Postman Test Automation Using Newman

- Newman is an open-source command-line tool (built on Node.js) for running and testing Postman Collections outside the Postman GUI
- It supports the same pre-request and test scripts as Postman, making it ideal for automation and CI pipelines.

Overview

This guide provides step-by-step instructions for:

- > Writing Pre-request and Post-response scripts in Postman.
- > Running the API test collections using Newman, the CLI companion tool for Postman.
- Generating HTML test reports.

Prerequisites

- Postman installed: https://www.postman.com/downloads/
- Node.js installed: https://nodejs.org/
- Newman installed via npm:

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npm install -g newman
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1. Creating Pre-request and Test Scripts in Postman

1.1 Create a Collection and Add Request

- Open Postman.
- Click "Collections" → "New Collection" → Name it.
- Add a request (e.g., a GET or POST request) to your collection.

1.2 Pre-request Script

A Pre-request Script is JavaScript code that executes *before* an API request is sent. It enables you to set up variables, generate dynamic data, and configure request parameters such as headers or authentication tokens.

Steps:

- 1. Go to your request → Click on the "Pre-request Script" tab.
- 2. Add your script.

```
Params
        Authorization Headers (11)
                                  Body Scripts •
                                                     Settings
                   1 // parse the headers
Pre-request
                       const headers = pm.request.headers.reduce((acc, obj) => {
                        acc[obj.key] = obj.value;
Post-response •
                           return acc;
                   5 }, {});
                       // check if headers are present and have all required properties
                      if(headers && Object.keys(headers).length > 0) {
                           pm.test("Request header includes all the required properties: source, client_id, client_secret", function()
                  10
                             pm.expect(headers).to.include.all.keys('source', 'client_id', 'client_secret');
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                  13 } else {
                         pm.test("Request does not contain certain headers or headers are empty", function() {
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                  15
                             pm.expect.fail("Expected request to contain headers array with elements");
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```

1.3 Post-response Script

Also known as a Test Script, this JavaScript runs *after* a response is received. It's used to verify outcomes, assert conditions on status codes, headers, response time, and body content.

Steps:

- 1. Go to your request → Click on the "Post-response Script" tab.
- 2. Add your script.

```
Params Authorization Headers (11) Body Scripts Settings
                      // Test to check if the response status code is one of the expected values
Pre-request •
                        pm.test("Status code is " + pm.response.code, function() {
                           pm.expect(pm.response.code).to.be.oneOf([200, 201, 202]);
Post-response •
                        const responseData = pm.response.json();
                        if (\texttt{responseData \&\& Object.keys}(\texttt{responseData}). \texttt{length} > 0) \ \{
                            // Test to check if response body contain 'headers' and 'records' properties
                            pm.test("Response body contains all required properties", function () {
                               pm.expect(responseData).to.have.all.keys('headers', 'records');
                   14
                            // Test to check if response field: 'header' has all required properties: 'batchRunRecordId', 'batchId', 'recordType
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                            pm.test("Response field: 'headers' has all required properties: 'batchRunRecordId', 'batchId', 'recordType', 'batchRu
                               pm.expect(responseData.headers).to.have.all.keys('batchRunRecordId', 'batchId', 'recordType', 'batchRunStatus');
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                            // Test to check if recordType is MasterCustomer
                            pm.test("Record type is 'MasterCustomer'", function () {
                   23
                                pm.expect(responseData.headers.recordType).to.equal('MasterCustomer');
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2. Exporting Collection

Before using Newman, export your Postman collection:

- Go to Collections → Hover over your collection → Click "..." → "Export"
- Select Collection v2.1 (recommended) → Save as collection.json

Also export environment (if needed):

• Go to Environments → Select the environment → Click "..." → "Export"

3. Running Tests with Newman

3.1 Basic Run:

newman run collection.json

3.2 With Environment:

newman run collection.json -e environment.json

3.3 Generate HTML Report:

npm install -g newman-reporter-html

3.4 Run with HTML report:

newman run collection.json -e environment.json -r html

Newman Report

Description

NetSuite SYS API

- This is the NetSuite System API that has one endpoint "records" that works with the POST method only. - It is protected with Client ID enforcement, the following headers are supposed to be passed. - client_id: The unique identifier for the client application, issued by the authorization. - client_secret: The confidential key associated with the client_id that will be used to authenticate the application. - One mandatory header is being passed, specifying the NetSuite object we are dealing with. - object_type: Specifies object type. - LogOnSuccessEnableFlag is a non-mandatory header, for which there can be 2 values: - true: If the value is true, then the records will be upserted to the recordLog object in NetSuite. - false: If the value is false, then the records will be upserted into the recordLog object only when NetSuite upsertion errors.

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Newman v6.2.

	Total	Failed
Iterations	1	0
Requests	10	0
Prerequest Scripts	8	0
Test Scripts	10	0
Assertions	40	0

 Total run duration
 18.1s

 Total data received
 2.89KB (approx)

 Average response time
 1726ms

Total Failures

Requests customer

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IRL	https://dev-sys-netsuite-app-k6owae.6euqcy.usa-e1.cloudhub.io/api/v1/franchise/custome	https://dev-sys-netsuite-app-k6owae.6euqcy.usa-e1.cloudhub.io/api/v1/franchise/customer			
lean time per request	2.2s				
lean size per request	272B				
otal passed tests	6				
otal failed tests	0				
tatus code	200				
Tests		Pass	Fail		
	Name	count	count		
	Header includes all the required properties: client_id, client_secret, record_log_on_success_enable_flag	1	0		
	Record type is Customer	1	0		
	All records have recordType, batchRunStatus, recordId, customerId, parentCompany properties	1	0		
	Status code is 200	1	0		
	Upsert status is successful	1	0		