyPopulator

actions:

- action: writeinfile
  path: /tmp/test.txt
  text: Hello World!!!
```

and run:

```
$ satellite-populate test.yaml -v
```

## 1.2.6 Decorator for test cases

Having a data\_file like:

```
actions:
- model: Organization
  register: organization_1
  data:
    name: My Org
```

Then you can use in decorators:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml')
def test_case_(self):
    'My Org exists in system test anything here'
```

And getting the populated entities inside the test\_case:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context')
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    assert my_context.organization_1.name == 'My Org'
```

You can also set a customized context wrapper to the context\_wrapper argument::

```
def my_custom_context_wrapper(result):
    # create an object using result
    my_context = MyResultContext(result)
    return my_context

@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context',
               content_wrapper=my_custom_context_wrapper)
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    # assert with some expression using my_context object returned
    # my_custom_context_wrapper
    assert some_expression
```

NOTE:

That is important that ``context`` argument always be declared using either a default value ``my\_context=None`` or handle in ``\*\*kwargs``. Otherwise ``py.test`` may try to use this as a fixture placeholder.

if context\_wrapper is set to None, my\_context will be the pure unmodified result of populate function.

## 1.3 Satellite versions

This code is by default prepared to run against Satellite **latest** version which means the use of the **latest** master from **nailgun** repository.

If you need to run this tool in older versions e.g: to tun upgrade tests, you have to setup **nailgun** version.

You have 2 options:

### 1.3.1 Manually

before installing satellite-populate install specific nailgun version as the following list.

- Satellite 6.1.x:

```
pip install -e git+https://github.com/SatelliteQE/nailgun.git@0.28.0#egg=nailgun
pip install satellite-populate
```

- Satellite 6.2.x:

```
pip install -e git+https://github.com/SatelliteQE/nailgun.git@6.2.z#egg=nailgun
pip install satellite-populate
```

- Satellite 6.3.x (latest):

```
pip install -e git+https://github.com/SatelliteQE/nailgun.git#egg=nailgun
pip install satellite-populate
```

### 1.3.2 Docker

If you need to run `satellite-populate` in older Satellite versions you can use the `docker` images so it will manage the correct nailgun version to be used with that specific system version.

<https://hub.docker.com/r/satelliteqe/satellite-populate/>

First pull image from Docker Hub:

```
docker pull satelliteqe/satellite-populate:latest
```

Change `:latest` to specific tag. e.g: `:6.1` or `:6.2`

Test it:

```
docker run satelliteqe/satellite-populate --test
```

Then run:

```
docker run -v $PWD:/datafiles satelliteqe/satellite-populate /datafiles/theoffice.yaml -v -h server.
```

You must map your local folder containing datafiles

## 1.4 Credits

This package was created with [Cookiecutter](#) and the [audreyr/cookiecutter-pypackage](#) project template.

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## Installation

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### 2.1 Stable release

To install `satellite-populate`, run this command in your terminal:

```
$ pip install satellite-populate
```

This is the preferred method to install `satellite-populate`, as it will always install the most recent stable release.

If you don't have `pip` installed, this [Python installation guide](#) can guide you through the process.

### 2.2 From sources

To install from github master branch tarball:

```
pip install https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/tarball/master
```

For development from the [Github repo](#):

```
# fork https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/ to YOUR_GITHUB
# clone your repo locally
git clone git@github.com:YOUR_GITHUB/satellite-populate.git
cd satellite-populate

# add upstream remote
git remote add upstream git@github.com:SatelliteQE/satellite-populate.git

# create a virtualenv
mkvirtualenv satellite-populate
workon satellite-populate

# install for development (editable)
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Testing if installation is good:

```
$ satellite-populate --test
satellite_populate.base - INFO - ECHO: Hello, if you can see this it means that I am working!!!
```



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## Usage

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This section explains Satellite Populate data populate.

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## 3.1 Commands

Using `$ satellite-populate` you can run the `populate` and `validate` commands. That commands are used to read data description from YAML file and populate the system or validate populated entities.

