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# **Getting Started**

# **Installation/Setup**

# pip/PyPI

okcupyd is available for install from PyPI. If you have pip you can simply run:

pip install okcupyd

to make okcupyd available for import in python.

# **From Source**

You can install from source by running the setup.py script included as part of this repository as follows:

python setup.py install

This can be useful if you want to install a version that has not yet been released on PyPI.

# From Docker

okcupyd is available on docker (see https://registry.hub.docker.com/u/imalison/okcupyd/)

If you have docker installed on your machine, you can run

docker run -t -i imalison/okcupyd okcupyd

to get an interactive okcupyd shell.

### Use

## **Interactive**

Installing the okcupyd package should add an executable script to a directory in your \$PATH that will allow you to type *okcupyd* into your shell of choice to enter an interactive ipython shell that has been prepared for use with okcupyd. Before the shell starts, you will be prompted for your username and password. This executable script accepts the flags *-enable-logger* which enables a logger of the given name, and *-credentials* whose action is described below.

It is highly recommended that you use the *-enable-logger=requests* and *-enable-logger=okcupyd* flags if you encounter any problems.

## **Credentials**

If you wish to avoid entering your password each time you start a new session you can do one of the following things:

 Create a python module (.py file) with your username and password set to the variables USERNAME and PASSWORD respectively. You can start an interactive session with the USERNAME and PASSWORD stored in my\_credentials.py by running

```
PYTHONPATH=. okcupyd --credentials my_credentials
```

from the directory that my\_credentials.py is stored in

The *PYTHONPATH*=. at the front of this command is necessary to ensure that the current directory is searched for modules.

If you wish to use a version of this library that you have cloned but not installed, you can use the tox environment *venv* to do the same thing with such a version of the code:

```
PYTHONPATH=. tox -e venv -- okcupyd --credentials my_credentials
```

2. Set the shell environment variables *OKC\_USERNAME* and *OKC\_PASSWORD* to your username and password respectively. Make sure to export the variables so they are visible in

processes started from the shell. You can make a credentials.sh file to do this using the following template:

```
export OKC_USERNAME='your_username'
export OKC_PASSWORD='your_password'
```

Simply run source credentials.sh to set the environment variables and your shell should be properly configured. Note that this approach requires that the relevant environment variables be set before okcupyd.settings is imported.

3. Manually override the values in okcupyd/settings.py. This method is not recommended because it requires you to find the installation location of the package. Also, If you are working with a source controlled version, you could accidentally commit your credentials.

# Using --credentials in a custom script

The ~okcupyd.util.misc.add\_command\_line\_options and

~okcupyd.util.misc.handle\_command\_line\_options can be used to make a custom script support the \_-credentials and \_-enable-loggers command line flags. The interface to these functions is admittedly a little bit strange. Refer to the example below for details concerning how to use them:

```
import argparse
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
util.add_command_line_options(parser.add_argument)
args = parser.parse_args()
util.handle_command_line_options(args)
```

# **Basic Examples**

All examples in this section assume that the variable u has been initialized as follows:

```
import okcupyd
user = okcupyd.User()
```

# **Searching profiles**

To search through the user:

```
profiles = user.search(age_min=26, age_max=32)
for profile in profiles[:10]:
```

```
profile.message("Pumpkins are just okay.")
```

To search for users that have answered a particular question in a way that is consistent with the user's preferences for that question:

The search functionality can be accessed without a user instance:

```
from okcupyd.search import SearchFetchable

for profile in SearchFetchable(attractiveness_min=8000)[:5]:
    profile.message("hawt...")
```

This is particularly useful if you want to explicitly provide the session that should be used to search:

```
from okcupyd.session import Session
from okcupyd.search import SearchFetchable

session = Session.login('username', 'password')
for profile in SearchFetchable(session=session, attractiveness_min=8000)[:5]:
    profile.message("hawt...")
```

For more details about what filter arguments can be used with these search functions, see the doucmentation for <code>SearchFetchable()</code>

# Messaging another user

```
user.message('foxylady899', 'Do you have a map?')
# This has slightly different semantics; it will not look through the user's
# inbox for an existing thread.
user.get_profile('foxylady889').message('Do you have a map?')
```

# Rating a profile

```
user.get_profile('foxylady899').rate(5)
```

# **Mailbox**

```
first_thread = user.inbox[0]
print(first_thread.messages)
```

# Quickmatch, Essays, Looking For, Details

You can access the essays, looking for attributes and detail attributes of a profile very easily

```
profile = user.quickmatch()
print(profile.essays.self_summary)
print(profile.looking_for.ages)
print(profile.details.orientation)
```

The data for these attributes is loaded from the profile page, but it should be noted that this page is only loaded on demand, so the first of these attribute access calls will make an http request.

A logged in user can update their own details using these objects:

```
user.profile.essays.self_summary = "I'm pretty boring."
user.profile.looking_for.ages = 18, 19
user.profile.details.ethnicities = ['asian', 'black', 'hispanic']
```

These assignments will result in updates to the okcupid website. When these updates happen, subsequent access to any profile attribute will result in a new http request to reload the profile page.

# **Fetchable**

Most of the collection objects that are returned from function invocations in the okcupyd library are instances of <a href="Fetchable">Fetchable</a>. In most cases, it is fine to treat these objects as though they are lists because they can be iterated over, sliced and accessed by index, just like lists:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer.text)
```

```
a_random_question = user.profile.questions[2]
for question in questions[2:4]:
    print(question.answer_options[0])
```

However, in some cases, it is important to be aware of the subtle differences between Fetchable objects and python lists. Fetchable construct the elements that they "contain" lazily. In most of its uses in the okcupyd library, this means that http requests can be made to populate Fetchable instances as its elments are requested.

The <u>questions</u> <u>Fetchable</u> that is used in the example above fetches the pages that are used to construct its contents in batches of 10 questions. This means that the actual call to retrieve data is made when iteration starts. If you enable the request logger when you run this code snippet, you get output that illustrates this fact:

```
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=11 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
Yes
Yes
Kiss someone.
Yes.
Yes
Sex.
Both equally
No, I wouldn't give it as a gift.
Maybe, I want to know all the important stuff.
Once or twice a week
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=21 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
No.
No
No
Yes
Rarely / never
Always.
Discovering your shared interests
The sun
Acceptable.
No.
```

Some fetchables will continue fetching content for quite a long time. The search fetchable, for example, will fetch content until okcupid runs out of search results. As such, things like:

```
for profile in user.search():
    profile.message("hey!")
```

should be avoided, as they are likely to generate a massive number of requests to okcupid.com.

Another subtlety of the Fetchable class is that its instances cache its contained results. This means that the second iteration over Okcupyd.profile.Profile.questions in the example below does not result in any http requests:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.text)

for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer)
```

It is important to understand that this means that the contents of a Fetchable are not guarenteed to be in sync with okcupid.com the second time they are requested. Calling refresh() will cause the Fetchable to request new data from okcupid.com when its contents are requested. The code snippet that follows prints out all the questions that the logged in user has answered roughly once per hour, including ones that are answered while the program is running.

```
import time

while True:
    for question in user.profile.questions:
        print(question.text)
    user.profile.questions.refresh()
    time.sleep(3600)
```

Without the call to *user.profile.questions.refresh()*, this program would never update the user.profile.questions instance, and thus what would be printed to the screen with each iteration of the for loop.

# **Development**

#### tox

If you wish to contribute to this project, it is recommended that you use tox to run tests and enter the interactive environment. You can get tox by running

```
pip install tox
```

if you do not already have it.

Once you have cloned the project and installed tox, run:

```
tox -e py27
```

This will create a virtualenv that has all dependencies as well as the useful ipython and ipdb libraries installed, and run all okcupyds test suite.

If you want to run a command with access to a virtualenv that was created by tox you can run

```
tox -e venv -- your_command
```

To use the development version of the interactive shell (and avoid any conflicts with versions installed in site-packages) you would run the following command:

```
tox -e venv -- okcupyd
```

# git hooks

If you plan on editing this file (getting\_started.rst) you must install the provided git hooks that are included in this repository by running:

```
bin/create-githook-symlinks.sh
```

from the root directory of the repository.

# **API Objects**

The classes and functions documented on this page constitute the public API to the okcupyd library.

User

User serves as the primary entry point to the okcupyd library. Most of the objects mentioned on this page are accessible in some way or another from instances of User.

```
class okcupyd.user.User(session=None) [source]
```

```
Encapsulate a logged in okcupid user.
 classmethod from_credentials(username, password)
     Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.
                   • password (str) - The password to log in with.
   _init__(session=None)
                            [source]
     Parameters: session ( session ) - The session which will be used for interacting with
                  okcupid.com If none is provided, one will be instantiated automatically with the
                  credentials in settings
profile= None
   A Profile object belonging to the logged in user.
 inbox= None
   A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the
   user's inbox.
 outbox= None
   A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the
   user's outbox.
 drafts= None
   A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the
   user's drafts folder.
 visitors= None
   A Fetchable of Profile objects of okcupid.com users that have visited the user's profile.
 questions = None
   A Questions object that is instantiated with the owning User instance's session.
 attractiveness finder= None
   An AttractivenessFinder object that is instantiated with the owning user instance's
   session.
```

```
photo= None
  A photouploader that is instantiated with the owning user instance's session.
get_profile(username)
                           [source]
  Get the Profile associated with the supplied username.
    Parameters: username – The username of the profile to retrieve.
           [source]
username
  Return the username associated with the User.
message(username, message_text)
                                     [source]
  Message an okcupid user. If an existing conversation between the logged in user and the
  target user can be found, reply to that thread instead of starting a new one.
    Parameters: • username (str) – The username of the user to which the message should be
                     sent.

    message_text (str) – The body of the message.

search(**kwargs)
                    [source]
  Call | searchFetchable () | to get a | Fetchable | object that will lazily perform okcupid searches
  to provide Profile objects matching the search criteria.
  Defaults for gender, gentation, location and radius will be provided if none are given.
    Parameters: kwargs - See the searchFetchable() docstring for details about what parameters
                 are available.
delete_threads(thread_ids_or_threads) [source]
  Call delete threads().
    Parameters: thread_ids_or_threads - A list whose members are either | MessageThread
                 instances or okc_ids of message threads.
get_user_question(question, fast=False, bust_questions_cache=False)
                                                                         [source]
  Get a UserQuestion corresponding to the given Question.
  HUGE CAVEATS: If the logged in user has not answered the relevant question, it will
```

automatically be answered with whatever the first answer to the question is.

For the sake of reducing the number of requests made when this function is called repeatedly this function does not bust the cache of this vser 's

okcupyd.profile.Profile.questions attribute. That means that a question that HAS been answered could still be answered by this function if this ver 's questions was populated previously (This population happens automatically - See Fetchable for details about when and how this happens).

- Parameters: question (Basequestion) The question for which a Userquestion should be retrieved.
  - fast (bool) Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided.
  - bust\_questions\_cache (bool) clear the questions attribute of this users Profile before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not eliminate all race conditions.

```
get_question_answer_id(question, fast=False, bust_questions_cache=False)
```

Get the index of the answer that was given to question

See the documentation for get user question() for important caveats about the use of this function.

- Parameters: question (BaseQuestion) The question whose answer\_id should be retrieved.
  - fast (bool) Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided.
  - bust\_questions\_cache (bool) -

param bust\_questions\_cache:

clear the

questions attribute of this users Profile before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not eliminate all race conditions.

```
quickmatch()
               [source]
```

Return a **Profile** obtained by visiting the quickmatch page.

```
copy(profile_or user)
                          [source]
```

Create a copy instance with the provided object as the source and this user as the destination.

Parameters: profile\_or\_user - A User or Profile object.

#### Profile

class okcupyd.profile.Profile(session, username, \*\*kwargs) [source]

Represent the profile of an okcupid user.

Many of the attributes on this object are <u>cached\_property</u> instances which lazily load their values, and cache them once they have been accessed. This makes it so that this object avoids making unnecessary HTTP requests to retrieve the same piece of information twice.

