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# **Distest Documentation**

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Distest is a library that makes it very easy to write great application tests for your discord bots! See [quickstart](#) for information on how to get started fast!

Distest works by using a secondary Discord bot account to send specified commands to your bot and ensure that it reacts appropriately. Without Distest, you would have to mock a discord server to properly test your bot. With Distest, you can automate the testing of your bot using a shell script, making testing and continuous integration painless and easy.

See the [interface](#) reference for a list of assertions this library is capable of. If you can think of an assertion that would be useful, make a pull request!



## 1.1 Installation

### 1. Install the library with pip:

```
$ pip install distest
```

2. Distest works by using a second bot (the ‘tester’) to assert that your bot (the ‘target’) reacts to events appropriately. This means you will need to create a second bot account through the [Discord Developer’s Portal](#) and obtain the authorization token. You also have to invite the tester to your discord guild.
3. Refer to the *Example Test Suite* for the syntax/function calls necessary to build your suite.

## 1.2 Usage

The tests can be run in one of two modes: *interactive* and *command-line*. In interactive mode, the bot will wait for you to initiate tests manually. In command-line mode, the bot will join a designated channel, run all designated tests, and exit with an error code of 0 if all tests were successful (any other number if otherwise). This allows for automating your test suite, allowing you to implement Continuous Integration on your Discord bot!

### 1.2.1 Interactive Mode

#### 1. Run the bot by running your test suite module directly (called `example_tester.py` here):

```
$ python example_tester.py TARGET_NAME TESTER_TOKEN
```

2. Go to the channel you want to run your tests in and call the bot using the `::run` command. You can either designate specific tests to run by name or use `::run all`

#### See also:

`::help` for more commands/options.

## 1.2.2 Command-Line Mode

For command-line you have to designate the ID of the channel you want to run tests in (preceded by the `-c` flag). You must also designate which tests to run (with the `-r` flag). Your command should look something like this:

```
$ python example_tester.py TARGET_NAME TESTER_TOKEN -c CHANNEL_ID -r all
```

The program will print test names to the console as it runs them, and then exit.



## CHAPTER 2

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### Example Test Suite

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This is the `example_tester.py` file found in the root directory. It contains tests for every assertion in *Interface*. This suite is also used to test our library, in conjunction with the `example_target.py`. The easiest way to get started is to adapt this suite of tests so it's specific to your bot, then run this module with

```
$ python example_tester.py ${TARGET_NAME} ${TESTER_TOKEN}
```

where `TARGET_NAME` is the display name of your discord bot, and `TESTER_TOKEN` is the auth token for your testing bot.

```
1 """
2 A functional demo of all possible test cases. This is the format you will want to use,
  ↳with your testing bot.
3
4     Run with:
5         python example_tests.py TARGET_NAME TESTER_TOKEN
6 """
7 import asyncio
8 import sys
9 from distest import TestCollector
10 from distest import run_interactive_bot, run_dtest_bot
11
12 # The tests themselves
13
14 test_collector = TestCollector()
15
16
17 @test_collector()
18 async def test_ping(interface):
19     await interface.assert_reply_contains("ping?", "pong!")
20
21
22 @test_collector()
23 async def test_reaction(interface):
24     await interface.assert_reaction_equals("React with \u2714 please!", u"\u2714")
```

