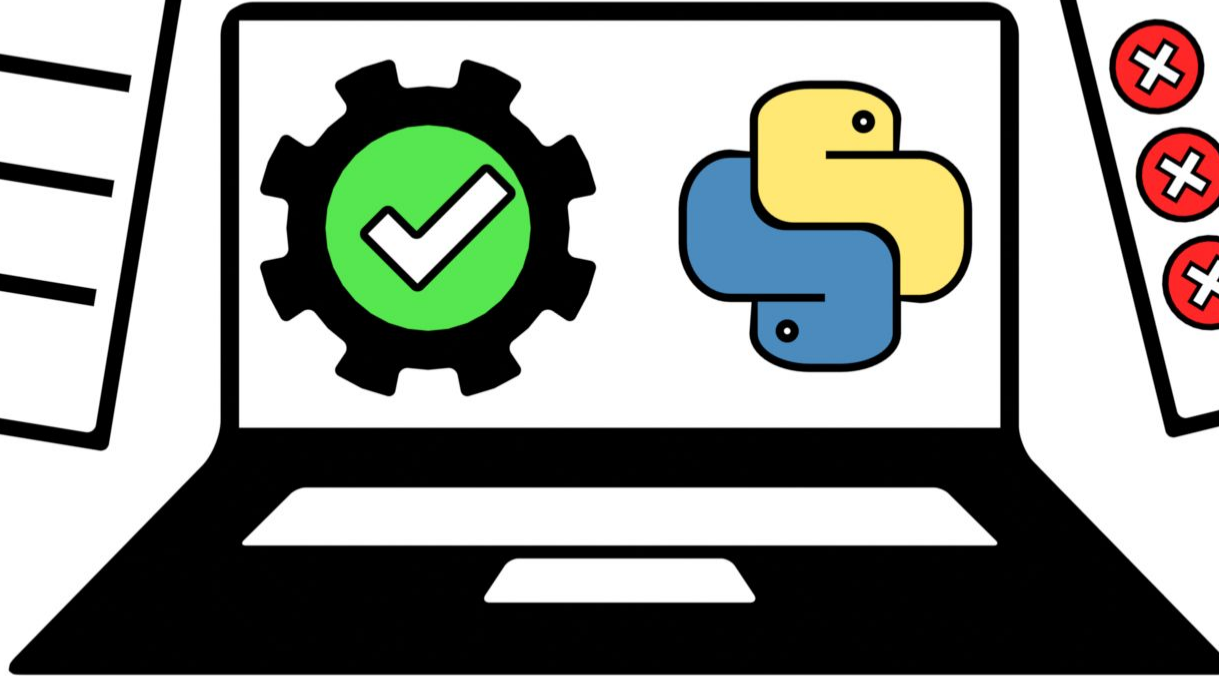


Automated Add-on Extension Testing



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Overview

1. Benefits and the "why"
2. Designing Tests
3. Improve your Testing Workflow
4. Testing Blender without (and with) UI
5. Code demo/example (with Light Painter)

Ever had to do a hotfix?

... only to reintroduce an old bug?

Ever added a feature

... changing over a dozen files?

Or refactor all your add-on code

... without knowing it will work?

#479 **Try to help but
need some help**



13 comments



15 reviews



569 files

+128020

-1532



What are your options?

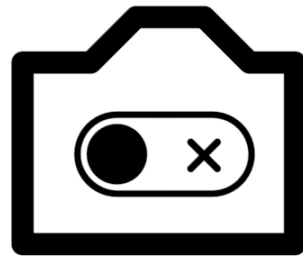
1. Make your add-on smaller
2. Users = testers
3. Manually test
4. Automate your testing!





Shot Matcher

Proxy Plus



NVIEW



LIGHT PAINTER

Benefits of Scripted Testing



1. Consistency

(less human error in testing)

2. Fast feedback

The screenshot displays the PyCharm IDE interface during a test run. The top toolbar includes icons for Run, Debug, Test, and other development tools. Below the toolbar, the 'Run' tab is active, showing the execution of a test suite.