Because of this caching behavior, care must be taken to invalidate cached attributes on the object if an up to date view of the profile is needed. It is recommended that you call refresh() to accomplish this, but it is also possible to use bust\_self() to bust individual properties if necessary.

```
username= None
```

The username of the user to whom this profile belongs.

```
questions= None
```

A Fetchable of Question instances, each corresponding to a question that has been answered by the user to whom this profile belongs. The fetchable consists of UserQuestion instead when the profile belongs to the logged in user.

```
details= None
```

A Details instance belonging to the same user that this profile belongs to.

```
refresh(reload=False) [source]
```

**Parameters:** reload — Make the request to return a new profile tree. This will result in the caching of the profile\_tree attribute. The new profile\_tree will be returned.

```
is_logged_in_user [source]
```

**Returns:** True if this profile and the session it was created with belong to the same user and False otherwise.

profile\_tree [source]

```
Returns: a lxml.etree created from the html of the profile page of the account associated with
               the username that this profile was insantiated with.
photo infos
               [source]
     Returns: list of Info instances for each photo displayed on okcupid.
looking for [source]
    Returns: A LookingFor instance associated with this profile.
rating [source]
  Deprecated. Use liked() instead.
    Returns: the rating that the logged in user has given this user or 0 if no rating has been given.
         [source]
liked
    Returns: Whether or not the logged in user liked this profile
contacted
               [source]
    Retuns: A boolean indicating whether the logged in user has contacted the owner of this profile.
responds
              [source]
     Returns: The frequency with which the user associated with this profile responds to messages.
id
     [source]
    Returns: The id that okcupid.com associates with this profile.
essays
           [source]
    Returns: A Essays instance that is associated with this profile.
age
       [source]
     Returns: The age of the user associated with this profile.
match percentage
                        [source]
```

Returns: The match percentage of the logged in user and the user associated with this object. enemy percentage [source] Returns: The enemy percentage of the logged in user and the user associated with this object. location [source] Returns: The location of the user associated with this profile. gender [source] The gender of the user associated with this profile. orientation [source] The sexual orientation of the user associated with this profile. message [source] Message the user associated with this profile. **Parameters:** • message – The message to send to this user. • thread\_id - The id of the thread to respond to, if any. attractiveness [source] Returns: The average attractiveness rating given to this profile by the okcupid.com community. [source] Toggle whether or not the logged in user likes this profile. [source]

toggle\_like()

like()

Like this profile.

unlike() [source]

Unlike this profile.

rate(rating) [source]

Rate this profile as the user that was logged in with the session that this object was

instantiated with.

**Parameters:** rating – The rating to give this user.

```
find_question(question_id, question_fetchable=None)
                                                       [source]
```

- **Parameters:** question\_id The id of the question to search for
  - question\_fetchable The question fetchable to iterate through if none is provided self.questions will be used.

```
question_fetchable(**kwargs)
```

Returns: A Fetchable instance that contains objects representing the answers that the user associated with this profile has given to okcupid.com match questions.

```
authcode_get(path, **kwargs)
                                [source]
```

Perform an HTTP GET to okcupid.com using this profiles session where the authcode is automatically added as a query parameter.

```
authcode_post(path, **kwargs) [source]
```

Perform an HTTP POST to okcupid.com using this profiles session where the authcode is automatically added as a form item.

#### LookingFor

```
class okcupyd.looking for.LookingFor(profile)
```

Represent the looking for attributes belonging to an okcupid.com profile.

```
gentation [source]
```

The sex/orientation that the user is looking for.

```
ages
        [source]
```

The age range that the user is interested in.

```
single
        [source]
```

Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are single.

near me [source] Whether the user is only interested in people that are close to them.

```
kinds
         [source]
```

The kinds of relationship that he user is looking for.

update(ages=None, single=None, near\_me=None, kinds=None, gentation=None)

Update the looking for attributes of the logged in user.

- **Parameters:** ages (tuple) The ages that the logged in user is interested in.
  - **single** (bool) Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are single.
  - near\_me (bool) Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are near them.
  - kinds (list) What kinds of relationships the user should be updated to be interested in.
  - **gentation** (*str*) The sex/orientation of people the user is interested in.

# class Ages

Ages(min, max)

max

Alias for field number 1

min

Alias for field number 0

#### Details

```
class okcupyd.details.Details(profile)
```

Represent the details belonging to an okcupid.com profile.

```
classmethod name_detail_pairs() [source]
```

refresh() [source]

id\_to\_display\_name\_value [source]

as dict [source] convert\_and\_update(data) [source] update(data) [source] bodytype The bodytype detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. orientation The orientation detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. smokes The smoking detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. drugs The drugs detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. drinks The drinking detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. job The job detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. status The status detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. monogamy The monogamous detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. children The children detail of an okcupid.com user's profile. education The education detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

#### pets

The pets detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

### diet

The diet detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## religion

The religion detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## sign

The sign detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

### height

The height detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

```
ethnicities [source]
```

The ethnicities detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

# income [source]

The income detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

```
languages [source]
```

The languages detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

#### Essays

```
class okcupyd.essay.Essays(profile) [source]
```

Interface to reading and writing essays.

# self\_summary

The contents of the essay labeled 'Self Summary'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

## my\_life

The contents of the essay labeled 'What I'm doing with my life'. Write to this attribute to

change its value for the logged in user.

## good\_at

The contents of the essay labeled 'I'm really good at'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

## people\_first\_notice

The contents of the essay labeled 'The first thing people notice about me'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

#### favorites

The contents of the essay labeled 'Favorite books, movies, shows, music, and food'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

## six\_things

The contents of the essay labeled 'Six things I could never live without'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

## think\_about

The contents of the essay labeled 'I spend a lot of time thinking about'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

#### friday night

The contents of the essay labeled 'On a typical friday night I am'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

#### private admission

The contents of the essay labeled 'The most private thing I'm willing to admit'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

#### message me if

The contents of the essay labeled 'You should message me if'. Write to this attribute to change its value for the logged in user.

## essay\_names

= ['self\_summary', 'my\_life', 'good\_at', 'people\_first\_notice', 'favorites', 'six\_things', 'think\_about', 'friday\_night', 'private\_admission', 'message\_me\_if']

A list of the attribute names that are used to store the text of of essays on instances of this class.

## PhotoUploader

class okcupyd.photo.PhotoUploader(session=None, user\_id=None, authcode=None) [source]

Upload photos to okcupid.com.

```
upload and confirm(incoming, **kwargs)
```

Upload the file to okcupid and confirm, among other things, its thumbnail position.

- Parameters: incoming A filepath string, Info object or a file like object to upload to okcupid.com. If an info object is provided, its thumbnail positioning will be used by default.
  - caption The caption to add to the photo.
  - thumb\_nail\_left For thumb nail positioning.
  - thumb\_nail\_top For thumb nail positioning.
  - thumb\_nail\_right For thumb nail positioning.
  - thumb\_nail\_bottom For thumb nail positioning.

```
delete(photo_id, album_id=0)
```

Delete a photo from the logged in users account.

Parameters: • photo\_id – The okcupid id of the photo to delete.

• album\_id – The album from which to delete the photo.

#### Info

class okcupyd.photo.Info(photo\_id, tnl, tnt, tnr, tnb)

Represent a photo that appears on a okcupid.com user's profile.

```
thumb_nail_left= None
```

The horizontal position of the left side of this photo's thumbnail.

thumb nail top= None

The vertical position of the top side of this photo's thumbnail.

thumb nail right= None

The horizontal position of the right side of this photo's thumbnail.

thumb\_nail\_bottom= None

The vertical position of the bottom side of this photo's thumbnail.

[source] jpg\_uri

**Returns:** A uri from which this photo can be downloaded in jpg format.

MessageThread

class okcupyd.messaging.MessageThread(session, thread\_element)

Represent a message thread between two users.

classmethod delete\_threads(session, thread\_ids\_or\_threads, authcode=None) [source]

- Parameters: session A logged in Session.
  - thread\_ids\_or\_threads A list whose members are either MessageThread instances or okc\_ids of message threads.
  - authcode Authcode to use for this request. If none is provided A request to the logged in user's messages page will be made to retrieve one.

messages= None

A Fetchable Of Message Objects.

[source] id

**Returns:** The id assigned to this message by okcupid.com.

correspondent\_id [source]

Returns: The id assigned to the correspondent of this message.

correspondent

Returns: The username of the user with whom the logged in user is conversing in this MessageThread .

read [source]

```
Returns: Whether or not the user has read all the messages in this MessageThread .
    initiator
                  [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the initiator of this MessageThread.
    respondent
                   [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the respondent of this MessageThread.
    correspondent_profile [source]
        Returns: The Profile of the user with whom the logged in user is conversing in this
                   MessageThread .
    user profile
                      [source]
        Returns: A Profile belonging to the logged in user.
                     [source]
    got_response
        Returns: Whether or not the MessageThread. has received a response.
    delete()
               [source]
      Delete this thread for the logged in user.
Message
class okcupyd.messaging.Message(message_element, message_thread) [source]
  Represent a message sent on okcupid.com
         [source]
   id
        Returns: The id assigned to this message by okcupid.com.
    sender [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the sender of this message.
    recipient
                  [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the recipient of this message.
```

```
content [source]
```

Returns: The text body of the message.

#### Questions

```
class okcupyd.question.Questions(session, importances=('not_important', 'little_important', 'somewhat important', 'very_important', 'mandatory'), user_id=None) [source]
```

Interface to accessing and answering questions belonging to the logged in user.

#### mandatory

A <u>Fetchable</u> of <u>UserQuestion</u> instances that correspond to questions that have been answered by the logged in user and assigned the 'mandatory' importance.

### very important

A <u>Fetchable</u> of <u>UserQuestion</u> instances that correspond to questions that have been answered by the logged in user and assigned the 'very\_important' importance.

### somewhat\_important

A Fetchable of UserQuestion instances that correspond to questions that have been answered by the logged in user and assigned the 'somewhat\_important' importance.

#### little important

A <u>Fetchable</u> of <u>UserQuestion</u> instances that correspond to questions that have been answered by the logged in user and assigned the 'little important' importance.

## not important

A Fetchable of UserQuestion instances that correspond to questions that have been answered by the logged in user and assigned the 'not\_important' importance.

```
importance_name_to_number
= {'not_important': 5, 'little_important': 4, 'mandatory': 0, 'very_important': 1,
'somewhat_important': 3}
```

Human readable importance name to integer used to represent them on okcupid.com

```
respond_from_user_question(user_question, importance) [source]
```

Respond to a question in exactly the way that is described by the given user\_question.

#### Parameters:

- user question ( UserQuestion ) The user question to respond with.
- importance (int see importance\_name\_to\_number ) The importance that should be used in responding to the question.

respond from question(question, user\_question, importance)

Copy the answer given in *question* to the logged in user's profile.

- **Parameters:** question A Question instance to copy.
  - **user\_question** An instance of **userQuestion** that corresponds to the same question as question. This is needed to retrieve the answer id from the question text answer on question.
  - importance The importance to assign to the response to the answered question.

respond(question id, user response ids, match response ids, importance, note=", is public=1, is\_new=1) [source]

Respond to an okcupid.com question.

- **Parameters:** question\_id The okcupid id used to identify this question.
  - user\_response\_ids The answer id(s) to provide to this question.
  - match\_response\_ids The answer id(s) that the user considers acceptable.
  - importance The importance to attribute to this question. See importance name to number for details.
  - note The explanation note to add to this question.
  - **is\_public** Whether or not the question answer should be made public.

clear() [source]

> USE WITH CAUTION. Delete the answer to every question that the logged in user has responded to.

Question

class okcupyd.question.Question(question\_element)

Represent a question answered by a user other than the logged in user.