Having `test_data.yaml` with the following content.

```
vars:
  org_label_suffix = inc
actions:
- model: Organization
  log: The first organization...
  register: org_1
  data:
    name: MyOrg
    label: MyOrg{{org_label_suffix}}
```

To populate the system

```
(satellite_env)[you@host]$ satellite-populate test_data.yaml -v -o validation_data.yaml
2017-01-04 04:31:17 - satellite_populate.base - INFO - CREATE: The first organization...
2017-01-04 04:31:19 - satellite_populate.base - INFO - search: Organization {'query': {'search': 'na
2017-01-04 04:31:19 - satellite_populate.base - INFO - create: Entity already exists: Organization 3
2017-01-04 04:31:19 - satellite_populate.base - INFO - registry: org_1 registered
```

To validate the system use the file generated by population `validation_data.yaml`

```
(satellite_env) [you@host]$ satellite-populate validation_data.yaml
(satellite_env) [you@host]$ echo $?
0 # system validated else 1
```

Use `$ satellite-populate --help` for more info

## 3.2 Hostname and Credentials

Pass `-h --hostname`, `-p --password`, `-u --username` to the command, or this arguments to decorator:

```
@populate_with(data, username='x', password='y', hostname='server.com')
```

## 3.3 Decorator

Other way to use populate is via decorator, it is useful to decorate a `test_case` forcing a populate or validate operation to be performed.

Having a `data_file` like:

```
actions:
  - model: Organization
    register: organization_1
  data:
    name: My Org
```

Then you can use in decorators:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml')
def test_case_(self):
    'My Org exists in system test anything here'
```

And getting the populated entities inside the `test_case`:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context')
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    assert my_context.organization_1.name == 'My Org'
```

You can also set a customized context wrapper to the `context_wrapper` argument::

```
def my_custom_context_wrapper(result):
    # create an object using result
    my_context = MyResultContext(result)
    return my_context

@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context',
               content_wrapper=my_custom_context_wrapper)
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    # assert with some expression using my_context object returned
    # my_custom_context_wrapper
    assert some_expression
```

And if you don't want to have YAML file you can provide a dict:

```

data_in_dict = {
    'actions': [
        {
            'model': 'Organization',
            'register': 'organization_1',
            'data': {
                'name': 'My Organization 1',
                'label': 'my_organization_1'
            }
        },
    ]
}

@populate_with(data_in_dict, context_name='my_context', verbose=1)
def test_org_1(my_context=None):
    """a test with populated data"""
    assert my_context.organization_1.name == "MyOrganization1"

```

And finally it also accepts bare YAML string for testing purposes:

```

data_in_string = """
actions:
- model: Organization
  registry: organization_3
  data:
    name: My Organization 3
    label: my_organization_3
"""

@populate_with(data_in_string, context_name='context', verbose=1)
def test_org_3(context=None):
    """a test with populated data"""
    assert context.organization_3.name == "My Organization 3"
    assert context.organization_3.label == "my_organization_3"

```

#### NOTE:

That is important that ``context\_name`` argument always be declared using either a default value ``my\_context=None`` or handle in ``\*\*kwargs``. Otherwise ``py.test`` may try to use this as a fixture placeholder.

if context\_wrapper is set to None, my\_context will be the pure unmodified result of populate function.

Decorating UnitTest setUp and test\_cases:

```

class MyTestCase(TestCase):
    """
    This test populates data in setUp and also in individual tests
    """
    @populate_with(data_in_string, context_name='context')
    def setUp(self, context=None):
        self.context = context

    def test_with_setup_data(self):
        self.assertEqual(
            self.context.organization_3.name, "My Organization 3"

```

```
)

@populate_with(data_in_dict, context_name='test_context')
def test_with_isolated_data(self, test_context=None):
    self.assertEqual(
        test_context.organization_1.name, "My Organization 1"
    )
```

## 3.4 The YAML data file

In the YAML data file it is possible to specify 3 sections, config, vars and actions.

### 3.4.1 config

The config may be used to define special behavior of populator and its keys are:

- populator  
The name of the populator defined in populators
- populators  
The specification of populator modules to be loaded
- verbose  
The verbosity of logging 0, 1 or 2, it can be overwritten with -vvv in commands.

example:

```
config:
  verbose: 3
  populator: api
  populators:
    api:
      module: satellite_populate.api.APIPopulator
    cli:
      module: satellite_populate.cli.CLIPopulator
```

### 3.4.2 vars

Variables to be available in the rendering context of the YAML data every var defined here is available to be referenced using Jinja syntax in any action.

```
vars:
  admin_username: admin
  admin_password: changeme
  org_name_list:
    - company7
    - company8
  prefix: aaaa
  suffix: bbbb
  my_name: me
```

### 3.4.3 actions

The actions is the most important section of the YAML, it is a list of actions being each action a dictionary containing special keys depending on the action type.

