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# pytest-qt Documentation

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pytest-qt is a `pytest` plugin that allows programmers to write tests for `PyQt5`, `PyQt6`, `PySide2` and `PySide6` applications. The main usage is to use the `qtbot` fixture, responsible for handling `qApp` creation as needed and provides methods to simulate user interaction, like key presses and mouse clicks:

```
def test_hello(qtbot):
    widget = HelloWorld()
    qtbot.addWidget(widget)

    # click in the Greet button and make sure it updates the appropriate label
    qtbot.mouseClick(widget.button_greet, QtCore.Qt.LeftButton)

    assert widget.greet_label.text() == "Hello!"
```

This allows you to test and make sure your view layer is behaving the way you expect after each code change.

## 1.1 Features

- `qtbot` fixture to simulate user interaction with `Qt` widgets.
- Automatic capture of `QDebug`, `QWarning` and `QCritical` messages;
- `waitSignal` and `waitSignals` functions to block test execution until specific signals are emitted.
- Exceptions in virtual methods and slots are automatically captured and fail tests accordingly.

## 1.2 Requirements

`pytest-qt` requires Python 3.7+.

Works with either [PySide6](#), [PySide2](#), [PyQt6](#) or [PyQt5](#), picking whichever is available on the system, giving preference to the first one installed in this order:

- PySide6
- PySide2
- PyQt6
- PyQt5

To force a particular API, set the configuration variable `qt_api` in your `pytest.ini` file to `pyqt6`, `pyside2`, `pyqt6` or `pyqt5`:

```
[pytest]
qt_api=pyqt5
```

Alternatively, you can set the `PYTEST_QT_API` environment variable to the same values described above (the environment variable wins over the configuration if both are set).

## CHAPTER 2

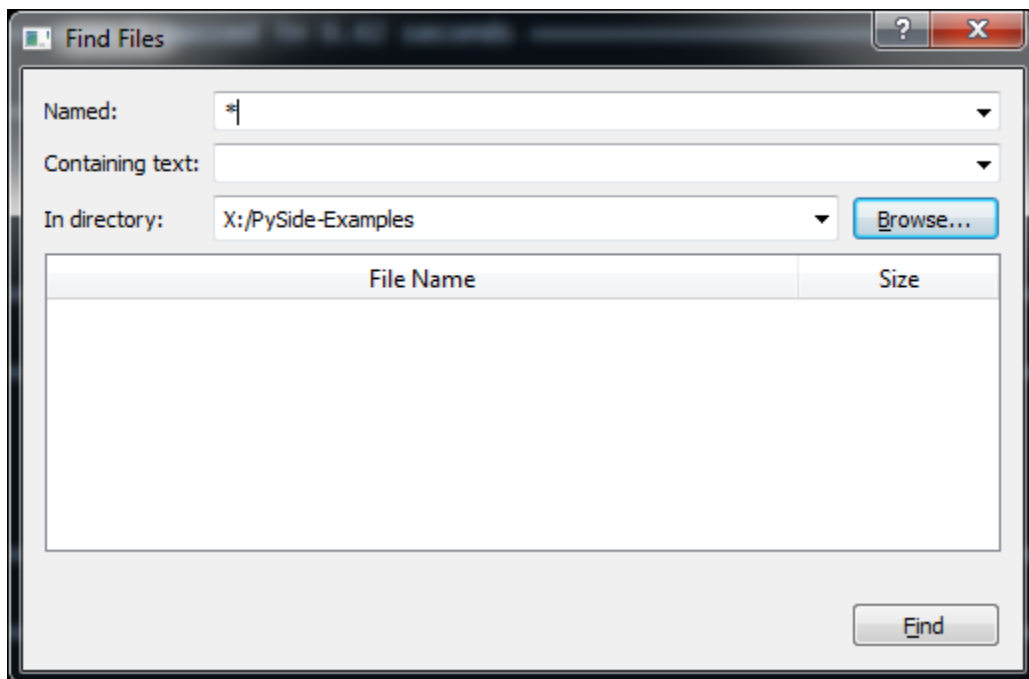
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### Tutorial

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`pytest-qt` registers a new [fixture](#) named `qtbott`, which acts as *bot* in the sense that it can send keyboard and mouse events to any widgets being tested. This way, the programmer can simulate user interaction while checking if GUI controls are behaving in the expected manner.

To illustrate that, consider a widget constructed to allow the user to find files in a given directory inside an application.



It is a very simple dialog, where the user enters a standard file mask, optionally enters file text to search for and a button to browse for the desired directory. Its source code is available [here](#),

To test this widget's basic functionality, create a test function:

```
def test_basic_search(qtbot, tmpdir):  
    '''  
    test to ensure basic find files functionality is working.  
    '''  
    tmpdir.join('video1.avi').ensure()  
    tmpdir.join('video1.srt').ensure()  
  
    tmpdir.join('video2.avi').ensure()  
    tmpdir.join('video2.srt').ensure()
```

Here the first parameter indicates that we will be using a `qtbot` fixture to control our widget. The other parameter is pytest's standard `tmpdir` that we use to create some files that will be used during our test.

Now we create the widget to test and register it:

```
window = Window()  
window.show()  
qtbot.addWidget(window)
```

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**Tip:** Registering widgets is not required, but recommended because it will ensure those widgets get properly closed after each test is done.

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Now we use `qtbot` methods to simulate user interaction with the dialog:

```
window.fileComboBox.clear()  
qtbot.keyClicks(window.fileComboBox, '*.avi')  
  
window.directoryComboBox.clear()  
qtbot.keyClicks(window.directoryComboBox, str(tmpdir))
```

The method `keyClicks` is used to enter text in the editable combo box, selecting the desired mask and directory.

We then simulate a user clicking the button with the `mouseClick` method:

```
qtbot.mouseClick(window.findButton, QtCore.Qt.LeftButton)
```

Once this is done, we inspect the results widget to ensure that it contains the expected files we created earlier:

```
assert window.filesTable.rowCount() == 2  
assert window.filesTable.item(0, 0).text() == 'video1.avi'  
assert window.filesTable.item(1, 0).text() == 'video2.avi'
```

## CHAPTER 3

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### Qt Logging Capture

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New in version 1.4.

Qt features its own logging mechanism through `qInstallMessageHandler` and `qDebug`, `qWarning`, `qCritical` functions. These are used by Qt to print warning messages when internal errors occur.

`pytest-qt` automatically captures these messages and displays them when a test fails, similar to what `pytest` does for `stderr` and `stdout` and the `pytest-catchlog` plugin. For example:

```
from pytestqt.qt_compat import qt_api

def do_something():
    qt_api.qWarning("this is a WARNING message")

def test_foo():
    do_something()
    assert 0
```

```
$ pytest test.py -q
F
===== FAILURES =====
_____ test_types _____

    def test_foo():
        do_something()
>       assert 0
E       assert 0

test.py:8: AssertionError
----- Captured Qt messages -----
QtWarningMsg: this is a WARNING message
1 failed in 0.01 seconds
```

## 3.1 Disabling Logging Capture

Qt logging capture can be disabled altogether by passing the `--no-qt-log` to the command line, which will fallback to the default Qt behavior of printing emitted messages directly to `stderr`:

```
pytest test.py -q --no-qt-log
F
===== FAILURES =====
_____ test_types _____

    def test_foo():
        do_something()
>       assert 0
E       assert 0

test.py:8: AssertionError
----- Captured stderr call -----
this is a WARNING message
```

Using pytest's `-s` (`--capture=no`) option will also disable Qt log capturing.

## 3.2 qtlog fixture

`pytest-qt` also provides a `qtlog` fixture that can be used to check if certain messages were emitted during a test:

```
def do_something():
    qWarning('this is a WARNING message')

def test_foo(qtlog):
    do_something()
    emitted = [(m.type, m.message.strip()) for m in qtlog.records]
    assert emitted == [(QtWarningMsg, 'this is a WARNING message')]
```

`qtlog.records` is a list of `Record` instances.

Logging can also be disabled on a block of code using the `qtlog.disabled()` context manager, or with the `pytest.mark.no_qt_log` mark:

```
def test_foo(qtlog):
    with qtlog.disabled():
        # logging is disabled within the context manager
        do_something()

@pytest.mark.no_qt_log
def test_bar():
    # logging is disabled for the entire test
    do_something()
```

Keep in mind that when logging is disabled, `qtlog.records` will always be an empty list.

### 3.3 Log Formatting

The output format of the messages can also be controlled by using the `--qt-log-format` command line option, which accepts a string with standard `{}` formatting which can make use of attribute interpolation of the record objects:

```
$ pytest test.py --qt-log-format="{rec.when} {rec.type_name}: {rec.message}"
```

Keep in mind that you can make any of the options above the default for your project by using pytest's standard `addopts` option in your `pytest.ini` file:

```
[pytest]
qt_log_format = {rec.when} {rec.type_name}: {rec.message}
```

### 3.4 Automatically failing tests when logging messages are emitted

Printing messages to `stderr` is not the best solution to notice that something might not be working as expected, specially when running in a continuous integration server where errors in logs are rarely noticed.