Note: Because of the way that okcupid presents question data it is actually not very easy to get the index of the answer to a question that belongs to a user other than the logged in user. It is

```
possible to retrieve this value (see okcupyd.user.User.get_question_answer_id() and
   get answer id for question()), but it can take quite a few requests to do so. For this reason,
  the answer id is NOT included as an attribute on this object, despite its inclusion in
   UserQuestion .
    their answer
                     [source]
      The answer that the user whose Profile this question was retrieved from provided to this
      Question .
   my answer
                  [source]
      The answer that the user whose session was used to create this question provided.
    their answer matches
                               [source]
                     whether or not the answer provided by the user answering the question is
        Returns:
                     acceptable to the logged in user.
        Return type: rbool
   my answer matches
                          [source]
        Returns: bool indicating whether or not the answer provided by the logged in user is acceptable to
                  the user answering the question.
    their_note
                   [source]
        Returns: The note the answering user provided as explanation for their answer to this question.
   my_note
               [source]
        Returns: The note the logged in user provided as an explanation for their answer to this question.
UserQuestion
class okcupyd.question.UserQuestion(question_element)
                                                               [source]
  Represent a question answered by the logged in user.
   get answer id for question(question)
                                               [source]
      Get the answer_id corresponding to the answer given for question by looking at this
      UserQuestion 's answer options. The given Question instance must have the same id as
      this UserQuestion .
```

That this method exists is admittedly somewhat weird. Unfortunately, it seems to be the only way to retrieve this information. answer options [source] Returns: A list of Answeroption instances representing the available answers to this question. explanation [source] **Returns:** The explanation written by the logged in user for this question (if any). answer [source] Returns: A AnswerOption instance corresponding to the answer the user gave to this question. AnswerOption class okcupyd.question.AnswerOption(option\_element) is\_users [source] Returns: Whether or not this was the answer selected by the logged in user. is match [source] Returns: Whether or not this was the answer is acceptable to the logged in user. [source] text Returns: The text of this answer. [source] **Returns:** The integer index associated with this answer. SearchFetchable() okcupyd.search.SearchFetchable(session=None, \*\*kwargs) Search okcupid.com with the given parameters. Parameters are registered to this function through register\_filter\_builder() Of search\_filters .

A Fetchable Of Profile instances.

Returns:

- Parameters: session (Session) A logged in session.
  - location A location string which will be used to filter results.
  - **gender** The gender of the user performing the search.
  - keywords A list or space delimeted string of words to search for.
  - order\_by The criteria to use for ordering results. expected values: 'match', 'online', 'special blend'
  - age max (int) The maximum age of returned search results.
  - age min (int) The minimum age of returned search results.
  - attractiveness max (int) The maximum attractiveness of returned search results.
  - attractiveness\_min (int) The minimum attractiveness of returned search results.
  - bodytype (str) expected values: 'jacked', 'rather not say', 'fit', 'athletic', 'used up', 'average', 'full figured', 'overweight', 'curvy', 'thin', 'a little extra', 'skinny'
  - cats (str) expected values: 'likes cats', 'dislikes cats', 'has cats'
  - diet (str) expected values: 'anything', 'vegetarian', 'vegan', 'kosher', 'other', 'halal'
  - dogs (str) expected values: 'dislikes dogs', 'has dogs', 'likes dogs'
  - drinks (str) expected values: 'desperately', 'often', 'socially', 'very often', 'not at all', 'rarely'
  - drugs (str) expected values: 'never', 'often', 'sometimes'
  - education\_level (str) expected values: 'law school', 'two[-] year college', 'university', 'space camp', 'high ?school', 'college', 'ph.d program', 'med school', 'masters program'
  - ethnicities (str) expected values: 'latin', 'pacific islander', 'middle eastern', 'hispanic', 'indian', 'black', 'asian', 'white', 'other', 'native american'
  - gentation (str) The gentation of returned search results. expected values: 'men and women who like bi women', 'gay girls only', 'bi guys only', 'gay guys only', '', 'straight girls only', 'women who like men', 'bi men and women', 'guys who like girls', 'straight guys only', 'bi girls only', 'men and women who like bi men', 'guys and girls who like bi guys', 'both who like bi women', 'gay women only', 'gay men only', 'women', 'everybody', 'straight men only', 'girls who like girls', 'bi men only', 'both who like bi men', 'bi women only', 'guys who like guys', 'bi guys and girls', 'guys and girls who like bi girls', 'both who like bi guys', 'men who like women', 'girls who like guys', 'women who like women', 'both who like bi girls', 'straight women only', 'men who like men'
  - has\_kids expected values: 'has a kid', "doesn't have kids", 'has kids'
  - height max The maximum height of returned search results. expected values: 'A height int in inches', 'An imperial height string e.g. 5'4"', 'A metric height string e.g. 1.54m<sup>2</sup>
  - height min The minimum height of returned search results. expected values: 'A height int in inches', 'An imperial height string e.g. 5'4", 'A metric height string e.g. 1.54m<sup>2</sup>

- **income** (*str*) expected values: '\$30,000-\$40,000', '\$20,000-\$30,000', '\$80,000-\$100,000', '\$100,000-\$150,000', '\$250,000-\$500,000', 'less than \$20,000', 'More than \$1,000,000', '\$500,000-\$1,000,000', '\$60,000-\$70,000', '\$70,000-\$80,000', '\$40,000-\$50,000', '\$50,000-\$60,000', '\$150,000-\$250,000'
- **job** (*str*) expected values: 'art', 'sales', 'engineering', 'politics', 'education', 'technology', 'management', 'entertainment', 'media', 'administration', 'writing', 'other', 'music', 'medicine', 'transportation', 'finance', 'retired', 'government', 'marketing', 'unemployed', 'construction', 'student', 'hospitality', 'law', 'rather not say', 'science', 'banking', 'military'
- join\_date (int) expected values: 'week', 'year', 'day', 'hour', 'month'
- language expected values: 'portuguese', 'irish', 'chinese', 'czech', 'slovenian', 'sign language', 'hebrew', 'indonesian', 'rotuman', 'spanish', 'maori', 'slovak', 'mongolian', 'basque', 'urdu', 'polish', 'arabic', 'hungarian', 'esperanto', 'breton', 'italian', 'belarusan', 'icelandic', 'estonian', 'gujarati', 'occitan', 'serbian', 'sardinian', 'ancient greek', 'german', 'other', 'chechen', 'dutch', 'sanskrit', 'korean', 'farsi', 'hindi', 'danish', 'bulgarian', 'latin', 'khmer', 'latvian', 'hawaiian', 'ukrainian', 'welsh', 'georgian', 'lithuanian', 'malay', 'french', 'japanese', 'catalan', 'armenian', 'yiddish', 'swedish', 'russian', 'vietnamese', 'thai', 'afrikaans', 'tamil', 'cebuano', 'tagalog', 'finnish', 'norwegian', 'lisp', 'albanian', 'turkish', 'ilongo', 'romanian', 'c++', 'greek', 'persian', 'tibetan', 'frisian', 'english', 'croatian', 'swahili', 'bengali'
- last\_online (str) expected values: 'day', 'today', 'week', 'month', 'year', 'decade'
- monogamy (str) expected values: '(:?[^\-]monogamous)|(:?^monogamous)', 'non-monogamous'
- question (UserQuestion) A question whose answer should be used to match search results, or a question id. If a question id, question\_answers must be supplied.
- question\_answers (list) A list of acceptable question answer indices.
- question\_count\_min (int) The minimum number of questions answered by returned search results.
- radius (int) The maximum distance from the specified location of returned search results
- religion (str) expected values: 'judaism', 'catholicism', 'buddhism', 'christianity',
   'atheism', 'agnosticism', 'other', 'hinduism', 'islam'
- sign (str) expected values: 'libra', 'sagittarius', 'cancer', 'scorpio', 'aquarius', 'taurus', 'leo', 'virgo', 'capricorn', 'gemini', 'aries', 'pisces'
- smokes (str) expected values: 'yes', 'sometimes', 'trying to quit', 'no', 'when drinking'
- status (str) The relationship status of returned search results. expected values:
   'not single', 'married', 'single', 'any'
- wants\_kids expected values: 'wants', "doesn't want", 'might want'

```
AttractivenessFinder
class okcupyd.attractiveness finder. AttractivenessFinder(session=None)
                                                                                      [source]
  Find the attractiveness of okcupid.com users.
  This class is typically wrapped in several different attractiveness finder decorators that allow for
  cacheing of results and rounding.
    find attractiveness(username, accuracy=1000, _lower=0, _higher=10000)
                                                                                 [source]
        • username – The username to lookup attractiveness for.

    accuracy – The accuracy required to return a result.

    _lower – The lower bound of the search.

    _higher – The upper bound of the search.

Сору
class okcupyd.profile_copy.Copy(source_profile_or_user, dest_user)
  Copy photos, essays and other attributes from one profile to another.
      init (source_profile_or_user, dest_user) [source]
        Parameters: • source_profile_or_user - A User or Profile object from which to copy
                         attributes. questions () will not will not preserve the importance of copied
                         questions if a Profile instance is provided.

    dest_user – A user to which data will be copied

    questions()
                   [source]
      Copy questions to the destination user. When this class was initialized with a Profile, this
      will delete any existing questions answers on the destination account.
   photos()
               [source]
      Copy photos to the destination user.
    essays()
               [source]
      Copy essays from the source profile to the destination profile.
   looking for()
```

Copy looking for attributes from the source profile to the destination profile. details() [source] Copy details from the source profile to the destination profile. **all**() [source] Invoke all of questions() , details() , essays() , photos() , looking\_for() Statistics class okcupyd.statistics.Statistics(user, message\_threads=None, filters=(), attractiveness\_finder=None) [source] add command line options() okcupyd.util.misc.add\_command\_line\_options(add\_argument, use\_short\_options=True) [source] **Parameters:** • add\_argument – The add\_argument method of an ArgParser. • use\_short\_options - Whether or not to add short options. handle\_command\_line\_options() okcupyd.util.misc.handle command line options(args) Parameters: args – The args returned from an ArgParser **Core Objects** util class okcupyd.util.cached property(func) [source] Descriptor that caches the result of the first call to resolve its contents. bust self(obj) [source] Remove the value that is being stored on *obj* for this cached property object. Parameters: obj – The instance on which to bust the cache.

```
classmethod bust_caches(obj, excludes=())
```

Bust the cache for all cached property objects on obj

Parameters: obj - The instance on which to bust the caches.

```
class okcupyd.util.REMap(re_value_pairs=(), default=<object object at 0x7ff8d7089c40>)
```

A mapping object that matches regular expressions to values.

```
classmethod from_string_pairs(string_value_pairs, **kwargs) [source]
```

Build an REMAP from str, value pairs by applying re.compile to each string and calling the \_\_init\_\_ of REMap

```
okcupyd.util.IndexedREMap(*re_strings, **kwargs)
```

Build a REMAD from the provided regular expression string. Each string will be associated with the index corresponding to its position in the argument list.

- re\_strings The re\_strings that will serve as keys in the map.
  - default The value to return if none of the regular expressions match
  - offset The offset at which to start indexing for regular expressions defaults to 1.

#### curry

```
class okcupyd.util.currying.curry
```

Curry a function or method.

Applying curry to a function creates a callable with the same functionality that can be invoked with an incomplete argument list to create a partial application of the original function.

```
@curry
def greater_than(x, y):
  return x > y
>>> less_than_40 = greater_than(40)
>>> less_than_40(39)
True
>>> less_than_40(50)
```

curry allows functions to be partially invoked an arbitary number of times:

```
@curry
def add_5_things(a, b, c, d, e):
    return a + b + c + d + e

# All of the following invocations of add_5_things
>>> add_5_things(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)
5

one_left = add_5_things(1, 1)(3)(4) # A one place function that will
# add 1 + 1 + 3 + 4 = 9 to whatever is provided as its argument.

>>>> one_left(5)
14
>>> one_left(6)
15
```

A particular compelling use case for curry is the creation of decorators that take optional arguments:

```
@curry
def add_n(function, n=1):
    def wrapped(*args, **kwargs):
        return function(*args, **kwargs) + n
    return wrapped

@add_n(n=12)
def multiply_plus_twelve(x, y):
    return x * y

@add_n
def multiply_plus_one(x, y):
    return x * y

>>> multiply_plus_one(1, 1)
2
>>> multiply_plus_twelve(1, 1)
13
```

Notice that we were able to apply *add\_n* regardless of whether or not an optional argument had been supplied earlier.

