

Spirent iTest

Python-Based Network Automation and Verification IDE

Highlights

- Python-based platform for automation developers and network engineers
- Abstract the complexity of hybrid networks to create robust Python and Robot automation and verification applications
- Easily convert manual network configurations and testing workflows into secure distributable automation applications, API libraries and keywords
- Integrated system analysis w/ customizable reports for actionable verification
- Portable Automation Format accelerating deployments from lab to production

Testimonials

Increased automated test cases from
<10%
 to **75%**
7X
 increase in testing efficiency

65%
 of test cases automated
\$500K
 annual cost saving

Cut test execution time from to
60
 minutes
10X
 speedup in regression testing

Testing time cut
5 Hours
 5 to Minutes
98%
 increase in test coverage

Overview

Spirent iTest was created to simplify the complexities presented by heterogeneous networks by allowing development and operations teams to rapidly create portable automation within an agnostic network automation development framework.

Spirent iTest delivers the first ever unified Interactive Development Environment for Python, Robot and iTest users. This release provides the optimal environment for creating modern network automation and verification applications. Our innovative Portable Automation Format (PAF) simplifies automation and adoption by enabling developers to leverage their automated applications for both lab and production use. Spirent iTest highly productive Record-Playback and patented Response Mapping are available within Python and Robot development environments.

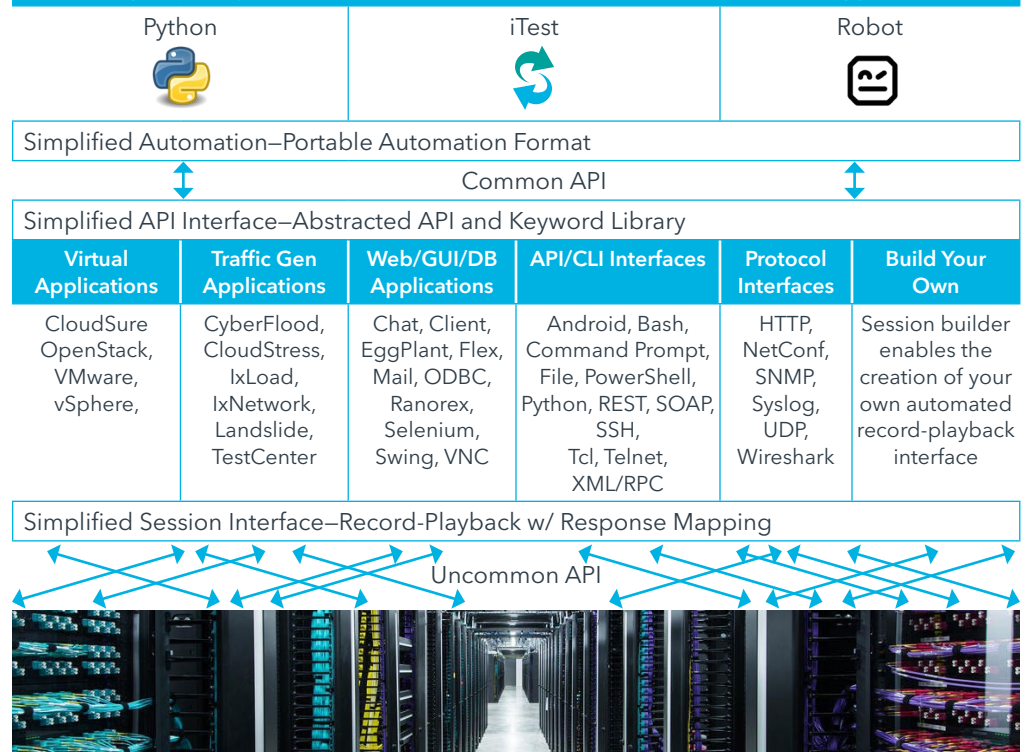
Business Benefits

- Single solution for both lab and production environments: automate, verify and seamlessly deploy from lab to production
- Speed up time to market using reusable automation libraries for Python and Robot
- Improve efficiency with built-in DevOps workflows and sharing of environments

iTest IDE is designed to abstract the complexity of networks from the ground up.

Interactive Development Environment (IDE)

For Development of Python, Robot and iTest Network Automation and Verification Applications



Heterogenous Hybrid (Physical and Virtual) Networks

Spirent iTest IDE

Python-based Interactive Development Environment (IDE) for automation developers and network engineers.

Key IDE Features

Python-Based: Rapidly create, reuse and publish Python and Robot Framework automation content from a unified development environment.

Live Interaction: Real-time development and troubleshooting of network and test automation with any device, application, or system.

Record and Playback: Create automation scripts by capturing every action during a manual test and replaying the captured steps.

The screenshot displays the Spirent iTest IDE interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Navigate, Search, Project, Run, iTest, Window, and Help. The iTest Explorer on the left shows a project structure with folders like response_maps, session_profiles, and my_project. The central Steps panel shows a sequence of actions: procedure (main), open (project://di.Ubuntu/session_profiles/ssh_1.ffsp), getEthernetNic (interface: eth0), analyze (query: Speed(), assert: value == "10000Mb/s"), and close. The Response panel at the bottom left shows the output of the getEthernetNic action, including supported ports, link modes, and speed. The Queries panel at the bottom right shows a table of queries and their results, with columns for Query, Matches, Value, Location, and XPath.