You can configure `pytest-qt` to automatically fail a test if it emits a message of a certain level or above using the `qt_log_level_fail` ini option:

```
[pytest]
qt_log_level_fail = CRITICAL
```

With this configuration, any test which emits a `CRITICAL` message or above will fail, even if no actual asserts fail within the test:

```
from pytestqt.qt_compat import qCritical

def do_something():
    qCritical("WM_PAINT failed")

def test_foo(qtlog):
    do_something()
```

```
>pytest test.py --color=no -q
F
===== FAILURES =====
_____ test_foo _____
test.py:5: Failure: Qt messages with level CRITICAL or above emitted
----- Captured Qt messages -----
QtCriticalMsg: WM_PAINT failed
```

The possible values for `qt_log_level_fail` are:

- `NO`: disables test failure by log messages.
- `DEBUG`: messages emitted by `qDebug` function or above.
- `WARNING`: messages emitted by `qWarning` function or above.
- `CRITICAL`: messages emitted by `qCritical` function only.

If some failures are known to happen and considered harmless, they can be ignored by using the `qt_log_ignore` ini option, which is a list of regular expressions matched using `re.search`:

```
[pytest]
qt_log_level_fail = CRITICAL
qt_log_ignore =
    WM_DESTROY.*sent
    WM_PAINT failed
```

```
pytest test.py --color=no -q
.
1 passed in 0.01 seconds
```

Messages which do not match any of the regular expressions defined by `qt_log_ignore` make tests fail as usual:

```
def do_something():
    qCritical("WM_PAINT not handled")
    qCritical("QObject: widget destroyed in another thread")

def test_foo(qtlog):
    do_something()
```

```
pytest test.py --color=no -q
F
===== FAILURES =====
_____ test_foo _____
test.py:6: Failure: Qt messages with level CRITICAL or above emitted
----- Captured Qt messages -----
QtCriticalMsg: WM_PAINT not handled (IGNORED)
QtCriticalMsg: QObject: widget destroyed in another thread
```

You can also override the `qt_log_level_fail` setting and extend `qt_log_ignore` patterns from `pytest.ini` in some tests by using a mark with the same name:

```
def do_something():
    qCritical("WM_PAINT not handled")
    qCritical("QObject: widget destroyed in another thread")

@pytest.mark.qt_log_level_fail("CRITICAL")
@pytest.mark.qt_log_ignore("WM_DESTROY.*sent", "WM_PAINT failed")
def test_foo(qtlog):
    do_something()
```

If you would like to override the list of ignored patterns instead, pass `extend=False` to the `qt_log_ignore` mark:

```
@pytest.mark.qt_log_ignore("WM_DESTROY.*sent", extend=False)
def test_foo(qtlog):
    do_something()
```



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### waitSignal: Waiting for threads, processes, etc.

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New in version 1.2.

If your program has long running computations running in other threads or processes, you can use `qtboto.waitSignal` to block a test until a signal is emitted (such as `QThread.finished`) or a timeout is reached. This makes it easy to write tests that wait until a computation running in another thread or process is completed before ensuring the results are correct:

```
def test_long_computation(qtbot):
    app = Application()

    # Watch for the app.worker.finished signal, then start the worker.
    with qtbot.waitSignal(app.worker.finished, timeout=10000) as blocker:
        blocker.connect(app.worker.failed) # Can add other signals to blocker
        app.worker.start()
        # Test will block at this point until either the "finished" or the
        # "failed" signal is emitted. If 10 seconds passed without a signal,
        # qtbot.TimeoutError will be raised.

    assert_application_results(app)
```

### 4.1 raising parameter

New in version 1.4.

Changed in version 2.0.

You can pass `raising=False` to avoid raising a `qtbot.TimeoutError` if the timeout is reached before the signal is triggered:

```
def test_long_computation(qtbot):
    ...
    with qtbot.waitSignal(app.worker.finished, raising=False) as blocker:
```

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```
app.worker.start()

assert_application_results(app)

# qtbot.TimeoutError is not raised, but you can still manually
# check whether the signal was triggered:
assert blocker.signal_triggered, "process timed-out"
```

## 4.2 qt\_default\_raising ini option

New in version 1.11.

Changed in version 2.0.

Changed in version 3.1.

The `qt_default_raising` ini option can be used to override the default value of the `raising` parameter of the `qtbot.waitSignal` and `qtbot.waitSignals` functions when omitted:

```
[pytest]
qt_default_raising = false
```

Calls which explicitly pass the `raising` parameter are not affected.

## 4.3 check\_params\_cb parameter

New in version 2.0.

If the signal has parameters you want to compare with expected values, you can pass `check_params_cb=some_callable` that compares the provided signal parameters to some expected parameters. It has to match the signature of signal (just like a slot function would) and return `True` if parameters match, `False` otherwise.

```
def test_status_100(status):
    """Return true if status has reached 100%."""
    return status == 100

def test_status_complete(qtbot):
    app = Application()

    # the following raises if the worker's status signal (which has an int parameter) _
    ↳ wasn't raised
    # with value=100 within the default timeout
    with qtbot.waitSignal(
        app.worker.status, raising=True, check_params_cb=test_status_100
    ) as blocker:
        app.worker.start()
```

## 4.4 timeout parameter

The `timeout` parameter specifies how long `waitSignal` should wait for a signal to arrive. If the timeout is `None`, there won't be any timeout, i.e. it'll wait indefinitely.

If the timeout is set to 0, it's expected that the signal arrives directly in the code inside the `with qtbot.waitSignal(...):` block.

## 4.5 Getting arguments of the emitted signal

New in version 1.10.

The arguments emitted with the signal are available as the `args` attribute of the blocker:

```
def test_signal(qtbot):
    ...
    with qtbot.waitSignal(app.got_cmd) as blocker:
        app.listen()
    assert blocker.args == ["test"]
```

Signals without arguments will set `args` to an empty list. If the time out is reached instead, `args` will be `None`.

### 4.5.1 Getting all arguments of non-matching arguments

New in version 2.1.

When using the `check_params_cb` parameter, it may happen that the provided signal is received multiple times with different parameter values, which may or may not match the requirements of the callback. `all_args` then contains the list of signal parameters (as tuple) in the order they were received.

## 4.6 waitSignals

New in version 1.4.

If you have to wait until **all** signals in a list are triggered, use `qtbot.waitSignals`, which receives a list of signals instead of a single signal. As with `qtbot.waitSignal`, it also supports the `raising` parameter:

```
def test_workers(qtbot):
    workers = spawn_workers()
    with qtbot.waitSignals([w.finished for w in workers]):
        for w in workers:
            w.start()

    # this will be reached after all workers emit their "finished"
    # signal or a qtbot.TimeoutError will be raised
    assert_application_results(app)
```

### 4.6.1 check\_params\_cbs parameter

New in version 2.0.

Corresponding to the `check_params_cb` parameter of `waitSignal` you can use the `check_params_cbs` parameter to check whether one or more of the provided signals are emitted with expected parameters. Provide a list of callables, each matching the signature of the corresponding signal in `signals` (just like a slot function would). Like for `waitSignal`, each callable has to return `True` if parameters match, `False` otherwise. Instead of a specific callable, `None` can be provided, to disable parameter checking for the corresponding signal. If the number of callbacks doesn't match the number of signals `ValueError` will be raised.

The following example shows that the `app.worker.status` signal has to be emitted with values 50 and 100, and the `app.worker.finished` signal has to be emitted too (for which no signal parameter evaluation takes place).

```
def test_status_100(status):
    """Return true if status has reached 100%."""
    return status == 100

def test_status_50(status):
    """Return true if status has reached 50%."""
    return status == 50

def test_status_complete(qtbot):
    app = Application()

    signals = [app.worker.status, app.worker.status, app.worker.finished]
    callbacks = [test_status_50, test_status_100, None]
    with qtbot.waitSignals(
        signals, raising=True, check_params_cbs=callbacks
    ) as blocker:
        app.worker.start()
```

## 4.6.2 order parameter

New in version 2.0.

By default a test using `qtbot.waitSignals` completes successfully if *all* signals in `signals` are emitted, irrespective of their exact order. The `order` parameter can be set to `"strict"` to enforce strict signal order. Exemplary, this means that `blocker.signal_triggered` will be `False` if `waitSignals` expects the signals `[a, b]` but the sender emitted signals `[a, a, b]`.

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**Note:** The tested component can still emit signals unknown to the blocker. E.g. `blocker.waitSignals([a, b], raising=True, order="strict")` won't raise if the signal-sender emits signals `[a, c, b]`, as `c` is not part of the observed signals.

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A third option is to set `order="simple"` which is like "strict", but signals may be emitted in-between the provided ones, e.g. if the expected signals are `[a, b, c]` and the sender actually emits `[a, a, b, a, c]`, the test completes successfully (it would fail with `order="strict"`).

## 4.6.3 Getting emitted signals and arguments

New in version 2.1.

To determine which of the expected signals were emitted during a `wait()` you can use `blocker.all_signals_and_args` which contains a list of `wait_signal.SignalAndArgs` objects, indicating the signals (and their arguments) in the order they were received.

## 4.7 Making sure a given signal is not emitted

New in version 1.11.

If you want to ensure a signal is **not** emitted in a given block of code, use the `qtboto.assertNotEmitted` context manager:

```
def test_no_error(qtbot):
    ...
    with qtbot.assertNotEmitted(app.worker.error):
        app.worker.start()
```

By default, this only catches signals emitted directly inside the block. You can pass `wait=...` to wait for a given duration (in milliseconds) for asynchronous signals to (not) arrive:

```
def test_no_error(qtbot):
    ...
    with qtbot.assertNotEmitted(page.loadFinished, wait=100):
        page.runJavaScript("document.getElementById('not-a-link').click()")
```



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## waitUntil: Waiting for arbitrary conditions

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New in version 2.0.

Sometimes your tests need to wait a certain condition which does not trigger a signal, for example that a certain control gained focus or a `QListView` has been populated with all items.

For those situations you can use `qtbott.waitUntil` to wait until a certain condition has been met or a timeout is reached. This is specially important in X window systems due to their asynchronous nature, where you can't rely on the fact that the result of an action will be immediately available.

For example:

```
def test_validate(qtbot):
    window = MyWindow()
    window.edit.setText("not a number")
    # after focusing, should update status label
    window.edit.setFocus()
    assert window.status.text() == "Please input a number"
```

The `window.edit.setFocus()` may not be processed immediately, only in a future event loop, which might lead to this test to work sometimes and fail in others (a *flaky* test).

A better approach in situations like this is to use `qtbott.waitUntil` with a callback with your assertion:

```
def test_validate(qtbot):
    window = MyWindow()
    window.edit.setText("not a number")
    # after focusing, should update status label
    window.edit.setFocus()

    def check_label():
        assert window.status.text() == "Please input a number"

    qtbot.waitUntil(check_label)
```

`qtbott.waitUntil` will periodically call `check_label` until it no longer raises `AssertionError` or a timeout is reached. If a timeout is reached, a `qtbott.TimeoutError` is raised from the last assertion error and the test will

fail:

```

- - - - -
def check_label():
>     assert window.status.text() == "Please input a number"
E     AssertionError: assert 'OK' == 'Please input a number'
E         - OK
E         + Please input a number
- - - - -
>     qtbot.waitUntil(check_label)
E     pytestqt.exceptions.TimeoutError: waitUntil timed out in 1000 milliseconds

```

A second way to use `qtbot.waitUntil` is to pass a callback which returns `True` when the condition is met or `False` otherwise. It is usually terser than using a separate callback with `assert` statement, but it produces a generic message when it fails because it can't make use of `pytest`'s assertion rewriting:

```

def test_validate(qtbot):
    window = MyWindow()
    window.edit.setText("not a number")
    # after focusing, should update status label
    window.edit.setFocus()
    qtbot.waitUntil(lambda: window.edit.hasFocus())
    assert window.status.text() == "Please input a number"

```



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### waitCallback: Waiting for methods taking a callback

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New in version 3.1.

Some methods in Qt (especially `QtWebEngine`) take a callback as argument, which gets called by Qt once a given operation is done.

To test such code, you can use `qtbtest.waitCallback` which waits until the callback has been called or a timeout is reached.

The `qtbtest.waitCallback()` method returns a callback which is callable directly.

For example:

```
def test_js(qtbtest):
    page = QtWebEnginePage()
    with qtbtest.waitCallback() as cb:
        page.runJavaScript("1 + 1", cb)
    cb.assert_called_with(2)  # result of the last js statement
```

Anything following the `with` block will be run only after the callback has been called.

If the callback doesn't get called during the given timeout, `qtbtest.TimeoutError` is raised. If it is called more than once, `qtbtest.CallbackCalledTwiceError` is raised.

### 6.1 raising parameter

Similarly to `qtbtest.waitSignal`, you can pass a `raising=False` parameter (or set the `qt_default_raising` ini option) to avoid raising an exception on timeouts. See *waitSignal: Waiting for threads, processes, etc.* for details.

## 6.2 Getting arguments the callback was called with

After the callback is called, the arguments and keyword arguments passed to it are available via `.args` (as a list) and `.kwargs` (as a dict), respectively.

In the example above, we could check the result via:

```
assert cb.args == [2]
assert cb.kwargs == {}
```

Instead of checking the arguments by hand, you can use `.assert_called_with()` to make sure the callback was called with the given arguments:

```
cb.assert_called_with(2)
```

## CHAPTER 7

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### Exceptions in virtual methods

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New in version 1.1.

It is common in Qt programming to override virtual C++ methods to customize behavior, like listening for mouse events, implement drawing routines, etc.

Fortunately, all Python bindings for Qt support overriding these virtual methods naturally in your Python code:

```
class MyWidget(QWidget):  
  
    # mouseReleaseEvent  
    def mouseReleaseEvent(self, ev):  
        print('mouse released at: %s' % ev.pos())
```

In PyQt5 and PyQt6, exceptions in virtual methods will by default call abort(), which will crash the interpreter. All other Qt wrappers will print the exception stacktrace and return a default value back to C++/Qt (if a return value is required).

This might be surprising for Python users which are used to exceptions being raised at the calling point: For example, the following code will just print a stack trace without raising any exception:

```
class MyWidget(QWidget):  
  
    def mouseReleaseEvent(self, ev):  
        raise RuntimeError('unexpected error')  
  
w = MyWidget()  
QTest.mouseClick(w, QtCore.Qt.LeftButton)
```

To make testing Qt code less surprising, pytest-qt automatically installs an exception hook which captures errors and fails tests when exceptions are raised inside virtual methods, like this:

```
E           Failed: Qt exceptions in virtual methods:  
E           _____  
↪ _____  
E           File "x:\pytest-qt\pytestqt\_tests\test_exceptions.py", line 14, in_  
↪ event                                                                    (continues on next page)
```

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```
E         raise RuntimeError('unexpected error')
E
E     RuntimeError: unexpected error
```

## 7.1 Disabling the automatic exception hook

You can disable the automatic exception hook on individual tests by using a `qt_no_exception_capture` marker:

```
@pytest.mark.qt_no_exception_capture
def test_buttons(qtbot):
    ...
```

Or even disable it for your entire project in your `pytest.ini` file:

```
[pytest]
qt_no_exception_capture = 1
```

This might be desirable if you plan to install a custom exception hook.

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**Note:** Starting with PyQt 5.5, exceptions raised during virtual methods will actually trigger an `abort()`, crashing the Python interpreter. For this reason, disabling exception capture in PyQt 5.5+ and PyQt 6 is not recommended unless you install your own exception hook.

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## CHAPTER 8

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### Model Tester

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New in version 2.0.

`pytest-qt` includes a fixture that helps testing `QAbstractItemModel` implementations. The implementation is copied from the C++ code as described on the [Qt Wiki](#), and it continuously checks a model as it changes, helping to verify the state and catching many common errors the moment they show up.

Some of the conditions caught include:

- Verifying `X` number of rows have been inserted in the correct place after the signal `rowsAboutToBeInserted()` says `X` rows will be inserted.
- The parent of the first index of the first row is a `QModelIndex()`
- Calling `index()` twice in a row with the same values will return the same `QModelIndex`
- If `rowCount()` says there are `X` number of rows, model test will verify that is true.
- Many possible off by one bugs
- `hasChildren()` returns true if `rowCount()` is greater than zero.
- and many more...

To use it, create an instance of your model implementation, fill it with some items and call `qtmodeltester.check()`:

```
def test_standard_item_model(qtmodeltester):
    model = QStandardItemModel()
    items = [QStandardItem(str(i)) for i in range(4)]
    model.setItem(0, 0, items[0])
    model.setItem(0, 1, items[1])
    model.setItem(1, 0, items[2])
    model.setItem(1, 1, items[3])
    qtmodeltester.check(model)
```

If the tester finds a problem the test will fail with an assert pinpointing the issue.

## 8.1 Qt/Python tester

Starting with PyQt5 5.11, Qt's `QAbstractItemModelTester` is exposed to Python.

If it's available, by default, `qtmodeltester.check` will use the C++ implementation and fail tests if it emits any warnings.

To use the Python implementation instead, use `qtmodeltester.check(model, force_py=True)`.

## 8.2 Credits

The source code was ported from `qabstractitemmodeltester.cpp` by [Florian Bruhin](#), many thanks!

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## Testing QApplication

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If your tests need access to a full `QApplication` instance to e.g. test exit behavior or custom application classes, you can use the techniques described below:

### 9.1 Testing `QApplication.exit()`

Some `pytest-qt` features, most notably `waitSignal` and `waitSignals`, depend on the Qt event loop being active. Calling `QApplication.exit()` from a test will cause the main event loop and auxiliary event loops to exit and all subsequent event loops to fail to start. This is a problem if some of your tests call an application functionality that calls `QApplication.exit()`.

One solution is to *monkeypatch* `QApplication.exit()` in such tests to ensure it was called by the application code but without effectively calling it.

For example:

```
def test_exit_button(qtbot, monkeypatch):
    exit_calls = []
    monkeypatch.setattr(QApplication, "exit", lambda: exit_calls.append(1))
    button = get_app_exit_button()
    qtbot.click(button)
    assert exit_calls == [1]
```

Or using the `mock` package:

```
def test_exit_button(qtbot):
    with mock.patch.object(QApplication, "exit"):
        button = get_app_exit_button()
        qtbot.click(button)
        assert QApplication.exit.call_count == 1
```

## 9.2 Testing Custom QApplication

It's possible to test custom `QApplication` classes, but you need to be careful to avoid multiple app instances in the same test. Assuming one defines a custom application like below:

```
from pytestqt.qt_compat import qt_api

class CustomQApplication(qt_api.QtWidgets.QApplication):
    def __init__(self, *argv):
        super().__init__(*argv)
        self.custom_attr = "xxx"

    def custom_function(self):
        pass
```

If your tests require access to app-level functions, like `CustomQApplication.custom_function()`, you can override the built-in `qapp_cls` fixture in your `conftest.py` to return your custom class:

```
@pytest.fixture(scope="session")
def qapp_cls():
    return CustomQApplication
```

The `qapp` fixture will then use the returned class instead of the default `QApplication` from `QtWidgets`.