The version of curry that is available for import has been curried itself. That is, its constructor can be invoked partially:

```
@curry(evaluation_checker=lambda *args, **kwargs: len(args) > 2)
def args_taking_function(*args):
    return reduce(lambda x, y: x*y, args)

>>> args_taking_function(1, 2)
2
```

```
>>> args_taking_function(2)(3)
6
>>> args_taking_function(2, 2, 2, 2)
16
```

```
function
alias of curry
```

#### fetchable

Most of the collection objects that are returned from function invocations in the okcupyd library are instances of Fetchable. In most cases, it is fine to treat these objects as though they are lists because they can be iterated over, sliced and accessed by index, just like lists:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer.text)

a_random_question = user.profile.questions[2]
for question in questions[2:4]:
    print(question.answer_options[0])
```

However, in some cases, it is important to be aware of the subtle differences between Fetchable objects and python lists. Fetchable construct the elements that they "contain" lazily. In most of its uses in the okcupyd library, this means that http requests can be made to populate Fetchable instances as its elments are requested.

The <code>questions</code> <code>Fetchable</code> that is used in the example above fetches the pages that are used to construct its contents in batches of 10 questions. This means that the actual call to retrieve data is made when iteration starts. If you enable the request logger when you run this code snippet, you get output that illustrates this fact:

```
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=11 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
Yes
Yes
Kiss someone.
Yes.
Yes
Sex.
Both equally
No, I wouldn't give it as a gift.
Maybe, I want to know all the important stuff.
Once or twice a week
```

```
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=21 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
No.
No
No
Yes
Rarely / never
Always.
Discovering your shared interests
The sun
Acceptable.
No.
```

Some fetchables will continue fetching content for quite a long time. The search fetchable, for example, will fetch content until okcupid runs out of search results. As such, things like:

```
for profile in user.search():
    profile.message("hey!")
```

should be avoided, as they are likely to generate a massive number of requests to okcupid.com.

Another subtlety of the <code>Fetchable</code> class is that its instances cache its contained results. This means that the second iteration over <code>okcupyd.profile.Profile.questions</code> in the example below does not result in any http requests:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.text)

for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer)
```

It is important to understand that this means that the contents of a <code>Fetchable</code> are not guarenteed to be in sync with okcupid.com the second time they are requested. Calling <code>refresh()</code> will cause the <code>Fetchable</code> to request new data from okcupid.com when its contents are requested. The code snippet that follows prints out all the questions that the logged in user has answered roughly once per hour, including ones that are answered while the program is running.

```
import time

while True:
    for question in user.profile.questions:
        print(question.text)
    user.profile.questions.refresh()
```

```
time.sleep(3600)
```

Without the call to user.profile.questions.refresh(), this program would never update the user.profile.questions instance, and thus what would be printed to the screen with each iteration of the for loop.

```
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.Fetchable(fetcher, **kwargs)
                                                             [source]
```

List-like container object that lazily loads its contained items.

```
init (fetcher, **kwargs)
```

- Parameters: fetcher An object with a fetch generator method that retrieves items for the fetchable.
  - nice\_repr Append the repr of a list containing the items that have been fetched to this point by the fetcher. Defaults to True
  - kwargs Arguments that should be passed to the fetcher when it's fetch method is called. These are stored on the fetchable so they can be passed to the fetcher whenever refresh() is called.

```
refresh(nice_repr=True, **kwargs)
                                     [source]
```

- Parameters: nice\_repr (bool) Append the repr of a list containing the items that have been fetched to this point by the fetcher.
  - kwargs kwargs that should be passed to the fetcher when its fetch method is called. These are merged with the values provided to the constructor, with the ones provided here taking precedence if there is a conflict.

```
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.SimpleProcessor(session, object factory, element xpath)
   [source]
```

Applies object\_factory to each element found with element\_xpath

Accepts session merely to be consistent with the FetchMarshall interface.

Session

```
class okcupyd.session.Session(requests_session)
```

A requests. Session with convenience methods for interacting with okcupid.com

```
classmethod login(username=None, password=None, requests_session=None)
                                                                          [source]
```

Get a session that has authenticated with okcupid.com. If no username and password is supplied, the ones stored in okcupyd.settings will be used.

```
Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.
```

• password (str) – The password to log in with.

```
get_profile(username)
                          [source]
```

Get the profile associated with the supplied username :param username: The username of the profile to retrieve.

```
get_current_user_profile() [source]
```

Get the *okcupyd.profile*.*Profile* associated with the supplied username.

Parameters: username – The username of the profile to retrieve.

```
Filters
```

```
class okcupyd.filter.Filters
                               [source]
```

Registrar for functions that construct filters for submission in requests to okcupid.com

```
build documentation lines() [source]
```

Build a parameter documentation string that can appended to the docstring of a function that uses this Filters instance to build filters.

```
register_filter_builder
```

Register a filter function with this Filters instance. This function is curried with curry that is, it can be invoked partially before it is fully evaluated. This allows us to pass kwargs to this function when it is used as a decorator:

```
@register_filter_builder(keys=('real_name',),
                         decider=Filters.any_decider)
def my_filter_function(argument):
   return '4, {0}'.format(argument)
```

- **Parameters:** function The filter function to register.
  - keys Keys that should be used as the argument names for function, if none are provided, the filter functions argument names will be used instead.
  - decider a function of signature (function, incoming\_keys, accepted\_keys) that

returns True if the filter function should be called and False otherwise. Defaults to

- acceptable\_values A list of acceptable values for the parameter of the filter function (or a list of lists if the filter function takes multiple parameters)
- types The type of the parameter accepted by the incoming filter function (or a list of types if the function takes multiple parameters)
- descriptions A description for the incoming filter function's argument (or a list
  of descriptions if the filter function takes multiple arguments)

# **Project Modules**

## okcupyd Package

okcupyd Package

```
okcupyd. init .interactive()
                                     [source]
class okcupyd. init .User(session=None)
  Bases: object
   Encapsulate a logged in okcupid user.
   copy(profile_or_user)
      Create a copy instance with the provided object as the source and this vser as the
      destination.
        Parameters: profile_or_user - A User or Profile object.
   delete threads(thread_ids_or_threads)
      Call delete_threads().
        Parameters: thread_ids_or_threads - A list whose members are either MessageThread
                     instances or okc ids of message threads.
   classmethod from credentials(username, password)
        Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.
                      • password (str) - The password to log in with.
```

## get profile(username)

Get the Profile associated with the supplied username.

Parameters: username – The username of the profile to retrieve.

```
get question answer id(question, fast=False, bust_questions_cache=False)
```

Get the index of the answer that was given to question

See the documentation for get user question() for important caveats about the use of this function.

- Parameters: question (BaseQuestion) The question whose answer id should be retrieved.
  - fast (bool) Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided.
  - bust\_questions\_cache (bool) -

```
param bust_questions_cache:
```

clear the

questions attribute of this users Profile before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not eliminate all race conditions.

```
get user question(question, fast=False, bust_questions_cache=False)
```

Get a UserQuestion corresponding to the given Question.

HUGE CAVEATS: If the logged in user has not answered the relevant question, it will automatically be answered with whatever the first answer to the question is.

For the sake of reducing the number of requests made when this function is called repeatedly this function does not bust the cache of this vser 's

okcupyd.profile.profile.questions attribute. That means that a question that HAS been answered could still be answered by this function if this [User 's questions] was populated previously (This population happens automatically - See Fetchable for details about when and how this happens).

- Parameters: question (BaseQuestion) The question for which a UserQuestion should be retrieved.
  - fast (bool) Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided.
  - bust\_questions\_cache (bool) clear the questions attribute of this users

**Profile** before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not eliminate all race conditions.

```
message(username, message_text)
```

Message an okcupid user. If an existing conversation between the logged in user and the target user can be found, reply to that thread instead of starting a new one.

**Parameters:** • username (*str*) – The username of the user to which the message should be sent.

message\_text (str) – The body of the message.

## quickmatch()

Return a **Profile** obtained by visiting the quickmatch page.

```
search(**kwargs)
```

Call searchFetchable() to get a Fetchable object that will lazily perform okcupid searches to provide Profile objects matching the search criteria.

Defaults for gender, gentation, location and radius will be provided if none are given.

**Parameters:** kwargs – See the searchFetchable() docstring for details about what parameters are available.

### username

Return the username associated with the user.

okcupyd.\_\_init\_\_.AttractivenessFinder(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

class okcupyd.\_\_init\_\_.Statistics(user, message\_threads=None, filters=(),
attractiveness\_finder=None)

Bases: object

attractiveness\_filter(attractiveness\_finder=None, min\_attractiveness=0, max\_attractiveness=10000)

average\_attractiveness

```
average_conversation_length
   average_first_message_length
   count
   has_attractiveness
   has_messages
   has response
   initiated
   no responses
   portion initiated
   portion_received
   received
   response_rate
   threads
   time_filter(min_date=None, max_date=None)
   with_filters(*filters, **kwargs)
okcupyd.__init__.save_file(filename, data)
class okcupyd.__init__.PhotoUploader(session=None, user_id=None, authcode=None)
```

```
Bases: object
  Upload photos to okcupid.com.
   confirm(pic_id, **kwargs)
   delete(photo_id, album_id=0)
      Delete a photo from the logged in users account.
        Parameters: • photo_id - The okcupid id of the photo to delete.
                      • album_id - The album from which to delete the photo.
    upload(incoming)
   upload_and_confirm(incoming, **kwargs)
      Upload the file to okcupid and confirm, among other things, its thumbnail position.
        Parameters: • incoming – A filepath string, Info object or a file like object to upload to
                         okcupid.com. If an info object is provided, its thumbnail positioning will be used
                         by default.
                      • caption – The caption to add to the photo.
                      • thumb_nail_left - For thumb nail positioning.
                      • thumb_nail_top - For thumb nail positioning.
                      • thumb_nail_right - For thumb nail positioning.
                      • thumb_nail_bottom - For thumb nail positioning.
   upload_by_filename(filename)
    upload file(file_object, image_type='jpeg')
   upload from info(info)
class okcupyd.__init__.Session(requests_session)
  Bases: object
  A requests. Session with convenience methods for interacting with okcupid.com
```

index.pdf[11/11/2019 9:05:20 AM]

```
build_path(path, secure=None)
   default login headers
    = {'user-agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_9_4) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like
    Gecko) Chrome/37.0.2062.94 Safari/537.36'}
   do login(username, password)
   get_current_user_profile()
     Get the okcupyd.profile.Profile associated with the supplied username.
        Parameters: username – The username of the profile to retrieve.
   get_profile(username)
     Get the profile associated with the supplied username :param username: The username of
     the profile to retrieve.
    classmethod login(username=None, password=None, requests_session=None)
     Get a session that has authenticated with okcupid.com. If no username and password is
     supplied, the ones stored in okcupyd.settings will be used.
        Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.
                     • password (str) - The password to log in with.
   okc_delete(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc get(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc_post(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc put(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
attractiveness_finder Module
class okcupyd.attractiveness_finder.AttractivenessFinderDecorator(attractiveness_finder=None)
   [source]
```

```
Bases: object
class okcupyd.attractiveness finder.CheckForExistenceAttractivenessFinder(attractiveness finder=None)
   [source]
  Bases: okcupyd.attractiveness_finder.AttractivenessFinderDecorator
   find attractiveness(username, *args, **kwargs)
class okcupyd.attractiveness_finder.RoundedAttractivenessFinder(attractiveness_finder=None)
  {\bf Bases:} \ {\tt okcupyd.attractiveness\_finder.AttractivenessFinderDecorator}
   find_attractiveness(*args, **kwargs)
class okcupyd.attractiveness finder.CachedAttractivenessFinder(attractiveness_finder=None)
   [source]
  Bases: okcupyd.attractiveness_finder.AttractivenessFinderDecorator
   find attractiveness(username, **kwargs)
details Module
class okcupyd.details.Detail(id_name=None, presenter=None, updater=None)
                                                                             [source]
  Bases: object
  Represent a detail belonging to an okcupid.com profile.
   NO DEFAULT= <object object at 0x7ff8d7089c10>
   classmethod comma_separated_presenter(text)
                                                   [source]
   classmethod mapping multi updater(mapping)
                                                   [source]
   classmethod auto_indexed_updater(*options)
   classmethod mapping_updater(mapping, id_name=None)
```

```
static default_updater(id_name, value)
                                            [source]
   id_name
              [source]
   update(value)
                   [source]
class okcupyd.details.DeclarativeDetail
                                             [source]
  Bases: object
   updater= None
   presenter= None
class okcupyd.details.Details(profile)
                                         [source]
  Bases: object
  Represent the details belonging to an okcupid.com profile.
   classmethod name_detail_pairs() [source]
   refresh()
              [source]
   id_to_display_name_value
                                 [source]
   as dict
             [source]
   convert_and_update(data)
                                [source]
   update(data)
                  [source]
   bodytype
     The bodytype detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
   orientation
     The orientation detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
```

### smokes

The smoking detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## drugs

The drugs detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## drinks

The drinking detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## job

The job detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

#### status

The status detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## monogamy

The monogamous detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## children

The children detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

#### education

The education detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## pets

The pets detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## diet

The diet detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## religion

The religion detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.

