

Day 5

Report: Virtual Environment, Git Workflow, Selenium & API Testing Sessions

Session 1: Virtual Environment, Git Workflow, and Selenium Automation

This session focused on foundational development practices, including setting up Python virtual environments, working with Git, and introducing Selenium for web automation.

◆ 1. Virtual Environment Setup

The importance of virtual environments was emphasized to ensure dependency isolation across different Python projects.

- **Creation and Activation**

- Created a virtual environment using:
- `python -m venv myenv`
- Activated the environment on Windows with:
- `myenv\Scripts\activate`

- **Dependency Management**

- Demonstrated how to install and manage libraries within the activated virtual environment.

◆ 2. Git Workflow Basics

Participants were introduced to core Git commands and their significance in project version control.

- **Commands Covered**

- `git init`, `git add`, `git commit`, `git push`, and `git pull`

- **GitHub Integration**

- Showed how to push a local project to GitHub and manage remote repositories for collaboration and backup.

◆ 3. Selenium Automation with Python

The session introduced browser automation using Selenium.

- **Installation**

- Installed Selenium and Chrome WebDriver to enable browser-based testing.

- **Basic Automation Script**

- Demonstrated a sample script:
- `from selenium import webdriver`
- `driver = webdriver.Chrome()`
- `driver.get("https://qxf2.com/selenium-tutorial-main")`

- name = driver.find_element(by="id", value="name")
 - name.send_keys("Qxf2")
- **Element Interaction**
 - Explained how to locate and interact with web elements using find_element and perform actions like entering text.

Session 2: API Testing with Postman and Python Requests

This session focused on understanding and implementing API testing using both **Postman** and the **Python requests module**.

◆ **1. API Testing with Postman**

Participants explored the fundamentals of API testing through the Postman interface.

- **GET and POST Requests**

- Demonstrated how to send requests, inspect responses, and validate data returned by APIs.

◆ **2. API Testing Using Python Requests Module**

- **Making API Calls**

- Executed API requests to a locally hosted server (<http://127.0.0.1:5000/>).

- **Sample GET Request**

- import requests
- response = requests.get("http://127.0.0.1:5000/cars", auth=("qxf2", "qxf2"))
- print(response.status_code)
- print(response.json())

- **Sample POST Request**

- Sent data to the server to add a new car:
- response = my_session.post(url=base_url + 'cars/add', json={
 • 'name': 'Gwagon',
 • 'brand': 'Gwagon',
 • 'price_range': '90-200lacs',
 • 'car_type': 'sedan'
 }, auth=(username, password))

- **Response Validation with Assertions**

- Validated the success of API calls using:

- assert response.status_code == 201, f"Expected status 201, got {response.status_code}"
- assert 'message' in response_content and 'successfully' in response_content['message'].lower(), "Car addition failed"
- Verified that the car list was updated post submission.

Conclusion

The sessions provided a solid foundation in automation and API testing. Key takeaways included:

- Setting up and managing virtual environments for Python projects.
- Using Git and GitHub for effective version control.
- Automating browser tasks with Selenium.
- Performing robust API testing using both Postman and Python's requests library.

Participants engaged in hands-on exercises, reinforcing concepts through practical examples and real-time API validations using assertions.