Left Pane: Test Results

- Test Results Summary:** 3 sec 61 ms
- test_active_camera:** 74 ms
 - test_obj_active_camera_partial: 6 ms
 - test_obj_active_camera_all: 10 ms
 - test_obj_active_camera_keyframes: 25 ms
 - (VIEW_FRUSTUM): 9 ms
 - (OCCLUSION): 11 ms
 - (DISTANCE): 5 ms
 - test_mesh_active_camera_none: 2 ms
 - test_mesh_active_camera_all: 2 ms
 - test_custom_camera_partial: 5 ms
 - test_custom_camera_none: 4 ms
 - test_custom_camera_intersection_none: 6 ms
 - test_custom_camera_union_all: 6 ms
 - test_custom_camera_generate_mesh: 8 ms
- test_anim: 335 ms
- test_keyframe: 333 ms
 - test_keyframe_full_range: 276 ms
 - (VIEW_FRUSTUM): 107 ms
 - (OCCLUSION): 169 ms
 - test_keyframe_one_frame: 7 ms
 - test_keyframe_some_frames_cubes: 28 ms
 - test_keyframe_large_step: 13 ms
 - test_clear_keyframes: 9 ms
- test_mesh: 230 ms
- test_ortho: 1 sec 867 ms
- test_scene: 222 ms

Right Pane: Test Output

```

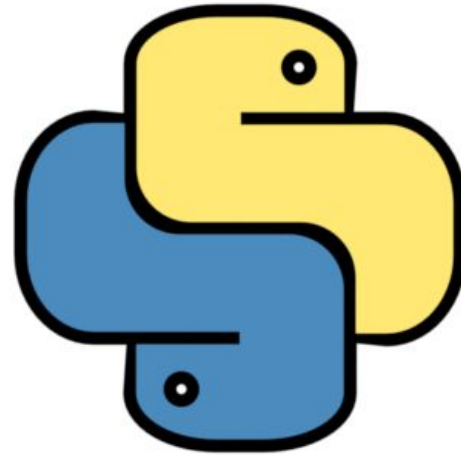
Tests failed: 9, passed: 118 of 127 tests - 3 sec 61 ms

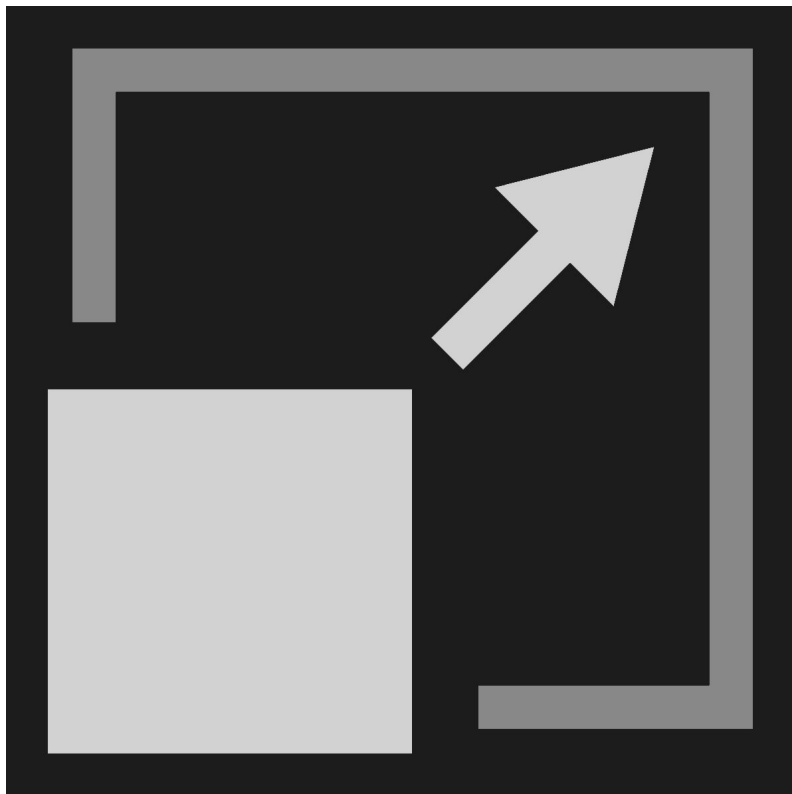
C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\nview_test\.venv\Scripts\python.exe "C:/Program Files/JetBrains/PyCharm Community Edition 2022.3.1/plugins/
Testing started at 8:19 AM ...
Launching pytest with arguments C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests --no-header --no-summary -q in C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests
===== test session starts =====
collecting ... collected 127 items

test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_partial[VIEW_FRUSTUM]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_partial[OCCLUSION]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_partial[DISTANCE]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_all[VIEW_FRUSTUM] Using C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\nview-3-7-5.zip...
addon_utils.disable: nview not loaded
Modules Installed (nview) from 'C:\\Users\\semag\\Documents\\Repos\\NView\\nview-3-7-5.zip' into 'C:\\Users\\semag\\AppData\\Roaming\\Blender Foundation\\Blender\\2.83\\addons\\nview'
Info: Modules Installed (nview) from 'C:\\Users\\semag\\Documents\\Repos\\NView\\nview-3-7-5.zip' into 'C:\\Users\\semag\\AppData\\Roaming\\Blender Foundation\\Blender\\2.83\\addons\\nview'
Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 0%]Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 1%]Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 2%]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_all[OCCLUSION]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_all[DISTANCE]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_keyframes[VIEW_FRUSTUM] Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 3%]Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 3%]Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
PASSED [ 4%]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_keyframes[OCCLUSION]
test_active_camera.py::test_obj_active_camera_keyframes[DISTANCE]
test_active_camera.py::test_mesh_active_camera_none Read blend: "C:\Users\semag\Documents\Repos\NView\tests\test_active_camera.blend"
FAILED [ 5%]Error: No ID block and/or AnimData to delete keyframe from
Error: No ID block and/or AnimData to delete keyframe from
    
```