## sign

```
The sign detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
   height
     The height detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
    ethnicities [source]
     The ethnicities detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
    income
             [source]
     The income detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
   languages
                [source]
     The languages detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
{\tt okcupyd.details.declarative\_detail}
  alias of languages
okcupyd.details.is_declarative_detail(x)
okcupyd.details.detail
  The status detail of an okcupid.com user's profile.
errors Module
exception okcupyd.errors.AuthenticationError [source]
  Bases: exceptions.Exception
exception okcupyd.errors.NoCorrespondentError [source]
  Bases: exceptions.Exception
essay Module
class okcupyd.essay.Essays(profile)
                                      [source]
  Bases: object
```

```
Interface to reading and writing essays.
   static build_essay_property(essay_index, essay_name)
                                                             [source]
    essay names
    = ['self_summary', 'my_life', 'good_at', 'people_first_notice', 'favorites', 'six_things', 'think_about',
    'friday_night', 'private_admission', 'message_me_if']
     A list of the attribute names that are used to store the text of of essays on instances of this
      class.
    short name to title
                             [source]
   refresh()
                [source]
    favorites
   friday_night
   good_at
   message_me_if
   my_life
   people_first_notice
   private_admission
    self_summary
    six_things
    think about
filter Module
```

```
class okcupyd.filter.Filters [source]
  Bases: object
  Registrar for functions that construct filters for submission in requests to okcupid.com
   build_documentation_lines() [source]
      Build a parameter documentation string that can appended to the docstring of a function
      that uses this Filters instance to build filters.
   build paramter string(key) [source]
   static any_decider(function, incoming, accepted_keys)
                                                             [source]
    static all decider(function, incoming, accepted_keys)
                                                             [source]
    static all_not_none_decider(function, incoming, accepted_keys)
                                                                        [source]
    static any_not_none_decider(function, incoming, accepted_keys)
                                                                        [source]
    filters(**kwargs)
                         [source]
   build(**kwargs)
                      [source]
   register filter builder
      Register a filter function with this Filters instance. This function is curried with curry -
      that is, it can be invoked partially before it is fully evaluated. This allows us to pass kwargs
      to this function when it is used as a decorator:
        @register_filter_builder(keys=('real_name',),
                                 decider=Filters.any decider)
       def my_filter_function(argument):
           return '4, {0}'.format(argument)
        Parameters: • function – The filter function to register.

    keys – Keys that should be used as the argument names for function, if none are
```

provided, the filter functions argument names will be used instead.

- decider a function of signature (function, incoming\_keys, accepted\_keys) that
  returns True if the filter function should be called and False otherwise. Defaults to

  all\_not\_none\_decider()
- acceptable\_values A list of acceptable values for the parameter of the filter function (or a list of lists if the filter function takes multiple parameters)
- types The type of the parameter accepted by the incoming filter function (or a list of types if the function takes multiple parameters)
- descriptions A description for the incoming filter function's argument (or a list
  of descriptions if the filter function takes multiple arguments)

```
okcupyd.filter.gentation filter(gentation)
okcupyd.filter.age filter(age_min=18, age_max=99)
                                                       [source]
okcupyd.filter.location_filter(radius)
                                            [source]
helpers Module
class okcupyd.helpers.MessageInfo
  Bases: tuple
  MessageInfo(thread_id, message_id)
   message_id
      Alias for field number 1
    thread id
      Alias for field number 0
class okcupyd.helpers.Messager(session)
  Bases: object
  Send Messages to an okcupid user.
   {\tt message\_request\_parameters} (username, \, message, \, thread\_id, \, authcode)
                                                                           [source]
   send(username, message, authcode=None, thread id=None)
                                                             [source]
```

```
okcupyd.helpers.parse_fancydate(fancydate_text)
                                                     [source]
okcupyd.helpers.parse_date_updated(date_updated_text)
                                                            [source]
okcupyd.helpers.parse_contextual_date(date_updated_text)
                                                               [source]
okcupyd.helpers.parse_slashed_date(date_updated_text)
okcupyd.helpers.parse_abbreviated_date(date_updated_text)
                                                                [source]
okcupyd.helpers.parse_time(date_updated_text)
okcupyd.helpers.parse_day_of_the_week(date_updated_text)
                                                               [source]
okcupyd.helpers.date from weekday(weekday)
okcupyd.helpers.datetime_to_string(a_datetime)
                                                     [source]
okcupyd.helpers.get_locid(session, location) [source]
  Make a request to locquery resource to translate a string location search into an int locid.
  Returns ———- int
     An int that OKCupid maps to a particular geographical location.
okcupyd.helpers.format_last_online(last_online)
  Return the upper limit in seconds that a profile may have been online. If last online is an int,
  return that int. Otherwise if last_online is a str, convert the string into an int. Returns ———- int
okcupyd.helpers.update_looking_for(profile_tree, looking_for)
  Update looking for attribute of a Profile.
okcupyd.helpers.update details(profile_tree, details)
                                                       [source]
```

```
Update details attribute of a Profile.
okcupyd.helpers.get_default_gentation(gender, orientation)
                                                                 [source]
   Return the default gentation for the given gender and orientation.
okcupyd.helpers.replace_chars(astring)
  Replace certain unicode characters to avoid errors when trying to read various strings. Returns
   ------- str
okcupyd.helpers.add_newlines(tree)
  Add a newline character to the end of each <br/> element.
looking_for Module
okcupyd.looking_for.status_filter(status)
                                                 [source]
class okcupyd.looking for.LookingFor(profile)
   Bases: object
   Represent the looking for attributes belonging to an okcupid.com profile.
    raw_fields
                  [source]
    gentation
                 [source]
      The sex/orientation that the user is looking for.
            [source]
   ages
      The age range that the user is interested in.
    single
              [source]
      Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are single.
    near_me
               [source]
      Whether the user is only interested in people that are close to them.
   kinds
             [source]
```

```
The kinds of relationship that he user is looking for.
    update(ages=None, single=None, near_me=None, kinds=None, gentation=None)
      Update the looking for attributes of the logged in user.
         Parameters: • ages (tuple) – The ages that the logged in user is interested in.
                       • single (bool) – Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are
                          single.
                       • near_me (bool) – Whether or not the user is only interested in people that are
                          near them.
                       • kinds (list) – What kinds of relationships the user should be updated to be
                          interested in.
                       • gentation (str) – The sex/orientation of people the user is interested in.
    class Ages
      Bases: tuple
      Ages(min, max)
        max
          Alias for field number 1
        min
          Alias for field number 0
magicnumbers Module
class okcupyd.magicnumbers.maps
                                         [source]
   Bases: object
    bodytype= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f4fcd0>
    orientation= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f5b290>
    smokes = < okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65550 >
    drugs= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f655d0>
```

```
drinks= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65750>
ethnicities= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65790>
job= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f657d0>
status= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65810>
monogamy= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65850>
strictness= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65890>
has kids= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f658d0>
wants_kids= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65910>
education_status= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65950>
education_level= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65990>
religion= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f659d0>
seriousness= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65a10>
sign= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65a50>
importance= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65a90>
dogs = <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65ad0>
cats = <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65b10>
```

```
language_level = <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65b50>
   diet strictness= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65b90>
   diet= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65bd0>
   income= <okcupyd.util.REMap object at 0x7ff8d5f65c10>
class okcupyd.magicnumbers.MappingUpdater(mapping)
                                                           [source]
  Bases: object
class okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder(filter_number, mapping, offset=0)
                                                                                      [source]
  Bases: object
   get_number(values)
                         [source]
   get filter(values)
                         [source]
class okcupyd.magicnumbers.filters
  Bases: object
   bodytype= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65d10>
   smokes = <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65d50>
   drinks= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65d90>
   drugs= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65dd0>
   education_level= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65e10>
   job= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65e50>
   income= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65e90>
```

```
religion= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65ed0>
   monogamy= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65f10>
   diet= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65f50>
   sign= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65f90>
   ethnicities= <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d5f65fd0>
   dogs = <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d1856050>
   cats = <okcupyd.magicnumbers.SimpleFilterBuilder object at 0x7ff8d1856090>
okcupyd.magicnumbers.inches to centimeters(inches)
                                                          [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get_height_filter(height_min=None, height_max=None)
                                                                                [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.parse_height_string(height_string)
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get_kids_filter(has_kids=(), wants_kids=())
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get_kids_int(has_kids, wants_kids)
                                                             [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.subtract_has_kids_exponents(value)
                                                               [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.yield_exponents_of_two(value)
                                                          [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get language query(language)
                                                        [source]
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get_join_date_filter(join_date)
                                                           [source]
```

```
okcupyd.magicnumbers.get_question_filter(question, question_answers=None)
                                                                               [source]
messaging Module
okcupyd.messaging.ThreadFetcher(session, mailbox_number)
class okcupyd.messaging.ThreadHTMLFetcher(session, mailbox_number)
                                                                       [source]
  Bases: object
   fetch(start_at) [source]
class okcupyd.messaging.MessageFetcher(session, message_thread, read_messages=False)
   [source]
  Bases: object
   params [source]
   messages tree
                   [source]
               [source]
   refresh()
   fetch()
             [source]
                        [source]
   message_elements
class okcupyd.messaging.Message(message_element, message_thread)
  Bases: object
  Represent a message sent on okcupid.com
   id
        [source]
        Returns: The id assigned to this message by okcupid.com.
    sender [source]
       Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the sender of this message.
```

```
recipient
                 [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the recipient of this message.
               [source]
    content
        Returns: The text body of the message.
    time sent
                 [source]
class okcupyd.messaging.MessageThread(session, thread_element)
                                                                        [source]
  Bases: object
  Represent a message thread between two users.
    classmethod delete_threads(session, thread_ids_or_threads, authcode=None)
        Parameters: • session – A logged in Session.
                      • thread_ids_or_threads - A list whose members are either MessageThread
                        instances or okc_ids of message threads.
                      • authcode - Authcode to use for this request. If none is provided A request to the
                        logged in user's messages page will be made to retrieve one.
   messages= None
      A Fetchable Of Message Objects.
   id
        [source]
        Returns: The id assigned to this message by okcupid.com.
    correspondent_id [source]
        Returns: The id assigned to the correspondent of this message.
    correspondent [source]
        Returns: The username of the user with whom the logged in user is conversing in this
                   MessageThread
```

```
[source]
    read
        Returns: Whether or not the user has read all the messages in this MessageThread.
    date
            [source]
    datetime
                 [source]
    with_deleted_user
    initiator
                  [source]
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the initiator of this MessageThread.
                   [source]
    respondent
        Returns: A Profile instance belonging to the respondent of this MessageThread.
    correspondent_profile [source]
        Returns: The Profile of the user with whom the logged in user is conversing in this
                   MessageThread
    user_profile
                      [source]
        Returns: A Profile belonging to the logged in user.
    message_count [source]
    has_messages
                      [source]
                     [source]
    got response
        Returns: Whether or not the MessageThread. has received a response.
               [source]
    delete()
      Delete this thread for the logged in user.
photo Module
```

```
class okcupyd.photo.PhotoUploader(session=None, user_id=None, authcode=None)
                                                                                          [source]
  Bases: object
  Upload photos to okcupid.com.
   upload(incoming)
                         [source]
    upload from info(info)
                                [source]
   upload_by_filename(filename)
                                       [source]
   upload_file(file_object, image_type='jpeg')
                                                   [source]
    confirm(pic_id, **kwargs)
                                 [source]
   upload_and_confirm(incoming, **kwargs)
      Upload the file to okcupid and confirm, among other things, its thumbnail position.
        Parameters: • incoming – A filepath string, Info object or a file like object to upload to
                         okcupid.com. If an info object is provided, its thumbnail positioning will be used
                         by default.
                       • caption – The caption to add to the photo.
                       • thumb_nail_left - For thumb nail positioning.
                       • thumb_nail_top - For thumb nail positioning.
                       • thumb_nail_right - For thumb nail positioning.

    thumb_nail_bottom – For thumb nail positioning.

   delete(photo_id, album_id=0) [source]
      Delete a photo from the logged in users account.
        Parameters: • photo_id - The okcupid id of the photo to delete.
                       • album_id - The album from which to delete the photo.
class okcupyd.photo.Info(photo_id, tnl, tnt, tnr, tnb)
  Bases: object
```

Represent a photo that appears on a okcupid.com user's profile.

base uri= 'https://k0.okccdn.com/php/load\_okc\_image.php/images/'

cdn re= <\_sre.SRE\_Pattern object at 0x162bb90>

classmethod from\_cdn\_uri(cdn\_uri) [source

```
thumb nail left= None
```

The horizontal position of the left side of this photo's thumbnail.

```
thumb_nail_top= None
```

The vertical position of the top side of this photo's thumbnail.

```
thumb_nail_right= None
```

The horizontal position of the right side of this photo's thumbnail.

```
thumb_nail_bottom= None
```

The vertical position of the bottom side of this photo's thumbnail.

```
jpg_uri [source]
```

Returns: A uri from which this photo can be downloaded in jpg format.

profile Module

class okcupyd.profile.Profile(session, username, \*\*kwargs) [source]

Bases: object

Represent the profile of an okcupid user.