Query	Matches	Value	Location	XPath
isEmpty()	1	false		./isEmpty()
responseLine()	1	Settings for eth0:		./responseLine()
definedIn()	1	project://di.Ubuntu/session_profiles/ssh_1.ffsp		./definedIn()
Supported_ports()	1	[TP]	line 1, cols 18:24	./Supported_ports()
Supported_link_modes()	1	1000baseT/Full	line 2, cols 28:30	./Supported_link_modes()
Supported_pause_frame_use()	1	No	line 4, cols 28:30	./Supported_pause_frame_use()
Advertised_link_modes()	1	Not reported	line 6, cols 25:37	./Advertised_link_modes()
Advertised_pause_frame_use()	1	No	line 7, cols 29:31	./Advertised_pause_frame_use()
Speed()	1	10000Mb/s	line 9, cols 8:17	./Speed()
Number()	1	Full	line 10, cols 0:12	./Number()

Portable Automation Format: Develop and export automated tests for use in any environment including lab, staging and production networks.

Response Mapping: This patented feature automatically parses complex device messages to extract the key information.

Leverage existing automation: Enhance the value of your existing Python, Robot, Bash and PowerShell content by importing them via 'File -> Import'

```
param = Params()

def main(slc, logger, status):
    procedure_result = {}
    di_Ubuntu = slc.open('di_Ubuntu')
    sl = di_Ubuntu.ssh_1.ffsp.open(properties={'ipAddress': 'cu-vel.spirenteng.com', 'password': '10000baseT/Full'})
    response = sl.getEthernetNic(interface='eth0')
    handle_step_results(response, status, logger)
    if response.result == 'success':
        extracted = response.query('Speed()')
        if not isinstance(extracted, (list, tuple)):
            extracted = [extracted]
            for value in extracted:
                if value == "10000Mb/s":
                    logger.info('Value \'{value}\'' is consistent with the condition'.format(value=status.pass_test_if_not_already_failed(log=logger)
                else:
                    logger.error('Value \'{value}\'' is not consistent with the condition'.format(value=status.pass_test_if_not_already_failed(log=logger)
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Spirent iTest Portable Automation Format

Network automation and verification applications are easily created and securely distributed for both lab to production use.



Network Automation and Verification IDE

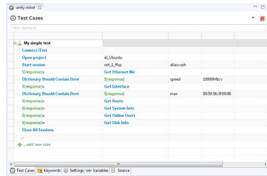


Integrated Python, Robot and & iTest Editors



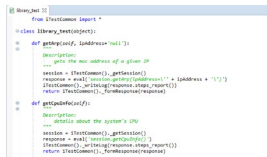
Full capability of iTest applications, API libraries, keywords and results integrated with Python and Robot IDEs

Results Analysis



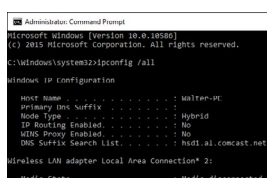
- Apply complex analysis rules with Boolean logic
- Customizable reports with system integrated

Keyword Libraries



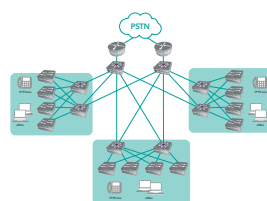
- Build higher level, abstracted automation and test libraries
- Publish as Python, Robot or RESTful APIs

Session Record-Playback



- Abstract devices and applications with common session interface
- Capture and replay user actions
- Troubleshoot issues easily: extensive logs available, including from RESTful sessions

Network Topologies



- Visually model and integrate network or test environments
- Abstract the make, model, and version specifics from the devices being automated



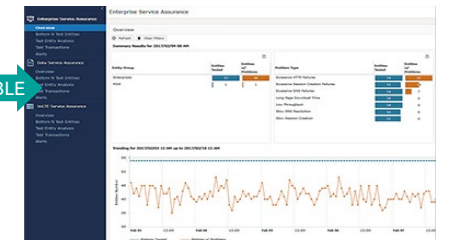
w/ Velocity LaaS/TaaS



- Create and instantiate development and test environments instantly
- Deploy, schedule, run and share automation
- Store and report all automation results



w/ VisionWorks Service Assurance

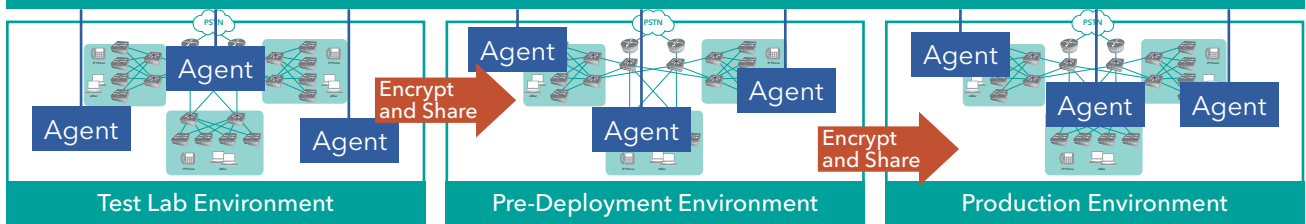


- Publish automation from lab into production environments
- Test sequences for validating and monitoring network devices and services

Portable Automation Format
Network Automation and Verification Applications

Secure Agent Framework Environment

Distributable Secure Automation: Run only signed apps, encrypt all config inputs-outputs, stream encrypted data



Collaborative Network DevOps Workflow Environment



AUTOMATION
DEVELOPERS

SHARE
AUTOMATION



+ Velocity

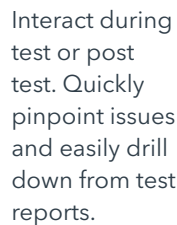
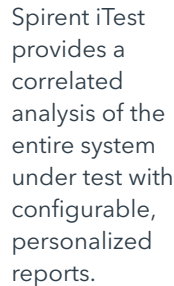
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Integrated verification tools for expert analysis and community of expert resources to jumpstart your automation.

Expert Community



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