3. Higher Quality Code

(less human error in coding)





4. Scalable*

(if you maintain your tests)

5. User Satisfaction



Jan Thastum

over 4 years ago



A "no brainer" for the price. Does what it should. I especially like the color ranges it picks in one go. The developer fixed compatibility with 2.9 within a day after reaching out. Stellar service.



Joe Morris

over 1 year ago



This is absolutely the best thing ever.... I use it all the time because I work on scenes that are between 1 GB and 2 GB and trust me you can't pass this up... The industry way to do things represented by the Blender demo files, is to make scenes that only look good from the camera view, But NVEIW makes it so you could have full houses, In your scene full of props, And all your characters fully animated...with no lagging....It's a new way to work with Blender using very genius code created by an extremely competent developer!!

Designing Tests

1. Installation (non-extensions and extensions)
2. Accessing properties
3. Operators
4. Non-Blender packages (executables, libraries)
5. Don't forget uninstallation!

Other Types of Tests

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```
def test_import_relative_only():
    """Prevents nViewAddon subfolder being referenced in an import line."""
    import os
    from pathlib import Path

    import addon_utils
    addon_module = next(m for m in addon_utils.modules() if m.__name__ == 'nview')
    installation_folder = Path(addon_module.__file__).parent
    print(installation_folder)
    for root, dirs, files in os.walk(installation_folder):
        if 'tests' in root:
            continue
        for file in files:
            if file.endswith('.py'):
                full_path = os.path.join(root, file)
                with open(full_path, 'r') as filestream:
                    text = filestream.read()
                    if text.__contains__('from nView') or text.__contains__('import nView'):
                        assert False, f'nview import at "{full_path}"'
```

Bugs


