AI-Powered Intelligent Test Automation with Micro Focus UFT One

Simplify and improve test creation, execution, and maintenance through capabilities based on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and intelligent automation.

When it comes to building and delivering better software faster, organizations can no longer choose between speed and quality if they expect to remain competitive in today’s DevOps environment. What’s needed is a faster way to engineer quality into every application. Micro Focus anticipated this need for faster, smarter testing and embedded multiple AI-powered intelligent automation capabilities into UFT One. These new features enable teams using UFT One to reduce test creation time, boost test coverage, increase resiliency of testing assets, and cut down on test maintenance efforts.

The Benefits of Micro Focus Intelligent Test Automation Solutions
Intelligent Automation is the key to more resilient test coverage. The benefits of AI-powered intelligent test automation include:

- Preventing defects from escaping into production by detecting and fixing them earlier
- Reducing costs through simple test creation and maintenance, reusable and resilient test scripts, and lower test infrastructure expenditure
- Ensuring products meet customer expectations on all platforms

UFT One’s AI-Based Test Automation Capabilities

AI-Powered Intelligent Test Automation
Simplify and improve test creation, execution, and maintenance through AI-powered intelligent automation. AI-based machine learning and advanced OCR provide for advanced object recognition, and when combined with AI-based mockup identification, AI-based recording, AI-based text matching, and image-based automation, teams can reduce test creation time and test maintenance efforts, and boost test coverage and resiliency of testing assets, and cut down on test maintenance efforts.

- Advanced Object Recognition
  Streamline test creation and execution by more naturally identifying objects, similar to how a human “sees” them. This is enabled through AI-based machine learning and advanced optical character recognition (OCR).

- Object Interaction
  Increase test resilience by interacting with visual objects on the screen the same way as a user would. UFT One’s Neural Network understands each object and its context and manipulates it in a natural way. Together, UFT One’s AI-based object recognition and object interaction allow a single script to run on multiple different platforms.

- Natural Language Test Script Creation
  Reduce test creation time and ease test maintenance with UFT One’s Natural Language Processing (NLP) engine, which enables tests to be written in simple English.

- AI-Based Test Execution
  UFT One combines AI-based object recognition, object interaction, and natural language script creation to allow tests to be quickly written and executed on multiple different platforms without requiring any modification, increasing test accuracy, resiliency, and velocity.

- Record AI-Based Test Steps
  Perform a business flow on an application and create a sequence of AI-based test steps. Within the recording session, you can also fine-tune the object identification and add checkpoint steps. The recording result is a resilient test that can run on multiple platforms and environments.

- AI-Based Mockup Identification
  AI-Based Mockup Identification inspects application mockups and identifies objects that could be used in a test. This allows for the preparation of tests much earlier, enabling for test design even before an application is fully developed.

- AI Transformation Assistant
  Run existing tests with the AI Transformation Assistant enabled and receive suggestions for transforming technology-based test steps to AI-based testing steps. Replace existing steps with the suggested AI object steps to create a more resilient and platform-agnostic test.

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Image-Based Processing
Keep up with unpredictable UI changes by learning objects like humans do—through image-based automation, visual anchors, and embedded OCR (Optical Character Recognition) with either the ABBYY OCR engine or the Google Tesseract OCR engine.
Image-based automation
Identifying objects using Insight (Insight): Insight enables UFT One to recognize objects in the application based on what they look like, instead of properties that are part of their design. This can be useful for working with an application running on a remote computer.

Visual anchors
Visual relation identifiers (VRI): To improve object identification, create a visual relation identifier, which is a set of definitions that enable for the identification of the object in the application according to the relative location of its neighboring objects.

Embedded OCR
Text recognition in run-time (Text recognition): When working with tests and scripted components, the text and text area checkpoint or output value commands can be used to verify or retrieve text in objects.

Machine-Driven Regression Testing
Find anomalies easily, such as latency issues, scripting errors, visual regressions, broken links, and more.

Latency issues
Run a test using an emulated network (Testing emulated networks): This task describes how to trigger a network emulation session from UFT One and run tests on the virtualized network. This enables for the monitoring of network performance while an application is running.

Scripting errors
Smart identification (Smart Identification): When UFT One uses the learned description to identify an object, it searches for an object that matches all of the property values in the description. In most cases, this description is the simplest way to identify the object, and, unless the main properties of the object change, this method will work. If UFT One is unable to find any object that matches the learned object description, or if it finds more than one object that fits the description, then UFT One ignores the learned description, and uses the Smart Identification mechanism (if defined and enabled) to try to identify the object.

Visual regressions
Applitools for visual regression tests (Applitools SDK for UFT One): The Applitools Eyes UFT One SDK allows for visual checkpoints to be easily added to UFT One tests. It also produces screenshots of the application from UFT One, sending them to the Eyes server for validation and failing the test if case differences are found.

Broken links
Using Page checkpoints for broken links (Page checkpoints): Use page checkpoints to check statistical information for key web pages. These checkpoints inspect the links and the sources of the images on a web page and instruct page checkpoints to include a check for broken links.

Text Analysis
Extract text and data values directly from an app for analysis, or collect analog text directly from images.

Data extraction
Test Combinations Generator (TCG) enhancements (Pull data in TCG): UFT One’s TCG tool supports an additional method of generating values from list objects, by pulling data directly from the application that is being testing.

Text from images
Text recognition in runtime (Checking text in an image): When working with tests and scripted components, use the text and text area checkpoint or output value commands to verify or retrieve text in objects. UFT One identifies text in an application via an OCR mechanism.

Synthetic Data Creation
Create data intelligently using multiple algorithms to reduce the size of a test data set without serious loss of quality.

Data creation
Generate data to drive your test (Test Combinations Generator): The Test Combinations Generator helps to prepare test configuration data by using the parameters in the test and their possible values to create multiple data combinations. Once the data is specified, and depending on the number of parameters, this task can grow exponentially. Use the Test Combinations Generator to do the work automatically.