Many of the attributes on this object are cached\_property instances which lazily load their values, and cache them once they have been accessed. This makes it so that this object avoids making unnecessary HTTP requests to retrieve the same piece of information twice.

Because of this caching behavior, care must be taken to invalidate cached attributes on the object if an up to date view of the profile is needed. It is recommended that you call refresh() to accomplish this, but it is also possible to use bust\_self() to bust individual properties if necessary.

```
username= None
```

The username of the user to whom this profile belongs.

```
questions = None
```

A <u>Fetchable</u> of <u>Question</u> instances, each corresponding to a question that has been answered by the user to whom this profile belongs. The fetchable consists of <u>UserQuestion</u> instead when the profile belongs to the logged in user.

```
details= None
```

A Details instance belonging to the same user that this profile belongs to.

```
refresh(reload=False) [source]
```

**Parameters:** reload – Make the request to return a new profile tree. This will result in the caching of the profile tree attribute. The new profile tree will be returned.

```
is_logged_in_user [source]
```

**Returns:** True if this profile and the session it was created with belong to the same user and False otherwise.

```
profile tree [source]
```

Returns: a <code>lxml.etree</code> created from the html of the profile page of the account associated with the username that this profile was insantiated with.

```
message_request_parameters(content, thread_id) [source]
authcode [source]
```

```
photo_infos [source]
```

Returns: list of Info instances for each photo displayed on okcupid.

```
looking_for [source]
```

**Returns:** A **LookingFor** instance associated with this profile.

rating [source]

Deprecated. Use liked() instead. Returns: the rating that the logged in user has given this user or 0 if no rating has been given. liked [source] Returns: Whether or not the logged in user liked this profile [source] contacted A boolean indicating whether the logged in user has contacted the owner of this profile. responds [source] Returns: The frequency with which the user associated with this profile responds to messages. id [source] Returns: The id that okcupid.com associates with this profile. essays [source] Returns: A Essays instance that is associated with this profile. [source] age Returns: The age of the user associated with this profile. match\_percentage [source] Returns: The match percentage of the logged in user and the user associated with this object. enemy\_percentage [source] Returns: The enemy percentage of the logged in user and the user associated with this object. location [source] Returns: The location of the user associated with this profile. gender [source] The gender of the user associated with this profile.

```
orientation [source]
          [source]
```

The sexual orientation of the user associated with this profile.

message

Message the user associated with this profile.

- **Parameters:** message The message to send to this user.
  - thread\_id The id of the thread to respond to, if any.

```
attractiveness
                   [source]
```

Returns: The average attractiveness rating given to this profile by the okcupid.com community.

```
toggle_like()
                [source]
```

Toggle whether or not the logged in user likes this profile.

like() [source]

Like this profile.

unlike() [source]

Unlike this profile.

rate(rating) [source]

> Rate this profile as the user that was logged in with the session that this object was instantiated with.

**Parameters:** rating – The rating to give this user.

find question(question\_id, question\_fetchable=None)

- **Parameters:** question\_id The id of the question to search for
  - question\_fetchable The question fetchable to iterate through if none is provided self.questions will be used.

question\_fetchable(\*\*kwargs) [source] **Returns:** A Fetchable instance that contains objects representing the answers that the user associated with this profile has given to okcupid.com match questions.

```
authcode get(path, **kwargs) [source]
```

Perform an HTTP GET to okcupid.com using this profiles session where the authcode is automatically added as a query parameter.

```
authcode_post(path, **kwargs) [source]
```

Perform an HTTP POST to okcupid.com using this profiles session where the authcode is automatically added as a form item.

## profile\_copy Module

```
class okcupyd.profile_copy.Copy(source_profile_or_user, dest_user) [source]
Bases: object
```

Copy photos, essays and other attributes from one profile to another.

```
copy_methods=['photos', 'essays', 'looking_for', 'details', 'questions']
```

```
questions() [source]
```

Copy questions to the destination user. When this class was initialized with a **Profile**, this will delete any existing questions answers on the destination account.

```
photos() [source]
```

Copy photos to the destination user.

```
essays() [source]
```

Copy essays from the source profile to the destination profile.

```
looking_for() [source]
```

Copy looking for attributes from the source profile to the destination profile.

```
details() [source]
```

Copy details from the source profile to the destination profile.

all() [source]

```
Invoke all of questions() |, details() |, essays() |, photos() |, looking_for()
question Module
class okcupyd.question.BaseQuestion(question_element)
  Bases: object
  The abstract abse class of <code>Question</code> and <code>UserQuestion</code> . Contains all the shared functinality of
  the aforementined classes. The two are quite different in some ways and can not always be
  used interchangably. See their respective docstrings for more details.
   answered [source]
   id
         [source]
        Returns: The integer id given to this question by okcupid.com.
    text
           [source]
class okcupyd.question.Question(question_element)
                                                         [source]
  Bases: okcupyd.question.BaseQuestion
  Represent a question answered by a user other than the logged in user.
  Note: Because of the way that okcupid presents question data it is actually not very easy to get
  the index of the answer to a question that belongs to a user other than the logged in user. It is
  possible to retrieve this value (see okcupyd.user.get_question_answer_id() and
   get answer id for question() ), but it can take quite a few requests to do so. For this reason,
  the answer id is NOT included as an attribute on this object, despite its inclusion in
   UserQuestion .
   return_none_if_unanswered(function)
                                              [source]
    their answer [source]
      The answer that the user whose Profile this question was retrieved from provided to this
      Question .
   my_answer
                 [source]
      The answer that the user whose session was used to create this question provided.
```

their answer matches [source] whether or not the answer provided by the user answering the question is Returns: acceptable to the logged in user. Return type: rbool my\_answer\_matches [source] Returns: bool indicating whether or not the answer provided by the logged in user is acceptable to the user answering the question. their note [source] Returns: The note the answering user provided as explanation for their answer to this question. my note [source] Returns: The note the logged in user provided as an explanation for their answer to this question. class okcupyd.question.UserQuestion(question\_element) [source] Bases: okcupyd.question.BaseQuestion Represent a question answered by the logged in user. get\_answer\_id\_for\_question(question) [source] Get the answer id corresponding to the answer given for question by looking at this UserQuestion 's answer\_options. The given Question instance must have the same id as this UserQuestion . That this method exists is admittedly somewhat weird. Unfortunately, it seems to be the only way to retrieve this information. answer id [source] answer options [source] Returns: A list of Answeroption instances representing the available answers to this question. explanation [source] Returns: The explanation written by the logged in user for this question (if any).

```
answer text to option [source]
    answer
             [source]
        Returns: A AnswerOption instance corresponding to the answer the user gave to this question.
class okcupyd.question.AnswerOption(option_element)
                                                             [source]
  Bases: object
                [source]
   is users
        Returns: Whether or not this was the answer selected by the logged in user.
    is_match
                [source]
        Returns: Whether or not this was the answer is acceptable to the logged in user.
    text
            [source]
        Returns: The text of this answer.
   id
         [source]
        Returns: The integer index associated with this answer.
class okcupyd.question.Questions(session, importances=('not_important', 'little_important',
'somewhat important', 'very important', 'mandatory'), user id=None)
  Bases: object
  Interface to accessing and answering questions belonging to the logged in user.
   headers
    = {'origin': 'https://www.okcupid.com', 'accept-language': 'en-US,en;q=0.8', 'accept-encoding':
    'gzip,deflate', 'accept': 'application/json, text/javascript, */*; q=0.01', 'referer':
    'https://www.okcupid.com/questions', 'x-requested-with': 'XMLHttpRequest', 'content-type':
    'application/x-www-form-urlencoded; charset=UTF-8'}
    importance_name_to_number
    = {'not_important': 5, 'little_important': 4, 'mandatory': 0, 'very_important': 1,
    'somewhat_important': 3}
      Human readable importance name to integer used to represent them on okcupid.com
```

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```
path= 'questions/ask'
```

```
respond from user question(user_question, importance)
                                                         [source]
```

Respond to a question in exactly the way that is described by the given user question.

- Parameters: user\_question ( UserQuestion ) The user question to respond with.
  - importance (int see importance name to number ) The importance that should be used in responding to the question.

```
respond_from_question(question, user_question, importance)
```

Copy the answer given in *question* to the logged in user's profile.

- **Parameters:** question A Question instance to copy.
  - user\_question An instance of userquestion that corresponds to the same question as question. This is needed to retrieve the answer id from the question text answer on question.
  - **importance** The importance to assign to the response to the answered question.

```
respond(question_id, user_response_ids, match_response_ids, importance, note=", is_public=1,
is_new=1) [source]
```

Respond to an okcupid.com question.

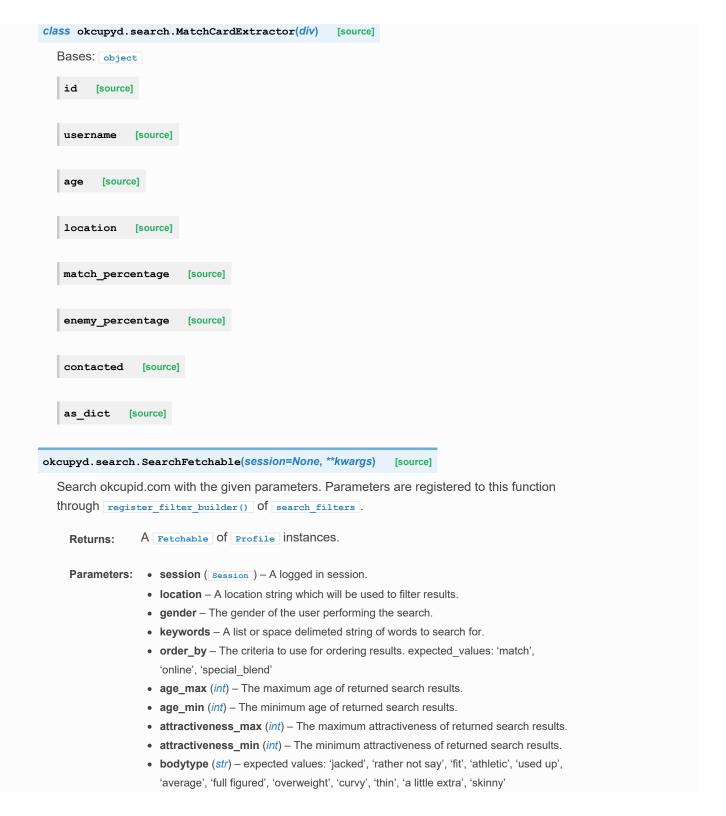
- **Parameters:** question\_id The okcupid id used to identify this question.
  - user\_response\_ids The answer id(s) to provide to this question.
  - match\_response\_ids The answer id(s) that the user considers acceptable.
  - importance The importance to attribute to this question. See importance name to number for details.
  - **note** The explanation note to add to this question.
  - **is\_public** Whether or not the question answer should be made public.