## 9.3 Setting a QApplication name

By default, `pytest-qt` sets the `QApplication.applicationName()` to `pytest-qt-qapp`. To use a custom name, you can set the `qt_qapp_name` option in `pytest.ini`:

```
[pytest]
qt_qapp_name = frobnicate-tests
```



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## A note about Modal Dialogs

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### 10.1 Simple Dialogs

For `QMessageBox.question` one approach is to mock the function using the `monkeypatch` fixture:

```
def test_Qt(qtbot, monkeypatch):
    simple = Simple()
    qtbot.addWidget(simple)

    monkeypatch.setattr(QMessageBox, "question", lambda *args: QMessageBox.Yes)
    simple.query()
    assert simple.answer
```

### 10.2 Custom Dialogs

Suppose you have a custom dialog that asks the user for their name and age, and a form that uses it. One approach is to add a convenience function that also has the nice benefit of making testing easier, like this:

```
class AskNameAndAgeDialog(QDialog):
    @classmethod
    def ask(cls, text, parent):
        dialog = cls(parent)
        dialog.text.setText(text)
        if dialog.exec_() == QDialog.Accepted:
            return dialog.getName(), dialog.getAge()
        else:
            return None, None
```

This allows clients of the dialog to use it this way:

```
name, age = AskNameAndAgeDialog.ask("Enter name and age because of bananas:", parent)
if name is not None:
    # use name and age for bananas
    ...
```

And now it is also easy to mock `AskNameAndAgeDialog.ask` when testing the form:

```
def test_form_registration(qtbot, monkeypatch):
    form = RegistrationForm()

    monkeypatch.setattr(
        AskNameAndAgeDialog, "ask", classmethod(lambda *args: ("Jonh", 30))
    )
    qtbot.click(form.enter_info())
    # calls AskNameAndAgeDialog.ask
    # test that the rest of the form correctly behaves as if
    # user entered "Jonh" and 30 as name and age
```

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## Debugging failing tests

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When a GUI-related test fails, it can sometimes be hard to find out where the culprit lies. To aid with debugging such tests, the `qtbott` fixture allows to stop the current test and to take screenshots of widgets.

### 11.1 Stopping the current test

By calling `pytestqt.qtbott.QtBot.stop()`, the current test gets interrupted. After closing all visible windows, `qtbott` attempts to restore the previous state and the test continues to run.

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**Note:** If you use Xvfb or the `offscreen` platform plugin (e.g. via `QT_QPA_PLATFORM=offscreen`), remember to disable those to see the windows. With the `pytest-xvfb` plugin, this is possible by passing `--no-xvfb` to `pytest`.

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### 11.2 Taking screenshots

New in version 4.1.

Via `pytestqt.qtbott.QtBot.screenshot()`, a screenshot of a given widget can be taken. That screenshot is then saved into a temporary directory provided by `pytest`. For example, this test:

```
from pytestqt.qt_compat import qt_api

def test_screenshot(qtbott):
    button = qt_api.QtWidgets.QPushButton()
    button.setText("Hello World!")
    qtbott.add_widget(button)
    path = qtbott.screenshot(button)
    assert False, path # show the path and fail the test
```

would result in the following file at a location like `/tmp/pytest-of-USER/pytest-N/test_screenshot0/screenshot_QPushButton.png`:

A small rectangular button with a light gray background and a thin border. The text "Hello World!" is centered on the button in a black, sans-serif font.

The filename is generated based on the following parts:

- `screenshot`
- The class of the widget (e.g. `QWidget` or `QPushButton`)
- The widget's `objectName()`, if set
- The given `suffix`, if passed
- A counter to make the filename unique, if another screenshot already exists

### 12.1 tox: InvocationError without further information

It might happen that your `tox` run finishes abruptly without any useful information, e.g.:

```
ERROR: InvocationError:
'/path/to/project/.tox/py36/bin/python setup.py test --addopts --doctest-modules'
____ summary ____
ERROR: py36: commands failed
```

`pytest-qt` needs a `DISPLAY` to run, otherwise `Qt` calls `abort()` and the process crashes immediately.

One solution is to use the `pytest-xvfb` plugin which takes care of the grifty details automatically, starting up a virtual framebuffer service, initializing variables, etc. This is the recommended solution if you are running in CI servers without a GUI, for example in Travis or CircleCI.

Alternatively, `tox` users may edit `tox.ini` to allow the relevant variables to be passed to the underlying `pytest` invocation:

```
[testenv]
passenv = DISPLAY XAUTHORITY
```

Note that this solution will only work in boxes with a GUI.

More details can be found in [issue #170](#).

### 12.2 xvfb: AssertionError, TimeoutError when using waitUntil, waitExposed and UI events.

When using `xvfb` or equivalent make sure to have a window manager running otherwise UI events will not work properly.

If you are running your code on Travis-CI make sure that your `.travis.yml` has the following content:

```

sudo: required

before_install:
- sudo apt-get update
- sudo apt-get install -y xvfb herbstluftwm

install:
- "export DISPLAY=:99.0"
- "/sbin/start-stop-daemon --start --quiet --pidfile /tmp/custom_xvfb_99.pid --make-
↳pidfile --background --exec /usr/bin/Xvfb -- :99 -screen 0 1920x1200x24 -ac
↳+extension GLX +render -noreset"
- sleep 3

before_script:
- "herbstluftwm &"
- sleep 1

```

More details can be found in [issue #206](#).

## 12.3 GitHub Actions

When using ubuntu-latest on Github Actions, the package libxkbcommon-x11-0 has to be installed, DISPLAY should be set and xvfb run. More details can be found in [issue #293](#).

Since Qt in version 5.15 xcb libraries are not distributed with Qt so this library in version at least 1.11 on runner. See more in <https://codereview.qt-project.org/qt/qtbase/+253905>

For Github Actions, Azure pipelines and Travis-CI you will need to install libxcb-icc4 libxcb-image0 libxcb-keysyms1 libxcb-randr0 libxcb-render-util0 libxcb-xinerama0 libxcb-xf86vm0 x11-utils

As an example, here is a working config :

```

name: my qt ci in github actions
on: [push, pull_request]
jobs:
  Linux:
    runs-on: ${{ matrix.os }}
    strategy:
      matrix:
        os : [ubuntu-latest]
        python: ["3.10"]
    env:
      DISPLAY: ':99.0'
    steps:
- name: get repo
  uses: actions/checkout@v3
- name: Set up Python
  uses: actions/setup-python@v4
  with:
    python-version: ${{ matrix.python }}
- name: setup ${{ matrix.os }}
  run: |
    sudo apt install libxkbcommon-x11-0 libxcb-icc4 libxcb-image0 libxcb-
↳keysyms1 libxcb-randr0 libxcb-render-util0 libxcb-xinerama0 libxcb-xf86vm0 x11-utils
    /sbin/start-stop-daemon --start --quiet --pidfile /tmp/custom_xvfb_99.pid --
↳make-pidfile --background --exec /usr/bin/Xvfb -- :99 -screen 0 1920x1200x24 -ac
↳+extension GLX

```

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### 12.3.1 `tlambert03/setup-qt-libs`

Instead manually curate list of used packages you may use `tlambert03/setup-qt-libs` github action: <https://github.com/tlambert03/setup-qt-libs>

### 12.3.2 `pytest-xvfb`

Instead of running Xvfb manually it is possible to use `pytest-xvfb` plugin.

### 12.3.3 Using with other Qt-related packages

Using Python's Qt modules (`PySide` or `PyQt5`) with other packages which use Qt (e.g. `cv2`) can result in conflicts. This is because the latter builds their own Qt and modify Qt-related environment variables. This may not raise errors in your local app, but running the tests on CI servers can fail.

In this case, try use the package without Qt dependency. For example, if your code does not rely on `cv2`'s Qt feature you can use `opencv-python-headless` instead of full `opencv-python`.

More details can be found in [issue #396](#).





## 13.1 QtBot

**class** `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot` (*request*)

Instances of this class are responsible for sending events to *Qt* objects (usually widgets), simulating user input.

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**Important:** Instances of this class should be accessed only by using a `qtbot` fixture, never instantiated directly.

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### Widgets

**addWidget** (*widget*, \*, *before\_close\_func=None*)

Adds a widget to be tracked by this bot. This is not required, but will ensure that the widget gets closed by the end of the test, so it is highly recommended.

#### Parameters

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – Widget to keep track of.
- **before\_close\_func** – A function that receives the widget as single parameter, which is called just before the `.close()` method gets called.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `add_widget` (pep-8 alias)

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**captureExceptions** ()

New in version 2.1.

Context manager that captures Qt virtual method exceptions that happen in block inside context.

```
with qtbot.capture_exceptions() as exceptions:
    qtbot.click(button)
```

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```
# exception is a list of sys.exc_info tuples
assert len(exception) == 1
```

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `capture_exceptions` (pep-8 alias)

---

**waitActive** (*widget*, \*, *timeout=5000*)

Context manager that waits for `timeout` milliseconds or until the window is active. If window is not exposed within `timeout` milliseconds, raise `qtboto.TimeoutError`

This is mainly useful for asynchronous systems like X11, where a window will be mapped to screen some time after being asked to show itself on the screen.

