
Selenium configurator Documentation

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This library provide an helper api for selenium launchers. it prepares multiple selenium web drivers from a configuration file. This aims to help launchers to run 1 task over multiple browsers through various selenium web drivers (local, grid, cloud provider...).

Resources

- [Documentation](#)
- [Issue Tracker](#)
- [Code](#)

intended persons

- Developers writing a configuration file which want to read a configuration format reference
- Contributors or developer that want to extend nor add new features
- Developer using directly this library to reuse this configuration format and wants to launch selenium test by itself.

Quick overview

This is what looks like a selenium configuration file to prepare 5 webdrivers (2 local Firefox with different configs / 1 local Chrome / 1 chrome on selenium Grid / 1 firefox on selenium Grid):

```
drivers:
- class: selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Chrome
  capabilities:
    cap1: Chrome_capability1
- class: selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox
- class: selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox
  capabilities:
    cap1: Firefox_capability1
- class: selenium_configurator.drivers.remote.Grid
  command_executor: http://grid.example.com:4444/wd/hub
  capabilities:
    cap1: grid_capability1
    cap2: grid_capability2
  request_drivers:
    - browserName: chrome
      platform: LINUX
      version:
        cap2: chrome_grid_capability2
    - browserName: firefox
      platform: LINUX
      version: "3.4"
      cap1: firefox_grid_capability1
global_capabilities:
  cap1: global_capability1
  cap2: global_capability2
  cap3: global_capability3
```

Known projects using this library

- [nose-selenium-multi-browser](#): is a nose plugin that duplicate a testCase as many times as there are configured browsers then those tests can be launched in parallels.
- [selenium-odoo-qunit](#): This is a CI launcher to run Odoo Qunit tests on multiple browsers at once using selenium.

Contents

5.1 Installation

5.1.1 Requirements

selenium-configurator required:

- **python 2.7**, I expect to support in the future python ≥ 3.4 .
- **selenium**, official selenium python binding
- **pyyaml**, yaml parser (which can parse json as well)

5.1.2 Install selenium-configurator

To install **selenium-configurator** from pypi in a virtualenv:

```
$ virtualenv sandbox
$ sandbox/bin/pip install selenium-configurator
```

To install from source:

```
$ virtualenv sandbox
$ git clone git@anybox/selenium-configurator.git
$ cd selenium-configurator
$ ../sandbox/bin/python setyp.py
```

5.2 Reference documentation

5.2.1 Configuration

File format

The configuration file can be a **Json** file or a **Yaml** file.

Structure documentation

Json structure:

```
{
  "drivers": [
    {
      "class": "path.to.the.config.driver.class"
    }, ...
  ],
  "global_capabilities": {
  }
}
```

Yaml structure:

```
drivers:
  - class: path.to.the.config.driver.class
  - ...

global_capabilities:
  ...
```

- **drivers** required: Array of *config driver*
- **global_capabilities** optional: Capabilities shared with all drivers, can be overload on each driver definition

Note: In the following documentation we are going to display only Json format

Configuration driver

Each selenium webdriver MUST have a *Configuration driver class* to later start the browser:

```
{
  "class": path.to.the.config.driver.class,
  "capabilities": {
    "foo": "bar",
  },
}
```

- **class** required: This is the absolute python import to the python configuration driver class
- **capabilities** optional: selenium capabilities to use for this webdriver overwrite `global_capabilities`

Warning: Depending the configuration driver class used, the driver configuration format MAY differ.

We can distinguish 2 kind of webdriver:

- **local:** using to launch browser on the same computer where the code is running
- **remote:** to run browser on other computers.

In the later case we can call it directly or using a service (Selenium Grid, Sauce, ...) that give us a single entry point to communicate with. In this case you will get an extra parameter to ask: is there / where is the browser with those capabilities `request_drivers` those services will give you an available browser to run your test on.

This library provide a list of configuration driver class to map common selenium webdriver:

- **Local drivers: Require selenium drivers installed for the given browser on**

the computer you are running this lib

- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox`
- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Chrome`
- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Opera`
- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Safari`
- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Ie`
- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Phantomjs`

- **Remote drivers:**

- `selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Grid`

Extending configuration file

Not implemented yet! I would love to add the capability to a configuration file to extend an other configuration files to allow more flexibility over plateform constraint.

Confidential information

When using Grid service like Sauce / ... you may want to not store private token on this config file! I expect to manage this use cas when I'll need it the first time

5.2.2 Coding

Use this library

This is a simple example how to use this library:

```
from selenium_configurator.conf.configurator import Configurator

selenium_conf = Configurator.from_file('/path/to/selenium.json')
drivers = selenium_conf.get_drivers() # list of config drivers class

# to visit python.org website on each browser define on selenium.json
for driver in drivers:
    driver.selenium.get('https://www.python.org/')
    driver.quit()
```

For further information please have a look to the [API documentation](#)

Configuration driver class

Extending existing driver

5.3 How to contribute

5.3.1 Installation

Install **selenium-configurator** from source:

```
$ virtualenv sandbox
$ git clone git@anybox/selenium-configurator.git
$ cd selenium-configurator
$ ../sandbox/bin/python setup.py develop
```

5.3.2 Running test

To run unittest you will need an internet access, firefox webdriver and a grid to run it locally:

```
$ nosetests -s -v selenium_configurator/tests/
```

5.3.3 Setup local webdriver

- [chrome/chromium](#)
- [firefox](#)

5.3.4 Setup grid and nodes

You can easily setup a Grid using selenium docker container.