```
def test_object_handle_no_camera(context, ops):  
    ops.object.select_all(action='DESELECT')  
    context.scene.objects['Camera'].select_set(True)  
    ops.object.delete() # deletes camera  
    ops.object.select_all(action='SELECT')  
  
    with pytest.raises(RuntimeError):  
        ops.semagnum_nview.select()  
  
    with pytest.raises(RuntimeError):  
        ops.semagnum_nview.obj_visibility()  
  
    with pytest.raises(RuntimeError):  
        ops.semagnum_nview.col_visibility()  
  
    with pytest.raises(RuntimeError):  
        ops.semagnum_nview.obj_mask()
```

Input validation

Load/Performance Testing

```
def test_performance(context, ops):  
    import functools  
    import timeit  
  
    run = functools.partial(  
        ops.semagnum_nview.select,  
        object_algorithm=OCCLUSION_OPTION,  
        tile_size=2,  
    )  
  
    LIMIT_IN_SECONDS = 10.0  
    seconds_elapsed = timeit.timeit(run, number=10)  
    assert seconds_elapsed < LIMIT_IN_SECONDS, f'Elapsed time: {seconds_elapsed} > {LIMIT_IN_SECONDS}, run faster!'
```

Testing with Blender



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bpy 4.5.2

```
pip install bpy
```



Blender as a Python module

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Verified details

These details have been [verified by PyPI](#)

Maintainers



BlenderFoundation

Project description

Blender

[Blender](#) is the free and open source animation, simulation, rendering, and more.

This package provides Blender as a Python module.

Archived Versions

Blender versions outside the current release can be downloaded from download.blender.org/pypi/bpy/.

Blender Python Module

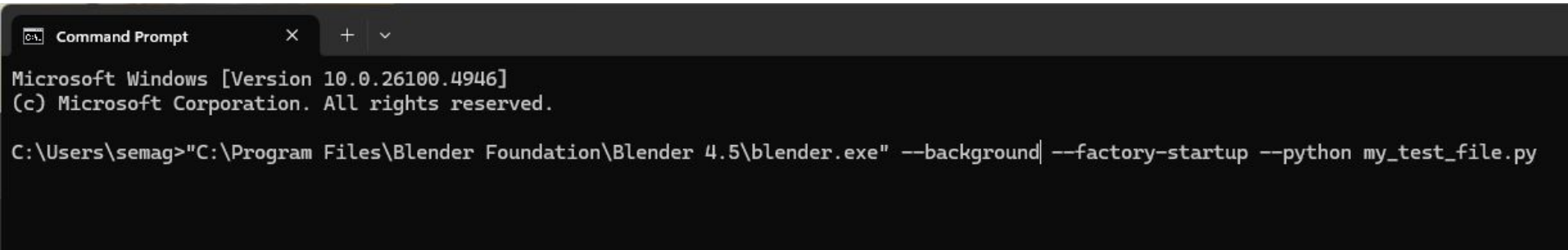
Options:

- Build from source code (using **make bpy**)
- Install with **pip**
- Download from pypi.org

Blender executable

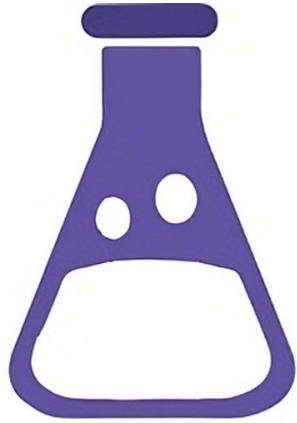
Using the command line:

- `--background` (no UI)
- `--python <python_file>`
- `--factory-startup` (optional)

A screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window. The title bar shows 'Command Prompt' with standard window controls. The text inside the window displays the Windows version and copyright information, followed by the command to run Blender 4.5 in the background with a Python script.

```
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.4946]  
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.  
  