```
with qtboto.waitActive(widget, timeout=500):
    show_action()
```

#### Parameters

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – Widget to wait for.
- **timeout** (*int* / *None*) – How many milliseconds to wait for.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_active` (pep-8 alias)

---

**waitExposed** (*widget*, \*, *timeout=5000*)

Context manager that waits for `timeout` milliseconds or until the window is exposed. If the window is not exposed within `timeout` milliseconds, raise `qtboto.TimeoutError`

This is mainly useful for asynchronous systems like X11, where a window will be mapped to screen some time after being asked to show itself on the screen.

```
with qtboto.waitExposed(splash, timeout=500):
    startup()
```

#### Parameters

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – Widget to wait for.
- **timeout** (*int* / *None*) – How many milliseconds to wait for.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_exposed` (pep-8 alias)

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**waitForWindowShown** (*widget*)

Waits until the window is shown in the screen. This is mainly useful for asynchronous systems like X11, where a window will be mapped to screen some time after being asked to show itself on the screen.

**Warning:** This method does **not** raise `qtboto.TimeoutError` if the window wasn't shown.

Deprecated since version 4.0: Use the `qtboto.waitExposed` context manager instead.

**Parameters** **widget** (*QWidget*) – Widget to wait on.

**Returns** True if the window was shown, False if `.show()` was never called or a timeout occurred.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_for_window_shown` (pep-8 alias)

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### **stop()**

Stops the current test flow, letting the user interact with any visible widget.

This is mainly useful so that you can verify the current state of the program while writing tests.

Closing the windows should resume the test run, with `qtbott` attempting to restore visibility of the widgets as they were before this call.

### **screenshot** (*widget*, *suffix*="", *region*=None)

New in version 4.1.

Take a screenshot of the given widget and save it.

The file is saved in a test-specific directory using `pytest`'s `tmp_path` fixture. The filename is ensured to be unique using a counter, and contains the `objectName()` of the widget if set, as well as its class name. A custom `suffix` can be given to add to the generated name.

Raises `qtbott.ScreenshotError` if taking the screenshot or saving the file failed.

#### **Parameters**

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – The widget to take a screenshot of.
- **suffix** (*str*) – An optional suffix to add to the filename.
- **region** (*QRect*) – The region of the widget to screenshot. By default, the entire widget is contained.

**Returns** A `pathlib.Path` object with the taken screenshot.

### **wait** (*ms*)

New in version 1.9.

Waits for `ms` milliseconds.

While waiting, events will be processed and your test will stay responsive to user interface events or network communication.

### **Signals and Events**

#### **waitSignal** (*signal*, \*, *timeout*=5000, *raising*=None, *check\_params\_cb*=None)

New in version 1.2.

Stops current test until a signal is triggered.

Used to stop the control flow of a test until a signal is emitted, or a number of milliseconds, specified by `timeout`, has elapsed.

Best used as a context manager:

```
with qtbott.waitSignal(signal, timeout=1000):
    long_function_that_calls_signal()
```

Also, you can use the `SignalBlocker` directly if the context manager form is not convenient:

```
blocker = qtbot.waitSignal(signal, timeout=1000)
blocker.connect(another_signal)
long_function_that_calls_signal()
blocker.wait()
```

Any additional signal, when triggered, will make `wait()` return.

New in version 1.4: The `raising` parameter.

New in version 2.0: The `check_params_cb` parameter.

#### Parameters

- **signal** (*Signal*) – A signal to wait for, or a tuple (`signal`, `signal_name_as_str`) to improve the error message that is part of `qtbot.TimeoutError`.
- **timeout** (*int*) – How many milliseconds to wait before resuming control flow.
- **raising** (*bool*) – If `qtbot.TimeoutError` should be raised if a timeout occurred. This defaults to `True` unless `qt_default_raising = false` is set in the config.
- **check\_params\_cb** (*Callable*) – Optional callable that compares the provided signal parameters to some expected parameters. It has to match the signature of `signal` (just like a slot function would) and return `True` if parameters match, `False` otherwise.

**Returns** `SignalBlocker` object. Call `SignalBlocker.wait()` to wait.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_signal` (pep-8 alias)

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**waitSignals** (*signals*, \*, *timeout=5000*, *raising=None*, *check\_params\_cbs=None*, *order='none'*)

New in version 1.4.

Stops current test until all given signals are triggered.

Used to stop the control flow of a test until all (and only all) signals are emitted or the number of milliseconds specified by `timeout` has elapsed.

Best used as a context manager:

```
with qtbot.waitSignals([signal1, signal2], timeout=1000):
    long_function_that_calls_signals()
```

Also, you can use the `MultiSignalBlocker` directly if the context manager form is not convenient:

```
blocker = qtbot.waitSignals(signals, timeout=1000)
long_function_that_calls_signal()
blocker.wait()
```

#### Parameters

- **signals** (*list*) – A list of `Signal` objects to wait for. Alternatively: a list of (`Signal`, `str`) tuples of the form (`signal`, `signal_name_as_str`) to improve the error message that is part of `qtbot.TimeoutError`.
- **timeout** (*int*) – How many milliseconds to wait before resuming control flow.
- **raising** (*bool*) – If `qtbot.TimeoutError` should be raised if a timeout occurred. This defaults to `True` unless `qt_default_raising = false` is set in the config.

- **check\_params\_cbs** (*list*) – optional list of callables that compare the provided signal parameters to some expected parameters. Each callable has to match the signature of the corresponding signal in `signals` (just like a slot function would) and return `True` if parameters match, `False` otherwise. Instead of a specific callable, `None` can be provided, to disable parameter checking for the corresponding signal. If the number of callbacks doesn't match the number of signals `ValueError` will be raised.
- **order** (*str*) – Determines the order in which to expect signals:
  - "none": no order is enforced
  - "strict": signals have to be emitted strictly in the provided order (e.g. fails when expecting signals `[a, b]` and `[a, a, b]` is emitted)
  - "simple": like "strict", but signals may be emitted in-between the provided ones, e.g. expected signals `== [a, b, c]` and actually emitted signals `= [a, a, b, a, c]` works (would fail with "strict").

**Returns** `MultiSignalBlocker` object. Call `MultiSignalBlocker.wait()` to wait.

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**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_signals` (pep-8 alias)

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**assertNotEmitted** (*signal*, \*, *wait=0*)

New in version 1.11.

Make sure the given `signal` doesn't get emitted.

**Parameters** **wait** (*int*) – How many milliseconds to wait to make sure the signal isn't emitted asynchronously. By default, this method returns immediately and only catches signals emitted inside the `with-block`.

This is intended to be used as a context manager.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `assert_not_emitted` (pep-8 alias)

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**waitUntil** (*callback*, \*, *timeout=5000*)

New in version 2.0.

Wait in a busy loop, calling the given callback periodically until timeout is reached.

`callback()` should raise `AssertionError` to indicate that the desired condition has not yet been reached, or just return `None` when it does. Useful to assert until some condition is satisfied:

```
def view_updated():
    assert view_model.count() > 10

qtbott.waitUntil(view_updated)
```

Another possibility is for `callback()` to return `True` when the desired condition is met, `False` otherwise. Useful specially with `lambda` for terser code, but keep in mind that the error message in those cases is usually not very useful because it is not using an `assert` expression.

```
qtbott.waitUntil(lambda: view_model.count() > 10)
```

Note that this usage only accepts returning actual `True` and `False` values, so returning an empty list to express "falseness" raises a `ValueError`.

**Parameters**

- **callback** – callable that will be called periodically.
- **timeout** – timeout value in ms.

**Raises `ValueError`** – if the return value from the callback is anything other than `None`, `True` or `False`.

---

**Note:** This method is also available as `wait_until` (pep-8 alias)

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**Raw QTest API**

Methods below provide very low level functions, as sending a single mouse click or a key event. Those methods are just forwarded directly to the [QTest API](#). Consult the documentation for more information.

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Below are methods used to simulate sending key events to widgets:

```
static keyClick (widget, key[, modifier=Qt.NoModifier[, delay=-1 ]])  
static keyClicks (widget, key_sequence[, modifier=Qt.NoModifier[, delay=-1 ]])  
static keyEvent (action, widget, key[, modifier=Qt.NoModifier[, delay=-1 ]])  
static keyPress (widget, key[, modifier=Qt.NoModifier[, delay=-1 ]])  
static keyRelease (widget, key[, modifier=Qt.NoModifier[, delay=-1 ]])
```

Sends one or more keyboard events to a widget.

**Parameters**

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – the widget that will receive the event
- **key** (*str* | *int*) – key to send, it can be either a `Qt.Key_*` constant or a single character string.

**Parameters**

- **modifier** (*Qt.KeyboardModifier*) – flags OR’ed together representing other modifier keys also pressed. Possible flags are:
  - `Qt.NoModifier`: No modifier key is pressed.
  - `Qt.ShiftModifier`: A Shift key on the keyboard is pressed.
  - `Qt.ControlModifier`: A Ctrl key on the keyboard is pressed.
  - `Qt.AltModifier`: An Alt key on the keyboard is pressed.
  - `Qt.MetaModifier`: A Meta key on the keyboard is pressed.
  - `Qt.KeypadModifier`: A keypad button is pressed.
  - `Qt.GroupSwitchModifier`: X11 only. A Mode\_switch key on the keyboard is pressed.
- **delay** (*int*) – after the event, delay the test for this milliseconds (if > 0).

**static keyToAscii** (*key*)

Auxiliary method that converts the given constant to its equivalent ascii.

**Parameters** **key** (*Qt.Key\_\**) – one of the constants for keys in the Qt namespace.

**Return type** str

**Returns** the equivalent character string.

---

**Note:** This method is not available in PyQt.

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Below are methods used to simulate sending mouse events to widgets.