- [Selenium images on docker hub](#)
- [Docker files](#)

5.3.5 Code style

PEP8

5.4 API Documentation

5.4.1 Configurator

class `selenium_configurator.configurator.Configurator` (*config*)

This Configurator class is the entry point to prepare a selenium web driver list from a configuration string, file or object.

A short example to launch on a local Firefox would be:

```

from selenium_configurator.configurator import Configurator

configurator = Configurator(
    {
        'drivers': [
            {
                'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox',
            }
        ],
    }
)
drivers = configuration.get_drivers()
for driver in drivers:
    driver.selenium.get('https://anybox.fr/')
    driver.quit()

```

classmethod from_file (*path*)

Create a Configurator from a .yaml or .json file

Parameters *path* – to the config file

Returns An instance of Configurator

classmethod from_string (*yaml_conf*)

Create a Configurator from a string that expected to be a yaml or json format.

Parameters *yaml_conf* – A string

Returns An instance of Configurator

get_drivers ()

Get the list of driver instance from the configuration description provide to that configurator class

Returns A list of drivers instances that contains selenium instance ready to start,

5.4.2 Driver

class selenium_configurator.driver.**Driver** (*conf, global_capabilities=None, name=None*)

Abstract class to define and ensure to expose uniform public API

We mainly recommend to use *get_web_drivers* class method to instantiate Drivers. For instance remote web-drivers that use service like selenium Grid will return multiple instance of Driver..

classmethod get_web_drivers (*conf, global_capabilities=None*)

Class method to prepare Driver(s) instance according current Driver class and given settings.

Parameters

- **conf** – a dict that contains the Driver configuration
- **global_capabilities** – Capabilities shared over Drivers configuration

Returns a list of Driver

global_capabilities = None

Capabilities shared between drivers

name

Returns the technical name that describe the related webdriver

quit()

Prefer this way to `quit()` a selenium to properly re-open the browser in case it was closed

selenium

Get the instance of webdriver, it starts the browser if the webdriver is not yet instantiated

Returns a 'selenium instance <<http://selenium-python.readthedocs.org/>

[api.html#module-selenium.webdriver.remote.webdriver](http://selenium-python.readthedocs.org/api.html#module-selenium.webdriver.remote.webdriver)>'

class selenium_configurator.driver.DriverFactory

This class parse the config dict to generate the list of Driver

5.4.3 Local

Local driver to launch browser on the current computer.

While instantiate a webdriver you can request for different [capabilities](#), to change available behavior of the browser.

class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Chrome(*conf*, *global_capabilities=None*,
name=None)

Local Chrom/Chromium webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Chrome',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

[Specific capabilities](#)

class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox(*conf*, *global_capabilities=None*,
name=None)

Local Firefox webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Firefox',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

[Specific capabilities](#)

class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Ie(*conf*, *global_capabilities=None*, *name=None*)

Local Internet Explorer webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Ie',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

[Specific capabilities](#)

```
class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Opera(conf, global_capabilities=None,
                                              name=None)
```

Local Opera webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Opera',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

```
class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Phantomjs(conf, global_capabilities=None,
                                                    name=None)
```

Local phantomjs webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Phantomjs',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

```
class selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Safari(conf, global_capabilities=None,
                                                  name=None)
```

Local Safari webdriver

Configuration settings:

```
{
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.local.Safari',
    'capabilities': {
        ...
    }
}
```

Specific capabilities

5.4.4 Remote

```
class selenium_configurator.drivers.remote.Grid(grid_conf, desired_capabilities,
                                                global_capabilities=None, name=None)
```

Grid Driver class to use over browsers over a Selenium Grid

It give you the availability to request multiple browsers against one Grid server.

Configuration settings to get 1 Chrome and 1 Firefox over a Grid service:

```
conf = {
    'class': 'selenium_configurator.drivers.remote.Grid',
    'capabilities': {
        # Capabilities shared with request browser and overload
        # general capabilities
    },
    "request_drivers": [
        {
            "browserName": "firefox",
            "platform": "LINUX",
```

```
        "version": "",
        # other capabilities
    },
    {
        "browserName": "chrome",
        "platform": "LINUX",
        "version": "",
    },
]
}
from selenium_configurator.driver.remote import Grid
driver_list = Grid.get_web_drivers(conf)
```

Available request drivers capabilities

classmethod `get_web_drivers` (*conf*, *global_capabilities=None*)

Prepare 1 selenium driver instance per request browsers

Parameters

- **conf** –
- **global_capabilities** –

Returns

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