C:\Users\semag>"C:\Program Files\Blender Foundation\Blender 4.5\blender.exe" --background| --factory-startup --python my_test_file.py
```

Testing Frameworks



unittest



pytest

Improve Your Testing Workflow

Use .blend files

```
@pytest.fixture
def ops():
    import bpy
    import os
    path = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(__file__), TEST_FILE)
    bpy.ops.wm.open_mainfile(filepath=path)

    for cube_name in cube_names:
        obj = get_obj_by_name(bpy.context, cube_name)
        obj.select_set(True)

    return bpy.ops
```


Fixtures

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```
@pytest.fixture
def context():
    import bpy
    return bpy.context
```

57 usages (1 dynamic) ± Spencer Magnusson

```
@pytest.fixture
def ops():
    import bpy
    import os
    path = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(__file__), TEST_FILE)
    bpy.ops.wm.open_mainfile(filepath=path)
    select_tested_objects(bpy.context)
    return bpy.ops
```

20 usages ± Spencer Magnusson

```
@pytest.fixture(params=[VIEW_FRUSTUM_OPTION, OCCLUSION_OPTION, DISTANCE_OPTION])
def culling_method(request):
    return request.param
```

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```
def test_visibility_all_objects(ops, context, culling_method):
    """Validate bounding box support on all objects."""
    ops.object.select_all(action='SELECT')

    ops.semagnum_nview.obj_visibility(visible=True, selectable=True, viewport=True, render=True,
                                     object_algorithm=culling_method, frustum_margin=1.0)
```

Setup/teardown functions

```
class TestExtension(unittest.TestCase):
```

```
    @classmethod
    def setUpClass(cls):
        """Install extension via repository"""
        repo = str(Path(__file__).parent.parent.parent)

        import bpy
        bpy.ops.wm.read_factory_settings(use_factory_startup_app_template_only=True)

        repo_module = 'test_repo'
        new_repo = bpy.context.preferences.extensions.repos.new(
            name='Test Repo',
            module=repo_module,
            custom_directory=repo,
            source='USER'
        )
        cls.module_path = 'bl_ext.' + repo_module + '.addon_testing'
        bpy.ops.preferences.addon_enable(module=cls.module_path)
```

```
    def test_disable_enable(self):
        """Validate enabling or disabling the add-on"""
        try:
            import bpy
            bpy.ops.preferences.addon_disable(module=self.module_path)
            bpy.ops.preferences.addon_enable(module=self.module_path)
        except Exception as e:
            self.fail(str(e))
```

```
    @classmethod
    def tearDownClass(cls):
        """Disable add-on"""
        import bpy
        bpy.ops.preferences.addon_disable(module=cls.module_path)
```

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Code coverage

```

1  name: tests
2
3  on:
4    push:
5      branches: ["main"]
6    pull_request:
7      branches: ["*"]
8
9  jobs:
10   blender:
11     runs-on: ${ matrix.os }
12     strategy:
13       max-parallel: 4
14       fail-fast: false
15       matrix:
16         version: ["4.5", "daily"]
17         os: [ubuntu-latest, macos-latest, windows-latest]
18     steps:
19       - uses: actions/checkout@v4
20       - uses: BradyAJohnston/setup-blender@v3
21       with:
22         version: ${ matrix.version }
23       - name: Install in Blender
24         run: |
25           blender -b -P tests/python.py -- -m pip install ".[test]"
26       - name: Run Tests
27         run: |
28           blender -b -P tests/run.py -- -vv tests --cov --cov-report=xml
29
30       - name: Expose coverage as a CI download
31         uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4
32         if: matrix.os == 'ubuntu-latest' && matrix.version == '4.2.5'
33         with:
34           name: coverage.xml
35           path: coverage.xml
36
37       - name: Upload coverage reports to Codecov
38         if: matrix.os == 'ubuntu-latest'
39         uses: codecov/codecov-action@v3

```

Automate your automation

"Extensions are Coming:
Rethinking add-on
development by unlocking
Python's full potential" -
Friday, 14:30

What about testing Blender with the UI?

Event Simulation

Command line: `--enable-event-simulate`
`bpy.types.Window.event_simulate(type, value,`
`x=0, y=0, ...)`

Demo/Example with Light Painter

Hey, hey Spencer...

Blender has something to say...

Resources

- Add-on Testing Template

- [Codeberg](#)
- [GitHub](#)
- Light Painter

- ["Scripting Your First Blender Add-on" course](#)
for add-on beginners