```
static mouseClicked (widget, button[, stateKey=0[, pos=QPoint()[, delay=-1 ]]])
static mouseDClick (widget, button[, stateKey=0[, pos=QPoint()[, delay=-1 ]]])
static mouseMove (widget[, pos=QPoint()[, delay=-1 ]])
static mousePress (widget, button[, stateKey=0[, pos=QPoint()[, delay=-1 ]]])
static mouseRelease (widget, button[, stateKey=0[, pos=QPoint()[, delay=-1 ]]])
```

Sends a mouse moves and clicks to a widget.

#### Parameters

- **widget** (*QWidget*) – the widget that will receive the event
- **button** (*Qt.MouseButton*) – flags OR’ed together representing the button pressed. Possible flags are:
  - *Qt.MouseButton.NoButton*: The button state does not refer to any button (see *QMouseEvent.button()*).
  - *Qt.MouseButton.LeftButton*: The left button is pressed, or an event refers to the left button. (The left button may be the right button on left-handed mice.)
  - *Qt.MouseButton.RightButton*: The right button.
  - *Qt.MouseButton.MidButton*: The middle button.
  - *Qt.MouseButton.MiddleButton*: The middle button.
  - *Qt.MouseButton.XButton1*: The first X button.
  - *Qt.MouseButton.XButton2*: The second X button.
- **modifier** (*Qt.KeyboardModifier*) – flags OR’ed together representing other modifier keys also pressed. See [keyboard modifiers](#).
- **position** (*QPoint*) – position of the mouse pointer.
- **delay** (*int*) – after the event, delay the test for this milliseconds (if > 0).

## 13.2 TimeoutError

**class** `pytestqt.qtbots.TimeoutError`

New in version 2.1.

Exception thrown by `pytestqt.qtbots.QtBot` methods.

Access via `qtbots.TimeoutError`.

## 13.3 ScreenshotError

**class** `pytestqt.qtbot.ScreenshotError`

New in version 4.1.

Exception thrown by `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.screenshot()` if taking the screenshot failed.

Changed in version 4.2: Access via `qtbot.ScreenshotError`.

## 13.4 SignalEmittedError

**class** `pytestqt.qtbot.SignalEmittedError`

New in version 1.11.

The exception thrown by `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.assertNotEmitted()` if a signal was emitted unexpectedly.

## 13.5 CallbackCalledTwiceError

**class** `pytestqt.qtbot.CallbackCalledTwiceError`

New in version 3.1.

The exception thrown by `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.waitCallback()` if a callback was called twice.

## 13.6 SignalBlocker

**class** `pytestqt.wait_signal.SignalBlocker` (*timeout=5000*, *raising=True*,  
*check\_params\_cb=None*)

Returned by `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.waitSignal()` method.

### Variables

- **timeout** (*int*) – maximum time to wait for a signal to be triggered. Can be changed before `wait()` is called.
- **signal\_triggered** (*bool*) – set to `True` if a signal (or all signals in case of `MultipleSignalBlocker`) was triggered, or `False` if timeout was reached instead. Until `wait()` is called, this is set to `None`.
- **raising** (*bool*) – If `qtbot.TimeoutError` should be raised if a timeout occurred.

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**Note:** contrary to the parameter of same name in `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.waitSignal()`, this parameter does not consider the `qt_default_raising` ini option.

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- **args** (*list*) – The arguments which were emitted by the signal, or `None` if the signal wasn't emitted at all.

New in version 1.10: The *args* attribute.

**wait()**

Waits until either a connected signal is triggered or timeout is reached.



**Raises `ValueError`** – if no signals are connected and timeout is None; in this case it would wait forever.

**`connect (signal)`**

Connects to the given signal, making `wait ()` return once this signal is emitted.

More than one signal can be connected, in which case **any** one of them will make `wait ()` return.

**Parameters `signal`** – `QtCore.Signal` or tuple (`QtCore.Signal`, str)

## 13.7 MultiSignalBlocker

**class** `pytestqt.wait_signal.MultiSignalBlocker (timeout=5000, raising=True, check_params_cbs=None, order='none')`

Returned by `pytestqt.qtbot.QtBot.waitSignals ()` method, blocks until all signals connected to it are triggered or the timeout is reached.

**Variables identical to `SignalBlocker`:**

- `timeout`
- `signal_triggered`
- `raising`

**`wait ()`**

Waits until either a connected signal is triggered or timeout is reached.

**Raises `ValueError`** – if no signals are connected and timeout is None; in this case it would wait forever.

## 13.8 Record

**class** `pytestqt.logging.Record (msg_type, message, ignored, context)`

Hold information about a message sent by one of Qt log functions.

**Variables**

- **`message (str)`** – message contents.
- **`type (Qt.QtMsgType)`** – enum that identifies message type
- **`type_name (str)`** – type as string: "QtInfoMsg", "QtDebugMsg", "QtWarningMsg" or "QtCriticalMsg".
- **`log_type_name (str)`** – type name similar to the logging package: INFO, DEBUG, WARNING and CRITICAL.
- **`when (datetime.datetime)`** – when the message was captured
- **`ignored (bool)`** – If this record matches a regex from the "qt\_log\_ignore" option.
- **`context`** – a namedtuple containing the attributes file, function, line. Can be None if no context is available for the message.

## 13.9 qapp fixture

`pytestqt.plugin.qapp(qapp_args, qapp_cls, pytestconfig)`

Fixture that instantiates the `QApplication` instance that will be used by the tests.

You can use the `qapp` fixture in tests which require a `QApplication` to run, but where you don't need full `qtb` functionality.

`pytestqt.plugin.qapp_args()`

Fixture that provides `QApplication` arguments to use.

You can override this fixture to pass different arguments to `QApplication`:

```
@pytest.fixture(scope="session")
def qapp_args():
    return ["--arg"]
```

### 14.1 4.2.0 (2022-10-25)

- Import the `code` sub-package from the correct location rather than the deprecated `py` package, restoring compatibility with `pytest 7.2.0`, where `py` was dropped. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- Use `pytest.hookimpl` to configure hooks, avoiding a deprecation warning in `pytest 7.2.0`. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- Now `pytest-qt` will check if any of the Qt libraries is already imported by the time the plugin loads, and use it if that is the case ([#412](#)). Thanks [@eyllanesc](#) for the PR.
- Most custom `pytest-qt` exceptions can be accessed via `qtbott` (for example `qtbott.TimeoutError`), but it was not always explicit in the documentation that this is the recommended way to access those exceptions, instead of importing them from `pytestqt.exceptions`. This is now clarified in the documentation and examples, and an alias to `ScreenshotError` has been added to `qtbott` so it can be accessed in the same way ([#460](#)).

### 14.2 4.1.0 (2022-06-23)

- `pytest-qt` now requires Python 3.7+.
- Improved PEP-8 aliases definition so they have a smaller call stack depth by one and better parameter suggestions in IDEs. ([#383](#)). Thanks [@luziferius](#) for the PR.
- Updated model tester handling around `hasChildren` based on Qt's updates.
- New `qapp_cls` fixture returning the `QApplication` class to use, thus making it easier to use a custom subclass without having to override the whole `qapp` fixture. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- Updated model tester to track/verify in-flight changes based on Qt's updates. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- New `qtbott.screenshot()` method which can be used to take a screenshot of the given widget. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

## 14.3 4.0.2 (2021-06-14)

- Restored compatibility with PySide2 5.11, which doesn't depend on the `shiboken2` project, used by `pytest-qt` 4.0.0. The dependency is now not needed anymore, and the `.isdeleted` attribute of `qt_compat` (which isn't intended for public use) is removed.

## 14.4 4.0.1 (2021-06-07)

- The `sip` module now gets imported directly if `PyQt5.sip` / `PyQt6.sip` wasn't found, as it's still packaged like that in some distributions (#369). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

## 14.5 4.0.0 (2021-06-03)

- `PySide6` and `PyQt6` (6.1+) are now supported. Thanks [@jensheilman](#) and [@The-Compiler](#) for the PRs (#328, #330).
- `pytest-qt` now requires Python 3.6+.
- When using `PyQt5`, `pytest-qt` now requires `PyQt5` 5.11 or newer (#330).
- Support for Qt4 (i.e. `PyQt4` and `PySide`) is now dropped (#279).
- The `qtbott.waitActive` and `qtbott.waitExposed` context managers are now available with all Qt APIs, rather than only `PyQt5` (#361). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- The `qtbott.waitForWindowShown` method is deprecated, as the underlying Qt method was obsoleted in Qt 5.0 and removed in Qt 6.0. Its name is imprecise and the `pytest-qt` wrapper does not raise `TimeoutError` if the window wasn't shown. Please use the `qtbott.waitExposed` context manager instead (#361). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- The old `qtbott.stopForInteraction()` name is now removed as it was cumbersome and rarely used. Use `qtbott.stop()` (added in 1.1.1) instead (#306). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- The old `SignalTimeoutError` exception alias is now removed, as it was renamed to `TimeoutError` in 2.1 (#306). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- The old `qt_wait_signal_raising` option is now removed, as it was renamed to `qt_default_raising` in 3.1 (#306). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- `qtbott.waitForSignal` and `waitSignals` (as well as their PEP-8 aliases) supported passing `None` as signal, making them wait for the given timeout instead. This is not supported anymore, use `qtbott.wait(ms)` instead (#306). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- Various arguments to `qtbott` methods are now keyword-only (#366):
  - `qtbott.waitForActive`: `timeout` (widget being the only positional argument)
  - `qtbott.waitForExposed`: `timeout` (widget being the only positional argument)
  - `qtbott.waitForSignal`: `timeout`, `raising` and `check_params_cb` (signal being the only positional argument)
  - `qtbott.waitForSignals`: `timeout`, `raising` and `check_params_cbs` (signals being the only positional argument)
  - `qtbott.assertNotEmitted`: `wait` (signal being the only positional argument)
  - `qtbott.waitForUntil`: `timeout` (callback being the only positional argument)

- `qtbtest.waitCallback`: timeout and raising (with no positional arguments)

The same applies to the respective PEP-8 aliases. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

- Various classes are now not importable from `pytestqt.plugin` anymore, and should instead be imported from the module they're residing in since the 1.6.0 release (#306):
  - `pytestqt.plugin.QtBot` -> `pytestqt.qtbtest.QtBot`
  - `pytestqt.plugin.SignalBlocker` -> `pytestqt.wait_signal.SignalBlocker`
  - `pytestqt.plugin.MultiSignalBlocker` -> `pytestqt.wait_signal.MultiSignalBlocker`
  - `pytestqt.plugin.Record` -> `pytestqt.logging.Record`
  - `pytestqt.plugin.capture_exceptions` -> `pytestqt.exceptions.capture_exceptions` (but consider using `qtbtest.capture_exceptions` instead)
  - `pytestqt.plugin.format_captured_exceptions` -> `pytestqt.exceptions.format_captured_exceptions`
- The `qt_api.extract_from_variant` and `qt_api.make_variant` functions (which were never intended for public usage) as well as all class aliases (such as `qt_api.QWidget` or `qt_api.QEvent`, among others) are now removed. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- The default timeouts for `qtbtest.waitForSignal`, `waitForSignals`, `waitForUntil` and `waitForCallback`, `waitForActive` and `waitForExposed` have been raised from 1s to 5s. This makes them in line the default timeout used by Qt's underlying methods such as `QSignalSpy::wait`. To get the old behavior back, explicitly pass `timeout=1000` to those functions (#306). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- `waitForUntil` now raises a `TimeoutError` when a timeout occurs to make the cause of the timeout more explicit (#222). Thanks [@karlch](#) for the PR.
- The `QtTest::keySequence` method is now exposed (if available, with Qt >= 5.10) (#289). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- `addWidget` now enforces that its argument is a `QWidget` in order to display a clearer error when this isn't the case (#290). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- New option `qt_qapp_name` can be used to set the name of the `QApplication` created by `pytest-qt`, defaulting to "pytest-qt-qapp" (#302). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- When the `-s` (`--capture=no`) argument is passed to `pytest`, Qt log capturing is now disabled as well (#300). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- PEP-8 aliases (`add_widget`, `wait_active`, etc) are no longer just simple assignments to the methods, but they are real methods which call the normal implementations. This makes subclasses work as expected, instead of having to duplicate the assignment (#326, #333). Thanks [@oliveira-mauricio](#) and [@jensheilmann](#) for the PRs.
- Errors related to the `qt_compat` module (such as an invalid `PYTEST_QT_API` setting or missing Qt API wrappers) are now shown as a more human-readable error message rather than an internal `pytest` error (#355). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

## 14.6 3.3.0 (2019-12-07)

- Improve message in uncaught exceptions by mentioning the Qt event loop instead of Qt virtual methods (#255).
- `pytest-qt` now requires `pytest` version >= 3.0.
- `qtbtest.addWidget` now supports an optional `before_close_func` keyword-only argument, which if given is a function which is called before the widget is closed, with the widget as first argument.

## 14.7 3.2.2 (2018-12-13)

- Fix Off-by-one error in `modeltester` (#249). Thanks [@ext-jmmugnes](#) for the PR.

## 14.8 3.2.1 (2018-10-01)

- Fixed compatibility with PyQt5 5.11.3

## 14.9 3.2.0 (2018-09-26)

- The `CallbackBlocker` returned by `qtbtest.waitCallback()` now has a new `assert_called_with(...)` convenience method.

## 14.10 3.1.0 (2018-09-23)

- If Qt's model tester implemented in C++ is available (PyQt5 5.11 or newer), the `qtmodeltester` fixture now uses that instead of the Python implementation. This can be turned off by passing `force_py=True` to `qtmodeltester.check()`.
- The Python code used by `qtmodeltester` is now based on the latest Qt modeltester. This also means that the `data_display_may_return_none` attribute for `qtmodeltester` isn't used anymore.
- New `qtbtest.waitCallback()` method that returns a `CallbackBlocker`, which can be used to wait for a callback to be called.
- `qtbtest.assertNotEmitted` now has a new `wait` parameter which can be used to make sure asynchronous signals aren't emitted by waiting after the code in the `with` block finished.
- The `qt_wait_signal_raising` option was renamed to `qt_default_raising`. The old name continues to work, but is deprecated.
- The docs still referred to `SignalTimeoutError` in some places, despite it being renamed to `TimeoutError` in the 2.1 release. This is now corrected.
- Improve debugging output when no Qt wrapper was found.
- When no context is available for warnings on Qt 5, no `None:None:0` line is shown anymore.
- The `no_qt_log` marker is now registered with pytest so `--strict` can be used.
- `qtbtest.waitSignal` with `timeout 0` now expects the signal to arrive directly in the code enclosed by it.

Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PRs.

## 14.11 3.0.2 (2018-08-31)

- Another fix related to `QtInfoMsg` objects during logging (#225).

## 14.12 3.0.1 (2018-08-30)

- Fix handling of `QtInfoMsg` objects during logging (#225). Thanks [@willsALMANJ](#) for the report.

## 14.13 3.0.0 (2018-07-12)

- Removed `qtboto.mouseEvent` proxy, it was an internal Qt function which has now been removed in PyQt 5.11 (#219). Thanks [@mitya57](#) for the PR.
- Fix memory leak when tests raised an exception inside Qt virtual methods (#187). Thanks [@fabioz](#) for the report and PR.

## 14.14 2.4.1 (2018-06-14)

- Properly handle chained exceptions when capturing them inside virtual methods (#215). Thanks [@fabioz](#) for the report and sample code with the fix.

## 14.15 2.4.0

- Use new pytest 3.6 marker API when possible (#212). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

## 14.16 2.3.2

- Fix `QStringListModel` import when using PySide2 (#209). Thanks [@rth](#) for the PR.

## 14.17 2.3.1

- `PYTEST_QT_API` environment variable correctly wins over `qt_api` ini variable if both are set at the same time (#196). Thanks [@mochick](#) for the PR.

## 14.18 2.3.0

- New `qapp_args` fixture which can be used to pass custom arguments to `QApplication`. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.

## 14.19 2.2.1

- `modeltester` now accepts `QBrush` for `BackgroundColorRole` and `TextColorRole` (#189). Thanks [@pOlas](#) for the PR.

## 14.20 2.2.0

- `pytest-qt` now supports `PySide2` thanks to [@rth!](#)

## 14.21 2.1.2

- Fix issue where `pytestqt` was hiding the information when there's an exception raised from another exception on Python 3.

## 14.22 2.1.1

- Fixed tests on Python 3.6.

## 14.23 2.1

- `waitSignal` and `waitSignals` now provide much more detailed messages when expected signals are not emitted. Many thanks to [@MShekow](#) for the PR (#153).
- `qtboto` fixture now can capture Qt virtual method exceptions in a block using `captureExceptions` (#154). Thanks to [@fogo](#) for the PR.
- New `qtboto.waitActive` and `qtboto.waitExposed` methods for PyQt5. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the request (#158).
- `SignalTimeoutError` has been renamed to `TimeoutError`. `SignalTimeoutError` is kept as a backward compatibility alias.

## 14.24 2.0

### 14.24.1 Breaking Changes

With `pytest-qt` 2.0, we changed some defaults to values we think are much better, however this required some backwards-incompatible changes:

- `pytest-qt` now defaults to using PyQt5 if `PYTEST_QT_API` is not set. Before, it preferred PySide which is using the discontinued Qt4.
- Python 3 versions prior to 3.4 are no longer supported.
- The `@pytest.mark.qt_log_ignore` mark now defaults to `extend=True`, i.e. extends the patterns defined in the config file rather than overriding them. You can pass `extend=False` to get the old behaviour of overriding the patterns.
- `qtboto.waitSignal` now defaults to `raising=True` and raises an exception on timeouts. You can set `qt_wait_signal_raising = false` in your config to get back the old behaviour.
- `PYTEST_QT_FORCE_PYQT` environment variable is no longer supported. Set `PYTEST_QT_API` to the appropriate value instead or the new `qt_api` configuration option in your `pytest.ini` file.



### 14.24.2 New Features

- From this version onward, `pytest-qt` is licensed under the MIT license (#134).
- New `qtmodeltester` fixture to test `QAbstractItemModel` subclasses. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the initiative and port of the original C++ code for `ModelTester` (#63).
- New `qtbott.waitUntil` method, which continuously calls a callback until a condition is met or a timeout is reached. Useful for testing asynchronous features (like in X window environments for example).
- `waitSignal` and `waitSignals` can receive an optional callback (or list of callbacks) that can evaluate if the arguments of emitted signals should resume execution or not. Additionally `waitSignals` has a new `order` parameter that allows to expect signals and their arguments in a strict, semi-strict or no specific order. Thanks [@MShekow](#) for the PR (#141).
- Now which Qt binding `pytest-qt` will use can be configured by the `qt_api` config option. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the request (#129).
- While `pytestqt.qt_compat` is an internal module and shouldn't be imported directly, it is known that some test suites did import it. This module now uses a lazy-load mechanism to load Qt classes and objects, so the old symbols (`QtCore`, `QApplication`, etc.) are no longer available from it.

### 14.24.3 Other Changes

- Exceptions caught by `pytest-qt` in `sys.excepthook` are now also printed to `stderr`, making debugging them easier from within an IDE. Thanks [@fabioz](#) for the PR (126)!

## 14.25 1.11.0

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**Note:** The default value for `raising` is planned to change to `True` starting in `pytest-qt` version 1.12. Users wishing to preserve the current behavior (`raising` is `False` by default) should make use of the new `qt_wait_signal_raising` ini option below.

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- New `qt_wait_signal_raising` ini option can be used to override the default value of the `raising` parameter of the `qtbott.waitSignal` and `qtbott.waitSignals` functions when omitted:

```
[pytest]
qt_wait_signal_raising = true
```

Calls which explicitly pass the `raising` parameter are not affected. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for idea and initial work on a PR (120).

- `qtbott` now has a new `assertNotEmitted` context manager which can be used to ensure the given signal is not emitted (92). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR!

## 14.26 1.10.0

- `SignalBlocker` now has a `args` attribute with the arguments of the signal that triggered it, or `None` on a time out (115). Thanks [@billyshambrook](#) for the request and [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR.
- `MultiSignalBlocker` is now properly disconnects from signals upon exit.

## 14.27 1.9.0

- Exception capturing now happens as early/late as possible in order to catch all possible exceptions (including fixtures)(105). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the request.
- Widgets registered by `qtboto.addWidget` are now closed before all other fixtures are tear down (106). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for request.
- `qtboto` now has a new `wait` method which does a blocking wait while the event loop continues to run, similar to `QTest::qWait`. Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR (closes 107)!
- raise `RuntimeError` instead of `ImportError` when failing to import any Qt binding: raising the latter causes pluggy in `pytest-2.8` to generate a subtle warning instead of a full blown error. Thanks [@Sheeo](#) for bringing this problem to attention (closes 109).

## 14.28 1.8.0

- `pytest.mark.qt_log_ignore` now supports an `extend` parameter that will extend the list of regexes used to ignore Qt messages (defaults to `False`). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR (99).
- Fixed internal error when interacting with other plugins that raise an error, hiding the original exception (98). Thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR!
- Now `pytest-qt` is properly tested with PyQt5 on Travis-CI. Many thanks to [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR!

## 14.29 1.7.0

- `PYTEST_QT_API` can now be set to `pyqt4v2` in order to use version 2 of the PyQt4 API. Thanks [@montefra](#) for the PR (93)!

## 14.30 1.6.0

- Reduced verbosity when exceptions are captured in virtual methods (77, thanks [@The-Compiler](#)).
- `pytestqt.plugin` has been split in several files (74) and tests have been moved out of the `pytestqt` package. This should not affect users, but it is worth mentioning nonetheless.
- `QApplication.processEvents()` is now called before and after other fixtures and teardown hooks, to better try to avoid non-processed events from leaking from one test to the next. (67, thanks [@The-Compiler](#)).
- Show Qt/PyQt/PySide versions in pytest header (68, thanks [@The-Compiler](#)!).
- Disconnect `SignalBlocker` functions after its loop exits to ensure second emissions that call the internal functions on the now-garbage-collected `SignalBlocker` instance (#69, thanks [@The-Compiler](#) for the PR).

## 14.31 1.5.1

- Exceptions are now captured also during test tear down, as delayed events will get processed then and might raise exceptions in virtual methods; this is specially problematic in `PyQt5.5`, which [changed the behavior](#) to call `abort` by default, which will crash the interpreter. (65, thanks [@The-Compiler](#)).

## 14.32 1.5.0

- Fixed log line number in messages, and provide better contextual information in Qt5 (55, thanks @The-Compiler);
- Fixed issue where exceptions inside a `waitSignals` or `waitSignal` with-statement block would be swallowed and a `SignalTimeoutError` would be raised instead. (59, thanks @The-Compiler for bringing up the issue and providing a test case);
- Fixed issue where the first usage of `qapp` fixture would return `None`. Thanks to @gqmelo for noticing and providing a PR;
- New `qtlog` now sports a context manager method, `disabled` (58). Thanks @The-Compiler for the idea and testing;

## 14.33 1.4.0

- Messages sent by `QDebug`, `qWarning`, `qCritical` are captured and displayed when tests fail, similar to `pytest-catchlog`. Also, tests can be configured to automatically fail if an unexpected message is generated.
- New method `waitSignals`: will block until **all** signals given are triggered (thanks @The-Compiler for idea and complete PR).
- New parameter `raising` to `waitSignals` and `waitSignal`: when `True` will raise a `QtBot.SignalTimeoutError` exception when timeout is reached (defaults to `False`). (thanks again to @The-Compiler for idea and complete PR).
- `pytest-qt` now requires `pytest` version `>= 2.7`.

### 14.33.1 Internal changes to improve memory management

- `QApplication.exit()` is no longer called at the end of the test session and the `QApplication` instance is not garbage collected anymore;
- `QtBot` no longer receives a `QApplication` as a parameter in the constructor, always referencing `QApplication.instance()` now; this avoids keeping an extra reference in the `QtBot` instances.
- `deleteLater` is called on widgets added in `QtBot.addWidget` at the end of each test;
- `QApplication.processEvents()` is called at the end of each test to make sure widgets are cleaned up;

## 14.34 1.3.0

- `pytest-qt` now supports `PyQt5`!

Which Qt api will be used is still detected automatically, but you can choose one using the `PYTEST_QT_API` environment variable (the old `PYTEST_QT_FORCE_PYQT` is still supported for backward compatibility).

Many thanks to @jdreaver for helping to test this release!

## 14.35 1.2.3

- Now the module ``qt\_compat`` no longer sets QString and QVariant APIs to 2 for PyQt, making it compatible for those still using version 1 of the API.

## 14.36 1.2.2

- Now it is possible to disable automatic exception capture by using markers or a `pytest.ini` option. Consult the documentation for more information. (26, thanks [@datalyze-solutions](#) for bringing this up).
- `QApplication` instance is created only if it wasn't created yet (21, thanks [@fabioz](#)!)
- `addWidget` now keeps a weak reference its widgets (20, thanks [@fabioz](#))

## 14.37 1.2.1

- Fixed 16: a signal emitted immediately inside a `waitSignal` block now works as expected (thanks [@baudren](#)).

## 14.38 1.2.0

This version include the new `waitSignal` function, which makes it easy to write tests for long running computations that happen in other threads or processes:

```
def test_long_computation(qtbot):
    app = Application()

    # Watch for the app.worker.finished signal, then start the worker.
    with qtbot.waitSignal(app.worker.finished, timeout=10000) as blocker:
        blocker.connect(app.worker.failed) # Can add other signals to blocker
        app.worker.start()
        # Test will wait here until either signal is emitted, or 10 seconds has
        ↳ elapsed

    assert blocker.signal_triggered # Assuming the work took less than 10 seconds
    assert_application_results(app)
```

Many thanks to [@jdreaver](#) for discussion and complete PR! (12, 13)

## 14.39 1.1.1

- Added `stop` as an alias for `stopForInteraction` (10, thanks [@itghisi](#))
- Now exceptions raised in virtual methods make tests fail, instead of silently passing (11). If an exception is raised, the test will fail and it exceptions that happened inside virtual calls will be printed as such:

```

E           Failed: Qt exceptions in virtual methods:
E
↳ _____
E           File "x:\pytest-qt\pytestqt\_tests\test_exceptions.py", line 14, in_
↳ event
E               raise ValueError('mistakes were made')
E
E           ValueError: mistakes were made
E
↳ _____
E           File "x:\pytest-qt\pytestqt\_tests\test_exceptions.py", line 14, in_
↳ event
E               raise ValueError('mistakes were made')
E
E           ValueError: mistakes were made
E
↳ _____

```

Thanks to @jdreaver for request and sample code!

- Fixed documentation for QtBot: it was not being rendered in the docs due to an import error.

## 14.40 1.1.0

Python 3 support.

## 14.41 1.0.2

Minor documentation fixes.

## 14.42 1.0.1

Small bug fix release.

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First working version.



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