The action type is defined in `action` key and available actions are:

Actions are executed in the defined order and order is very important because each action can `register` its result to the internal registry to be referenced later in any other action.

#### CRUD ACTIONS

Crud actions takes a `model` argument, any from `nailgun.entities` is valid.

- `create` (the default)  
Creates a new entity if not exists, else gets existing.
- `update`  
Updates entity with provided `data` by `id` or unique search
- `delete`  
deleted entity with `id` or unique search

#### SPECIAL ACTIONS

- `echo`  
Logs and print output to the console
- `register`  
Register a variable in the internal registry
- `unregister`  
removes a variable from register
- `assertion`  
perform assertion operations, if any fails returns exit code 1

### 3.4.4 Dynamic Data

There are some ways to fetch dynamic data in action definitions, it depends on the action type.

For any key you can use `Jinja` to provide a dynamic value as in:

```
value: "{{ get_something }}"
value: "{{ fauxfactory.gen_string('alpha') }}"
value: user_{{ item }}
```

For some actions you can provide a `data` key, that data is used to create new entities and also to perform searches or build the action function.

Every `data` key accepts 4 special reference directives in its sub-keys.

- `from_registry`  
Gets anything from registry:

```
data:
  organization:
    from_registry: default_org
  name:
    from_registry: my_name
```

- `from_object`

Gets any Python object available in the environment:

```
data:
  url:
    from_object:
      name: robottelo.constants.FAKE_0_YUM_REPO
```

- `from_search`

Perform a search and return its result:

```
data:
  organization:
    from_search:
      model: Organization
      data:
        name: Default Organization
```

- `from_read`

Perform a read operation, which is useful when we have unique data or id:

```
data:
  organization:
    from_read:
      model: Organization
      data:
        id: 1
```

### 3.4.5 The internal registry

Every action which returns a result can write its result to the registry, so it is available to be accessed by other actions.

Provide a `register` unique name in action definition.

The actions that support `register` are:

- `create`
- `update`
- `register`
- `assertion`

All dynamic directives `from_*` supports the use of `register`

Example:

```
- action: create
  model: Organization
  register: my_org
  data:
    name: my_org
```

```
- model: User
  log: Creating user under {{ register.my_org.name }}
  data:
    organization:
      from_registry: my_org
```



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## Contributing

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Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given.

You can contribute in many ways:

### 4.1 Types of Contributions

#### 4.1.1 Report Bugs

Report bugs at <https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/issues>.

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

#### 4.1.2 Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 4.1.3 Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “enhancement” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### 4.1.4 Write Documentation

satellite-populate could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official satellite-populate docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

## 4.1.5 Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at <https://github.com/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/issues>.

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## 4.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *satellite\_populate* for local development.

1. Fork the *satellite-populate* repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/satellite-populate.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have virtualenvwrapper installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv satellite-populate
$ cd satellite-populate/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 satellite-populate tests
$ python setup.py test or py.test
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## 4.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.