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```
25
26
27 @test_collector()
28 async def test_reply_equals(interface):
29     await interface.assert_reply_equals("Please say 'epic!'", "epic!")
30
31
32 @test_collector()
33 async def test_silence(interface):
34     await interface.send_message("Shhhhh...")
35     await interface.ensure_silence()
36
37
38 @test_collector()
39 async def test_reply_contains(interface):
40     await interface.assert_reply_contains(
41         "Say something containing 'gamer' please!", "gamer"
42     )
43
44
45 @test_collector()
46 async def test_reply_matches(interface):
47     await interface.assert_reply_matches(
48         "Say something matching the regex `[0-9]{1,3}`", r"[0-9]{1,3}"
49     )
50
51
52 @test_collector()
53 async def test_ask_human(interface):
54     await interface.ask_human("Click the Check!")
55
56
57 @test_collector()
58 async def test_reply_has_image(interface):
59     await interface.assert_reply_has_image("Post something with an image!")
60
61
62 @test_collector()
63 async def test_reply_on_edit(interface):
64     message = await interface.send_message("Say 'Yeah, that cool!'")
65     await asyncio.sleep(1)
66     await interface.edit_message(message, "Say 'Yeah, that is cool!'")
67     await interface.assert_message_contains(message, "Yeah, that is cool!")
68
69
70 # Actually run the bot
71
72 if __name__ == "__main__":
73     run_dtest_bot(sys.argv, test_collector)
```

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## Main Functions

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`distest.run_dtest_bot` (*sysargs*, *test\_collector*, *timeout=5*)

This is the function you will call in your test suite's `if __name__ == "__main__":` statement to get the bot started.

### Parameters

- **sysargs** (*list*) – The list returned by `sys.argv`, this function parses it and will handle errors in format
- **test\_collector** (`TestCollector`) – The *Collector* that has been used to decorate the tests
- **timeout** (*int*) – An optional parameter to override the amount of time to wait for responses before failing tests. Defaults to 5 seconds.

`distest.run_command_line_bot` (*target*, *token*, *tests*, *channel\_id*, *stats*, *collector*, *timeout*)

Start the bot in command-line mode. The program will exit 1 if any of the tests failed.

Relies on `run_dtest_bot()` to parse the command line arguments and pass them here. Not really meant to be called by the user.

### Parameters

- **target** (*str*) – The display name of the bot we are testing.
- **token** (*str*) – The tester's token, used to log in.
- **tests** (*str*) – List of tests to run.
- **channel\_id** (*int*) – The ID of the channel in which to run the tests.
- **stats** (*bool*) – Determines whether or not to display stats after run.
- **collector** (`TestCollector`) – The collector that gathered our tests.
- **timeout** (*int*) – The amount of time to wait for responses before failing tests.

`distest.run_interactive_bot` (*target\_name*, *token*, *test\_collector*, *timeout=5*)

Run the bot in interactive mode.

Relies on `run_dtest_bot()` to parse the command line arguments and pass them here. Not really meant to be called by the user.

### Parameters

- **target\_name** (*str*) – The display name of the bot we are testing.
- **token** (*str*) – The tester’s token, used to log in.
- **test\_collector** (`TestCollector`) – The collector that gathered our tests.
- **timeout** (*int*) – The amount of time to wait for responses before failing tests.

**class** `distest.interface.TestInterface` (*client, channel, target*)

All the tests, and some supporting functions. Tests are designed to be run by the tester bot and mixed together or with `send_message`. in order to actually test the bot.

**Parameters**

- **client** (*discord.Client*) – The discord client of the tester.
- **channel** (*discord.TextChannel*) – The discord channel in which to run the tests.
- **target** (*discord.Member*) – The bot we’re testing.

**ask\_human** (*query*)

Ask a human for an opinion on a question. Currently, only yes-no questions are supported. If the human answers ‘no’, the test will be failed.

**Parameters** **query** (*str*) – The question for the human.

**Raises** `HumanResponseTimeout`, `HumanResponseFailure`

**assert\_message\_contains** (*message, substring*)

If *message* does not contain the given substring, fail the test.

**Parameters**

- **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message to test.
- **substring** (*str*) – The string to test *message* against.

**Returns** *message*

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_message\_equals** (*message, matches*)

If *message* does not match a string exactly, fail the test.

**Parameters**

- **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message to test.

- **matches** (*str*) – The string to test *message* against.

**Returns** *message*

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_message\_has\_image** (*message*)

Assert *message* has an attachment. If not, fail the test.

**Parameters** **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message to test.

**Returns** *message*

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `UnexpectedResponseError`