```
clear()
          [source]
```

USE WITH CAUTION. Delete the answer to every question that the logged in user has responded to.

okcupyd.question.QuestionProcessor(question\_class) [source]

```
class okcupyd.question.QuestionHTMLFetcher(session, uri, **additional_parameters)
                                                                                          [source]
  Bases: object
    classmethod from username(session, username, **kwargs)
                                                                  [source]
    fetch(start at)
                     [source]
okcupyd.question.QuestionFetcher(session, username, question class=<class
'okcupyd.question.Question'>, is_user=False, **kwargs)
search Module
okcupyd.search.search filters
= Filters([<function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171a410>, <function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171ab90>,
<function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171ad70>, <function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171a8c0>, <function</p>
attractiveness_filter at 0x7ff8d171a140>, <function question_count_filter at 0x7ff8d171a1b8>,
<function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171a9b0>, <function get_kids_filter at 0x7ff8d18541b8>, <function</p>
status_filter at 0x7ff8d171a2a8>, <function get_question_filter at 0x7ff8d1854488>, <function
get_language_query at 0x7ff8d1854398>, <function age_filter at 0x7ff8d1854c08>, <function
get join_date filter at 0x7ff8d1854410>, <function option_filter at 0x7ff8d172b0c8>, <function
location filter at 0x7ff8d1854c80>, <function get height filter at 0x7ff8d18540c8>, <function
option filter at 0x7ff8d171ac80>, <function option filter at 0x7ff8d171a500>, <function
last_online_filter at 0x7ff8d171a230>, <function gentation_filter at 0x7ff8d1854578>, <function
option filter at 0x7ff8d171a5f0>, <function option filter at 0x7ff8d171ae60>, <function option filter at
0x7ff8d171a6e0>, <function option filter at 0x7ff8d171a7d0>, <function option filter at
0x7ff8d171af50>, <function option_filter at 0x7ff8d171aaa0>])
  A Filters object that stores all of the filters that are accepted by searchFetchable().
okcupyd.search.attractiveness filter(attractiveness_min, attractiveness_max)
                                                                                       [source]
okcupyd.search.question count filter(question_count_min)
okcupyd.search.last online filter(last_online)
                                                       [source]
okcupyd.search.status filter(status)
                                            [source]
okcupyd.search.build option filter(key)
                                                 [source]
```



- cats (str) expected values: 'likes cats', 'dislikes cats', 'has cats'
- diet (str) expected values: 'anything', 'vegetarian', 'vegan', 'kosher', 'other', 'halal'
- dogs (str) expected values: 'dislikes dogs', 'has dogs', 'likes dogs'
- drinks (str) expected values: 'desperately', 'often', 'socially', 'very often', 'not at all', 'rarely'
- drugs (str) expected values: 'never', 'often', 'sometimes'
- education\_level (str) expected values: 'law school', 'two[-]year college',
   'university', 'space camp', 'high ?school', 'college', 'ph.d program', 'med school',
   'masters program'
- **ethnicities** (*str*) expected values: 'latin', 'pacific islander', 'middle eastern', 'hispanic', 'indian', 'black', 'asian', 'white', 'other', 'native american'
- gentation (str) The gentation of returned search results. expected values: 'men and women who like bi women', 'gay girls only', 'bi guys only', 'gay guys only', '', 'straight girls only', 'women who like men', 'bi men and women', 'guys who like girls', 'straight guys only', 'bi girls only', 'men and women who like bi men', 'guys and girls who like bi guys', 'both who like bi women', 'gay women only', 'gay men only', 'women', 'everybody', 'straight men only', 'girls who like girls', 'bi men only', 'both who like bi men', 'bi women only', 'guys who like guys', 'bi guys and girls', 'guys and girls who like bi girls', 'both who like bi guys', 'men who like women', 'girls who like guys', 'women who like women', 'both who like bi girls', 'straight women only', 'men who like men'
- has\_kids expected values: 'has a kid', "doesn't have kids", 'has kids'
- height\_max The maximum height of returned search results. expected values: 'A
  height int in inches', 'An imperial height string e.g. 5'4", 'A metric height string e.g.
  1.54m'
- height\_min The minimum height of returned search results. expected values: 'A
  height int in inches', 'An imperial height string e.g. 5'4"', 'A metric height string e.g.
  1.54m'
- **income** (*str*) expected values: '\$30,000-\$40,000', '\$20,000-\$30,000', '\$80,000-\$100,000', '\$100,000-\$150,000', '\$250,000-\$500,000', 'less than \$20,000', 'More than \$1,000,000', '\$500,000-\$1,000,000', '\$60,000-\$70,000', '\$70,000-\$80,000', '\$40,000-\$50,000', '\$50,000-\$60,000', '\$150,000-\$250,000'
- job (str) expected values: 'art', 'sales', 'engineering', 'politics', 'education', 
  'technology', 'management', 'entertainment', 'media', 'administration', 'writing', 'other', 
  'music', 'medicine', 'transportation', 'finance', 'retired', 'government', 'marketing', 
  'unemployed', 'construction', 'student', 'hospitality', 'law', 'rather not say', 'science', 
  'banking', 'military'
- join\_date (int) expected values: 'week', 'year', 'day', 'hour', 'month'
- language expected values: 'portuguese', 'irish', 'chinese', 'czech', 'slovenian', 'sign language', 'hebrew', 'indonesian', 'rotuman', 'spanish', 'maori', 'slovak', 'mongolian',

'basque', 'urdu', 'polish', 'arabic', 'hungarian', 'esperanto', 'breton', 'italian', 'belarusan', 'icelandic', 'estonian', 'gujarati', 'occitan', 'serbian', 'sardinian', 'ancient greek', 'german', 'other', 'chechen', 'dutch', 'sanskrit', 'korean', 'farsi', 'hindi', 'danish', 'bulgarian', 'latin', 'khmer', 'latvian', 'hawaiian', 'ukrainian', 'welsh', 'georgian', 'lithuanian', 'malay', 'french', 'japanese', 'catalan', 'armenian', 'yiddish', 'swedish', 'russian', 'vietnamese', 'thai', 'afrikaans', 'tamil', 'cebuano', 'tagalog', 'finnish', 'norwegian', 'lisp', 'albanian', 'turkish', 'ilongo', 'romanian', 'c++', 'greek', 'persian', 'tibetan', 'frisian', 'english', 'croatian', 'swahili', 'bengali'

- last\_online (str) expected values: 'day', 'today', 'week', 'month', 'year', 'decade'
- monogamy (str) expected values: '(:?[^\-]monogamous)|(:?^monogamous)', 'non-monogamous'
- question (UserQuestion) A question whose answer should be used to match search results, or a question id. If a question id, question\_answers must be supplied.
- question\_answers (list) A list of acceptable question answer indices.
- question\_count\_min (int) The minimum number of questions answered by returned search results.
- radius (int) The maximum distance from the specified location of returned search results.
- religion (str) expected values: 'judaism', 'catholicism', 'buddhism', 'christianity',
   'atheism', 'agnosticism', 'other', 'hinduism', 'islam'
- sign (str) expected values: 'libra', 'sagittarius', 'cancer', 'scorpio', 'aquarius', 'taurus', 'leo', 'virgo', 'capricorn', 'gemini', 'aries', 'pisces'
- smokes (str) expected values: 'yes', 'sometimes', 'trying to quit', 'no', 'when drinking'
- status (str) The relationship status of returned search results. expected values: 'not single', 'married', 'single', 'any'
- wants\_kids expected values: 'wants', "doesn't want", 'might want'

```
Class okcupyd.search.SearchHTMLFetcher(session=None, **options) [source]

Bases: object

fetch(start_at=None, count=None) [source]

okcupyd.search.search(session=None, count=1, **kwargs) [source]

session Module

class okcupyd.session.Session(requests_session) [source]
```

```
Bases: object
  A requests. Session with convenience methods for interacting with okcupid.com
    default_login_headers
    = {'user-agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_9_4) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like
    Gecko) Chrome/37.0.2062.94 Safari/537.36}
    classmethod login(username=None, password=None, requests_session=None)
      Get a session that has authenticated with okcupid.com. If no username and password is
      supplied, the ones stored in okcupyd.settings will be used.
        Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.

    password (str) – The password to log in with.

   do login(username, password)
                                     [source]
   build path(path, secure=None)
                                     [source]
   get profile(username)
                              [source]
      Get the profile associated with the supplied username :param username: The username of
      the profile to retrieve.
    get_current_user_profile()
      Get the okcupyd.profile.Profile associated with the supplied username.
        Parameters: username – The username of the profile to retrieve.
   okc_delete(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc_get(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc_post(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
   okc put(path, secure=None, **kwargs)
okcupyd.session.build_okc_method(method_name)
                                                       [source]
```

# settings Module

Module where the default username and password for logging in to okcupid are housed.

```
okcupyd.settings.USERNAME= None
```

The username that will be used to log in to okcupid

```
okcupyd.settings.PASSWORD= None
```

The password that will be used to log in to okcupid

## statistics Module

```
class okcupyd.statistics.Statistics(user, message_threads=None, filters=(),
attractiveness_finder=None) [source]
  Bases: object
    threads [source]
   has messages
                    [source]
   has_response
                    [source]
   no responses
                    [source]
   initiated
                [source]
   received
               [source]
   has attractiveness [source]
   time_filter(min_date=None, max_date=None) [source]
   attractiveness filter(attractiveness_finder=None, min_attractiveness=0,
   max_attractiveness=10000)
                              [source]
```

```
with_filters(*filters, **kwargs) [source]
   count [source]
   response_rate
                    [source]
   average_first_message_length
                                      [source]
   average conversation length
                                     [source]
   average_attractiveness
                               [source]
   portion initiated [source]
   portion_received
user Module
class okcupyd.user.User(session=None)
                                         [source]
  Bases: object
  Encapsulate a logged in okcupid user.
   classmethod from_credentials(username, password)
       Parameters: • username (str) – The username to log in with.
                     • password (str) – The password to log in with.
   profile= None
     A Profile object belonging to the logged in user.
   inbox= None
     A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the
      user's inbox.
```

## outbox= None

A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the user's outbox.

## drafts= None

A Fetchable of MessageThread objects corresponding to messages that are currently in the user's drafts folder.

## visitors= None

A Fetchable of Profile objects of okcupid.com users that have visited the user's profile.

## questions = None

A Questions object that is instantiated with the owning vser instance's session.

# attractiveness\_finder= None

An <u>\_AttractivenessFinder</u> object that is instantiated with the owning <u>\_user</u> instance's session.

# photo= None

A PhotoUploader that is instantiated with the owning User instance's session.

```
get_profile(username) [source]
```

Get the Profile associated with the supplied username.

Parameters: username - The username of the profile to retrieve.

# username [source]

Return the username associated with the User.

# message(username, message\_text) [source]

Message an okcupid user. If an existing conversation between the logged in user and the target user can be found, reply to that thread instead of starting a new one.

- username (str) The username of the user to which the message should be sent.
  - message\_text (str) The body of the message

```
search(**kwargs)
                    [source]
  Call | searchFetchable() | to get a | Fetchable | object that will lazily perform okcupid searches
  to provide Profile objects matching the search criteria.
  Defaults for gender, gentation, location and radius will be provided if none are given.
    Parameters: kwargs - See the searchFetchable() docstring for details about what parameters
                  are available
delete threads(thread_ids_or_threads) [source]
  Call delete_threads() .
    Parameters: thread ids or threads - A list whose members are either MessageThread
                 instances or okc ids of message threads.
get user question(question, fast=False, bust_questions_cache=False)
                                                                           [source]
  Get a UserQuestion corresponding to the given Question.
  HUGE CAVEATS: If the logged in user has not answered the relevant question, it will
  automatically be answered with whatever the first answer to the question is.
  For the sake of reducing the number of requests made when this function is called
  repeatedly this function does not bust the cache of this vser 's
   okcupyd.profile.Profile.questions | attribute. That means that a question that HAS been
  answered could still be answered by this function if this ver 's questions was populated
  previously (This population happens automatically - See Fetchable for details about when
  and how this happens).
    Parameters: • question (BaseQuestion) - The question for which a UserQuestion should be
                     retrieved.
                   • fast (bool) - Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if
                     arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided.
                   • bust_questions_cache (bool) - clear the questions attribute of this users
                      Profile before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not
                     eliminate all race conditions.
```

[source]

get question answer id(question, fast=False, bust\_questions\_cache=False)

Get the index of the answer that was given to question

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See the documentation for get user question() for important caveats about the use of this function. Parameters: • question (BaseQuestion) - The question whose answer\_id should be retrieved. • fast (bool) - Don't try to look through the users existing questions to see if arbitrarily answering the question can be avoided. bust\_questions\_cache (bool) param bust\_questions\_cache: clear the questions attribute of this users Profile before looking for an existing answer. Be aware that even this does not eliminate all race conditions. quickmatch() [source] Return a Profile obtained by visiting the quickmatch page. copy(profile\_or\_user) [source] Create a copy instance with the provided object as the source and this vser as the destination. Parameters: profile\_or\_user - A User or Profile object. xpath Module class okcupyd.xpath.XPathBuilder(nodes=(), relative=True, direct\_child=False) Bases: object xpath [source] [source] ortext [source] add node(\*\*kwargs) [source] update final node(updated\_final\_node) [source]