2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 2.6, 2.7, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5, and for PyPy. Check [https://travis-ci.org/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/pull\\_requests](https://travis-ci.org/SatelliteQE/satellite-populate/pull_requests) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## 4.4 Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ py.test tests.test_satellite_populate
```



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## History

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### 5.1 0.1.3 (2017-01-13)

- Docker support

### 5.2 0.1.2 (2017-01-12)

- Fix decorators.

### 5.3 0.1.0 (2017-01-10)

- First release on PyPI.



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## satellite\_populate

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### 6.1 satellite\_populate package

#### 6.1.1 Submodules

#### 6.1.2 satellite\_populate.api module

Implements API populator using Nailgun

**class** `satellite_populate.api.APIPopulator` (*data*, *verbose=None*, *mode=None*, *config=None*)  
 Bases: `satellite_populate.base.BasePopulator`

Populates system using API/Nailgun

**action\_create** (*rendered\_action\_data*, *action\_data*, *search*, *model*, *silent\_errors*)  
 Creates new entity if does not exists or get existing entity and return Entity object

**action\_delete** (*rendered\_action\_data*, *action\_data*, *search*, *model*, *silent\_errors*)  
 Deletes an existing entity

**action\_update** (*rendered\_action\_data*, *action\_data*, *search*, *model*, *silent\_errors*)  
 Updates an existing entity

**add\_and\_log\_error** (*action\_data*, *rendered\_action\_data*, *search*, *e=None*)  
 Add to validation errors and outputs error

**populate** (*rendered\_action\_data*, *action\_data*, *search*, *action*)  
 Populates the System using Nailgun based on value provided in *action* argument gets the proper CRUD method to execute dynamically

**validate** (*rendered\_action\_data*, *action\_data*, *search*, *action*)  
 Based on action fields or using `action_data['search_query']` searches the system and validates the existence of all entities

#### 6.1.3 satellite\_populate.assertion\_operators module

Implement basic assertions to be used in assertion action

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.eq` (*value*, *other*)  
 Equal

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.gt` (*value*, *other*)  
 Greater than

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.gte` (*value, other*)  
Greater than or equal

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.identity` (*value, other*)  
Identity check using ID

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.lt` (*value, other*)  
Lower than

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.lte` (*value, other*)  
Lower than or equal

`satellite_populate.assertion_operators.ne` (*value, other*)  
Not equal

### 6.1.4 `satellite_populate.base` module

Base module for `satellite_populate` reads the YAML definition and perform all the rendering and basic actions.

**class** `satellite_populate.base.BasePopulator` (*data, verbose=None, mode=None, config=None*)

Bases: `object`

Base class for API and CLI populators

**action\_assertion** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data*)  
Run assert operations

**action\_echo** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data*)  
After message is echoed to log, check if needs print

**action\_register** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data*)  
Register arbitrary items to the registry

**action\_unregister** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data*)  
Remove data from registry

**add\_modules\_to\_context** ()  
Add modules dynamically to render context

**add\_rendered\_action** (*action\_data, rendered\_action\_data*)  
Add rendered action to be written in validation file

**add\_to\_registry** (*action\_data, result, append=True*)  
Add objects to the internal registry

**build\_raw\_query** (*data, action\_data*)  
Builds nailgun `raw_query` for search

**build\_search** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data, context=None*)  
Build search data and returns a dict containing elements

- `data` Dictionary of parsed `rendered_action_data` to be used to instantiate an object to searched without `raw_query`.
- `options` if `search_options` are specified it is passed to `.search(**options)`
- `searchable` Returns boolean `True` if model inherits from `EntitySearchMixin`, else alternative search must be implemented.

if `search_query` is available in `action_data` it will be used instead of `rendered_action_data`.

**build\_search\_options** (*data, action\_data*)

Builds nailgun options for search raw\_query: Some API endpoints demands a raw\_query, so build it as in example: `{'query': {'search': 'name=name,label=label,id=28'}}`

force\_raw: Returns a boolean if action\_data.force\_raw is explicitly specified

**config**

Return config dynamically because it can be overwritten by user in datafile or by custom populator

**crud\_actions**

Return a list of crud\_actions, actions that gets *data* and perform nailgun crud operations so custom populators can overwrite this list to add new crud actions.

**execute** (*mode=None*)

Iterates the entities property described in YAML file and parses its values, variables and substitutions depending on *mode* execute *populate* or *validate*

**from\_factory** (*action\_data, context*)

Generates random content using fauxfactory

**from\_read** (*action\_data, context*)

Gets fields and perform a read to return Entity object used when 'from\_read' directive is used in YAML file

**from\_search** (*action\_data, context*)

Gets fields and perform a search to return Entity object used when 'from\_search' directive is used in YAML file

**get\_search\_result** (*model, search, unique=False, silent\_errors=False*)

Perform a search

**load\_raw\_search\_rules** ()

Reads default search rules then update first with custom populator defined rules and then user defined in datafile.

**populate** (*rendered\_action\_data, raw\_entity, search\_query, action*)

Should be implemented in sub classes

**populate\_modelname** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data, search\_query, action*)

Example on how to implement custom populate methods e.g: `def populate_organization` This method should take care of all validations and errors.

**raw\_search\_rules**

Subclasses of custom populators can extend this rules

**render** (*action\_data, action*)

Takes an entity description and strips 'data' out to perform single rendering and also handle repetitions defined in *with\_items*

**render\_action\_data** (*data, context*)

Gets a single action\_data and perform inplace template rendering or reference evaluation depending on directive being used.

**render\_assertion\_data** (*action\_data, rendered\_action\_data*)

Render items on assertion data

**resolve\_result** (*data, from\_where, k, v, result*)

Used in *from\_search* and *from\_object* to get specific attribute from object e.g: name. Or to invoke a method when attr is a dictionary of parameters.

**set\_gpgkey** ()

Set gpgkey

**validate** (*rendered\_action\_data, raw\_entity, search\_query, action*)

Should be implemented in sub classes

**validate\_modelname** (*rendered\_action\_data, action\_data, search\_query, action*)

Example on how to implement custom validate methods e.g.: `def validate_organization` This method should take care of all validations and errors.

### 6.1.5 satellite\_populate.cli module

To be implemented: a populator using CLI

### 6.1.6 satellite\_populate.commands module

This module contains commands to interact with satellite populator and validator.

Commands included:

#### satellite-populate

A command to populate the system based in an YAML file describing the entities:

```
$ satellite-populate file.yaml -h myhost.com -o /tmp/validation.yaml
```

#### validate

A command to validate the system based in an validation file generated by the populate or a YAML file with mode: validation:

```
$ satellite-populate /tmp/validation.yaml
```

Use `$ satellite-populate --help` for more info

`satellite_populate.commands.execute_populate` (*datafile, verbose, output, mode, scheme, port, hostname, username, password, report=True, enable\_output=True*)

Populate using the data described in *datafile*:

### 6.1.7 satellite\_populate.constants module

Default base config values

### 6.1.8 satellite\_populate.decorators module

decorators for populate feature

`satellite_populate.decorators.populate_with` (*data, context\_name=None, context\_wrapper=<function default\_context\_wrapper>, \*\*extra\_options*)

To be used in test cases as a decorator

Having a `data_file` like:

```
actions:
  - model: Organization
    register: organization_1
  data:
    name: My Org
```

Then you can use in decorators:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml')
def test_case_(self):
    'My Org exists in system test anything here'
```

And getting the populated entities inside the test\_case:

```
@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context')
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    assert my_context.organization_1.name == 'My Org'
```

You can also set a customized context wrapper to the context\_wrapper argument:

```
def my_custom_context_wrapper(result):
    # create an object using result
    my_context = MyResultContext(result)
    return my_context

@populate_with('file.yaml', context_name='my_context',
              context_wrapper=my_custom_context_wrapper)
def test_case_(self, my_context=None):
    # assert with some expression using my_context object returned
    # my_custom_context_wrapper
    assert some_expression
```

NOTE:

That is important that `context_name` argument always be declared using either a default value `my_context=None` or handle in `**kwargs`. Otherwise `py.test` may try to use this as a fixture placeholder.

if context\_wrapper is set to None, my\_context will be the pure unmodified result of populate function.

## 6.1.9 satellite\_populate.main module

Point of entry for populate and validate used in scripts

`satellite_populate.main.default_context_wrapper` (*result*)

Takes the result of populator and keeps only useful data e.g. in decorators `context.registered_name`, `context.config.verbose` and `context.vars.admin_username` will all be available.

`satellite_populate.main.get_populator` (*data*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Gets an instance of populator dynamically

`satellite_populate.main.load_data` (*datafile*)

Loads YAML file as a dictionary

`satellite_populate.main.populate` (*data*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Loads and execute populator in populate mode

`satellite_populate.main.save_rendered_data (result, filepath)`  
Save the result of rendering in a new file to be used for validation

`satellite_populate.main.setup_yaml ()`  
Set YAML to use OrderedDict <http://stackoverflow.com/a/8661021>

### 6.1.10 `satellite_populate.utils` module

**class** `satellite_populate.utils.SmartDict (*args, **kwargs)`  
Bases: dict

A Dict which is accessible via attribute dot notation

**copy ()**

`satellite_populate.utils.format_result (result)`  
format result to show in logs

`satellite_populate.utils.import_from_string (import_name, *args, **kwargs)`  
Try import string and then try builtins

`satellite_populate.utils.remove_keys (data, *args, **kwargs)`  
remove keys from dictionary `d = {'item': 1, 'other': 2, 'keep': 3}` `remove_keys(d, 'item', 'other')` `d -> {'keep': 3}` `deep = True` returns a deep copy of data.

`satellite_populate.utils.remove_nones (data)`  
remove nones from data

`satellite_populate.utils.set_logger (verbose)`  
Set logger verbosity used when client is called with `-vvvvv`

### 6.1.11 Module contents

This package contains tools to populate and validate the system

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