**assert\_message\_matches** (*message, regex*)

If *message* does not match a regex, fail the test.

**Parameters**

- **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message to test.
- **regex** (*str*) – The regular expression to test *message* against.

**Returns** *message*

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_reaction\_equals** (*contents, emoji*)

Send a message and ensure that the reaction is equal to *emoji*

**Parameters**

- **contents** (*str*) – The content of the trigger message. (A command)
- **emoji** (*discord.Emoji*) – The emoji that the reaction must equal.

**Returns** The resultant reaction object.

**Return type** `discord.Reaction`

**Raises** `ReactionDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_reply\_contains** (*contents, substring*)

Send a message and wait for a response. If the response does not contain the given substring, fail the test.

**Parameters**

- **contents** (*str*) – The content of the trigger message. (A command)
- **substring** (*str*) – The string to test against.

**Returns** The reply.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_reply\_equals** (*contents, matches*)

Send a message and wait for a response. If the response does not match a string exactly, fail the test.

**Parameters**

- **contents** (*str*) – The content of the trigger message. (A command)

- **matches** (*str*) – The string to test against.

**Returns** The reply.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**assert\_reply\_has\_image** (*contents*)

Send a message consisting of *contents* and wait for a reply. Check that the reply contains an attachment. If not, fail the test.

**Parameters** **contents** (*str*) – The content of the trigger message. (A command)

**Returns** The reply.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`, `NoResponseError`

**assert\_reply\_matches** (*contents*, *regex*)

Send a message and wait for a response. If the response does not match a regex, fail the test. Requires a properly formatted Python regex ready to be used in the `re` functions.

**Parameters**

- **contents** (*str*) – The content of the trigger message. (A command)
- **regex** (*str*) – The regular expression to test against.

**Returns** The reply.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** `ResponseDidNotMatchError`

**static edit\_message** (*message*, *new\_content*)

Modify a message.

**Parameters**

- **message** (`discord.Message`) – The target message.
- **new\_content** (*str*) – The text to change *message* to.

**Returns** *message* after modification.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**ensure\_silence** ()

Assert that the bot does not post any messages for some number of seconds.

**Raises** `UnexpectedResponseError`, `TimeoutError`

**send\_message** (*content*)

Send a message to the testing channel.

**Parameters** **content** (*str*) – Text to send in the message

**Returns** The message that was sent

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**wait\_for\_message** ()

Wait for the bot to send a message. If the bot takes longer than 5 seconds (default) the test fails.

**Returns** The message we've been waiting for.

**Return type** `discord.Message`

**Raises** NoResponseError

**wait\_for\_reaction** (*message*)

Assert that *message* is reacted to.

**Parameters** **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message to test with

**Returns** The reaction object.

**Return type** *discord.Reaction*

**Raises** NoReactionError –

**wait\_for\_reply** (*content*)

Send a message and returns the next message that the targeted bot sends.

**Parameters** **content** (*str*) – The text of the trigger message.

**Returns** The message we've been waiting for.

**Return type** *discord.Message*

**Raises** NoResponseError



The following enumeration (subclass of `enum.Enum`) is used to indicate the result of a run test.

**class TestResult**

Specifies the result of a test.

**UNRUN**

Test has not been run in this session

**SUCCESS**

Test succeeded

**FAILED**

Test has failed.



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Contains the discord clients used to run tests.

*DiscordBot* contains the logic for running tests and finding the target bot

*DiscordInteractiveInterface* is a subclass of *DiscordBot* and contains the logic to handle commands sent from discord to run tests, display stats, and more

*DiscordCliInterface* is a subclass of *DiscordInteractiveInterface* and simply contains logic to start the bot when it wakes up

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**class** `distest.bot.DiscordBot` (*target\_name*)

Discord bot used to run tests. This class by itself does not provide any useful methods for human interaction, and is just used as a superclass of the two interfaces, *DiscordInteractiveInterface* and *DiscordCliInterface*

**Parameters** `target_name` (*str*) – The name of the target bot, used to ensure that the target user is actually present in the server. Good for checking for typos or other simple mistakes.

**run\_test** (*test*: *distest.interface.Test*, *channel*: *discord.channel.TextChannel*, *stop\_error=False*) → *distest.interface.TestResult*  
Run a single test in a given channel.

Updates the test with the result and returns it

**Parameters**

- **test** (*Test*) – The *Test* that is to be run
- **channel** (*discord.TextChannel*) – The
- **stop\_error** – Weather or not to stop the program on error. Not currently in use.

**Returns** Result of the test

**Return type** *TestResult*

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**class** `distest.bot.DiscordInteractiveInterface` (*target\_name*, *collector*: *distest.collector.TestCollector*, *timeout=5*)

A variant of the discord bot which commands sent in discord to allow a human to run the tests manually.

Does NOT support CLI arguments

### Parameters

- **target\_name** (*str*) – The name of the bot to target (Username, no discriminator)
- **collector** (*TestCollector*) – The instance of Test Collector that contains the tests to run
- **timeout** (*int*) – The amount of time to wait for responses before failing tests.

**on\_message** (*message*: *discord.message.Message*)

Handle an incoming message, see `discord.event.on_message()` for event reference.

Parse a message, can ignore it or parse the message as a command and run some tests or do one of the alternate functions (stats, list, or help)

**Parameters** **message** (*discord.Message*) – The message being recieved, passed by discord.py

**on\_ready** ()

Report when the bot is ready for use and report the available tests to the console

**run\_tests** (*channel*: *discord.channel.TextChannel*, *name*: *str*)

Helper function for choosing and running an appropriate suite of tests Makes sure only tests that still need to be run are run, also prints to the console when a test is run

### Parameters

- **channel** (*discord.TextChannel*) – The channel in which to run the tests
- **name** (*str*) – Selector string used to determine what category of test to run

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**class** `distest.bot.DiscordCliInterface` (*target\_name*, *collector*, *test*, *channel\_id*, *stats*, *timeout*)

A variant of the discord bot which is designed to be run off command line arguments.

### Parameters

- **target\_name** (*str*) – The name of the bot to target (Username, no discriminator)
- **collector** (*TestCollector*) – The instance of Test Collector that contains the tests to run
- **test** (*str*) – The name of the test option (all, specific test, etc)
- **channel\_id** (*int*) – The ID of the channel to run the bot in
- **stats** (*bool*) – If true, run in hstats mode. TODO: See if this is actually useful

**on\_ready** ()

Run all the tests sequentially when the bot becomes awake and exit when the tests finish. The CLI should run all by itself without prompting, and this allows it to behave that way.

**run** (*token*) → *int*

Override of the default run() that returns failure state after completion. Allows the failure to cascade back up until it is processed into an exit code by `run_command_line_bot()`

**Parameters** **token** (*str*) – The tester bot token

**Returns** Returns 1 if the any test failed, otherwise returns zero.

**Return type** `int`



The TestCollector Class and some supporting code.

Each test function in the tester bot should be decorated with an instance of TestCollector(), and must have a unique name. The TestCollector() is then passed onto the bot, which runs the tests.

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**class** distest.collector.TestCollector

Used to group tests and pass them around all at once.

Tests can be either added with *add* or by using @TestCollector to decorate the function, as seen in the sample code below. Is very similar in function to *Command* from discord.py, which you might already be familiar with.

```
1 @test_collector()
2 async def test_reply_contains(interface):
3     await interface.assert_reply_contains(
4         "Say something containing 'gamer' please!", "gamer"
5     )
6
7
8 @test_collector()
9 async def test_reply_matches(interface):
10    await interface.assert_reply_matches(
11        "Say something matching the regex `[0-9]{1,3}`", r"[0-9]{1,3}"
12    )
13
```

**add** (*function*, *name=None*, *needs\_human=False*)

Adds a test function to the group, if one with that name is not already present

**Parameters**

- **function** (*func*) – The function to add

- **name** (*str*) – The name of the function to add, defaults to the function name but can be overridden with the provided name just like with `discord.ext.commands.Command`. See sample code above.
- **needs\_human** (*bool*) – Optional boolean, true if the test requires a human interaction

**find\_by\_name** (*name*)

Return the test with the given name, return `None` if it does not exist.

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – The name of the test



Stores all the Exceptions that can be called during testing.

Allows for a more through understanding of what went wrong. Not all of these are currently in use.

**class** `distest.exceptions.TestRequirementFailure`

Base class for the special errors that are raised when an expectation is not met during testing

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