```
attribute_contains(attribute, contains_string)
                                                     [source]
   with_classes(*classes)
                              [source]
    select_attribute_(attribute, elem=None)
                                                [source]
    text_contains_(contained_text) [source]
   with_class(*classes)
   apply_(tree)
                   [source]
   one_(tree)
                [source]
   get_text_(tree)
                      [source]
class okcupyd.xpath.XPathNode(element=**', attributes=None, predicates=None, direct_child=False,
use_or=False, selected_attribute=None) [source]
  Bases: object
   text= <object object at 0x7ff8d7089c30>
   static contains_class(class_attribute, contained_class)
                                                             [source]
   static contains_attribute(attribute, contained_string)
                                                             [source]
    static attribute_equal(attribute, value)
   make_or
               [source]
    separator
                 [source]
   xpath
            [source]
```

```
predicate_joiner [source]
    predicate string
                       [source]
    selected_attribute_string
    with_classes(classes)
                            [source]
    add_contains_predicates(kv_pairs) [source]
    text_contains(contained_text)
                                   [source]
okcupyd.xpath.xpb
Subpackages
db Package
db Package
class okcupyd.db.Query(entities, session=None)
                                                [source]
   Bases: sqlalchemy.orm.query.Query
class okcupyd.db.txn(session_class=None)
                                           [source]
   Bases: object
okcupyd.db.with_txn(function, instance, args, kwargs)
class okcupyd.db.OKCBase(**kwargs)
   Bases: sqlalchemy.ext.declarative.api.Base
    okc_id= Column(None, StringBackedInteger(), table=None, nullable=False)
```

```
okcupyd.db.reset engine(engine)
                                    [source]
okcupyd.db.set_sqlite_db_file(file_path)
                                            [source]
adapters Module
class okcupyd.db.adapters.UserAdapter(profile)
                                                  [source]
  Bases: object
   build(session)
                    [source]
   get no txn(session)
                          [source]
   get(session)
class okcupyd.db.adapters.ThreadAdapter(thread)
                                                    [source]
  Bases: object
   add_messages()
                     [source]
                   [source]
   get thread()
mailbox Module
class okcupyd.db.mailbox.Sync(user)
  Bases: object
  Sync messages from a users inbox to the okc database.
   all() [source]
   update_mailbox
                      [source]
     Update the mailbox associated with the given mailbox name.
   inbox
```

```
Update the mailbox associated with the given mailbox name.
   outbox
     Update the mailbox associated with the given mailbox name.
types Module
class okcupyd.db.types.JSONType(*args, **kwargs)
                                                   [source]
  Bases: sqlalchemy.sql.type_api.TypeDecorator
   impl
     alias of varchar
   process_bind_param(value, dialect) [source]
   process_result_value(value, dialect)
                                         [source]
class okcupyd.db.types.StringBackedInteger(*args, **kwargs)
                                                                [source]
  Bases: sqlalchemy.sql.type_api.TypeDecorator
   impl
     alias of varchar
   process_bind_param(value, dialect)
   process_result_value(value, dialect)
                                         [source]
user Module
okcupyd.db.user.have_messaged_by_username_no_txn(session, username_one, username_two)
   [source]
okcupyd.db.user.have_messaged_by_username(session, username_one, username_two)
   [source]
```

```
okcupyd.db.user.and_(*clauses)
```

Produce a conjunction of expressions joined by AND.

E.g.:

The and o conjunction is also available using the Python operator (though note that compound expressions need to be parenthesized in order to function with Python operator precedence behavior):

The <code>and\_()</code> operation is also implicit in some cases; the <code>select.where()</code> method for example can be invoked multiple times against a statement, which will have the effect of each clause being combined using <code>and\_()</code>:

```
□ See also
or_()
```

```
okcupyd.db.user.or_(*clauses)
```

Produce a conjunction of expressions joined by or.

E.g.:

```
from sqlalchemy import or_
```

The or () conjunction is also available using the Python operator (though note that compound expressions need to be parenthesized in order to function with Python operator precedence behavior):

```
□ See also
and_()
```

# **Subpackages**

recipient

```
model Package¶
message Module¶

class okcupyd.db.model.message.Message(**kwargs) [source]

Bases: okcupyd.db.OKCBase

time_sent

message_thread_id

sender_id

sender

recipient_id
```

```
text
thread_index
created_at
id
okc_id
```

okcupyd.db.model.message.relationship(argument, secondary=None, primaryjoin=None, secondaryjoin=None, foreign\_keys=None, uselist=None, order\_by=False, backref=None, back\_populates=None, post\_update=False, cascade=False, extension=None, viewonly=False, lazy=True, collection\_class=None, passive\_deletes=False, passive\_updates=True, remote\_side=None, enable\_typechecks=True, join\_depth=None, comparator\_factory=None, single\_parent=False, innerjoin=False, distinct\_target\_key=None, doc=None, active\_history=False, cascade\_backrefs=True, load\_on\_pending=False, strategy\_class=None, \_local\_remote\_pairs=None, query\_class=None, info=None)

Provide a relationship between two mapped classes.

This corresponds to a parent-child or associative table relationship. The constructed class is an instance of RelationshipProperty.

A typical relationship(), used in a classical mapping:

```
mapper(Parent, properties={
   'children': relationship(Child)
})
```

Some arguments accepted by <code>relationship()</code> optionally accept a callable function, which when called produces the desired value. The callable is invoked by the parent <code>Mapper</code> at "mapper initialization" time, which happens only when mappers are first used, and is assumed to be after all mappings have been constructed. This can be used to resolve order-of-declaration and other dependency issues, such as if <code>child</code> is declared below <code>Parent</code> in the same file:

When using the declarative toplevel extension, the Declarative initializer allows string arguments to be passed to relationship(). These string arguments are converted into callables that evaluate the string as Python code, using the Declarative class-registry as a namespace. This allows the lookup of related classes to be automatic via their string name, and removes the need to import related classes at all into the local module space:

```
from sqlalchemy.ext.declarative import declarative base
Base = declarative base()
class Parent (Base):
    tablename = 'parent'
   id = Column(Integer, primary key=True)
   children = relationship("Child", order_by="Child.id")
```

#### See also

relationship\_config\_toplevel - Full introductory and reference documentation for relationship() .

orm\_tutorial\_relationship - ORM tutorial introduction.

## Parameters: • argument -

a mapped class, or actual Mapper instance, representing the target of the relationship.

:paramref:`~.relationship.argument` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### See also

declarative\_configuring\_relationships - further detail on relationship configuration when using Declarative.

#### secondary –

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:paramref:`~.relationship.secondary` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time. When using Declarative, it may also be a string argument noting the name of a Table that is present in the MetaData collection associated with the parent-mapped Table.

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#### ☐ See also

relationships\_many\_to\_many - Reference example of "many to many".

orm\_tutorial\_many\_to\_many - ORM tutorial introduction to many-tomany relationships.

self\_referential\_many\_to\_many - Specifics on using many-to-many in a self-referential case.

declarative\_many\_to\_many - Additional options when using Declarative.

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indicates the string name of a property to be placed on the related mapper's class that will handle this relationship in the other direction. The other property will be created automatically when the mappers are configured. Can also be passed as a backref() object to control the configuration of the new relationship.

## ☐ See also

relationships\_backref - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`~.relationship.back\_populates` - alternative form of backref specification.

backref() - allows control over relationship() configuration when using :paramref:`~.relationship.backref`.

## • back populates -

Takes a string name and has the same meaning as :paramref:`~.relationship.backref`, except the complementing property is not created automatically, and instead must be configured explicitly on the other mapper. The complementing property should also indicate :paramref:`~.relationship.back\_populates` to this relationship to ensure proper functioning.

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#### See also

unitofwork\_cascades - Full detail on each of the available cascade options.

tutorial\_delete\_cascade - Tutorial example describing a delete cascade.

## • cascade\_backrefs=True -

a boolean value indicating if the <code>save-update</code> cascade should operate along an assignment event intercepted by a backref. When set to <code>False</code>, the attribute managed by this relationship will not cascade an incoming transient object into the session of a persistent parent, if the event is received via backref.

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backref\_cascade - Full discussion and examples on how the :paramref:`~.relationship.cascade\_backrefs` option is used.

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a class or callable that returns a new list-holding object. will be used in place of a plain list for storing elements.

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custom\_collections - Introductory documentation and examples.

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a class which extends RelationshipProperty.comparator Which provides custom SQL clause generation for comparison operations.

#### ☐ See also

PropComparator - some detail on redefining comparators at this level.

custom\_comparators - Brief intro to this feature.

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Indicate if a "subquery" eager load should apply the DISTINCT keyword to the innermost SELECT statement. When left as None, the DISTINCT keyword will be applied in those cases when the target columns do not comprise the full primary key of the target table. When set to True, the DISTINCT keyword is applied to the innermost SELECT unconditionally.

It may be desirable to set this flag to False when the DISTINCT is reducing performance of the innermost subquery beyond that of what duplicate innermost rows may be causing.

New in version 0.8.3: - :paramref:`~.relationship.distinct\_target\_key` allows the subquery eager loader to apply a DISTINCT modifier to the innermost SELECT.

Changed in version 0.9.0: - :paramref:`~.relationship.distinct\_target\_key` now defaults to <code>None</code>, so that the feature enables itself automatically for those cases where the innermost query targets a non-unique key.

#### ∃ See also

loading\_toplevel - includes an introduction to subquery eager loading.

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extension –

an AttributeExtension instance, or list of extensions, which will be prepended to the list of attribute listeners for the resulting descriptor placed on the class.

Deprecated since version 0.7: Please see AttributeEvents.

#### · foreign\_keys -

a list of columns which are to be used as "foreign key" columns, or columns which refer to the value in a remote column, within the context of this <code>relationship()</code> object's :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition. That is, if the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>a.id == b.a\_id</code>, and the values in <code>b.a\_id</code> are required to be present in <code>a.id</code>, then the "foreign key" column of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>b.a\_id</code>.

In normal cases, the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter is not required. relationship() will automatically determine which columns in the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` conditition are to be considered "foreign key" columns based on those column objects that specify ForeignKey, or are otherwise listed as referencing columns in a ForeignKeyConstraint construct. :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` is only needed when:

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- The :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` argument is used to construct a
  non-standard join condition, which makes use of columns or expressions that
  do not normally refer to their "parent" column, such as a join condition
  expressed by a complex comparison using a SQL function.

The relationship() construct will raise informative error messages that suggest the use of the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter when presented with an ambiguous condition. In typical cases, if relationship() doesn't raise any exceptions, the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter is usually not needed.

:paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## ■ See also

relationship\_foreign\_keys

relationship\_custom\_foreign

foreign() - allows direct annotation of the "foreign" columns within a :paramref: `~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition.

New in version 0.8: The <code>foreign()</code> annotation can also be applied directly to the :paramref: `~.relationship.primaryjoin` expression, which is an alternate, more specific system of describing which columns in a particular :paramref: `~.relationship.primaryjoin` should be considered "foreign".

#### • info -

Optional data dictionary which will be populated into the MapperProperty.info attribute of this object.

New in version 0.8.

## • innerjoin=False -

when True, joined eager loads will use an inner join to join against related tables instead of an outer join. The purpose of this option is generally one of performance, as inner joins generally perform better than outer joins.

This flag can be set to True when the relationship references an object via many-to-one using local foreign keys that are not nullable, or when the reference is one-to-one or a collection that is guaranteed to have one or at least one entry.

If the joined-eager load is chained onto an existing LEFT OUTER JOIN, <a href="innerjoin=True">innerjoin=True</a> will be bypassed and the join will continue to chain as LEFT OUTER JOIN so that the results don't change. As an alternative, specify the value <a href=""">"nested"</a>. This will instead nest the join on the right side, e.g. using the form "a LEFT OUTER JOIN (b JOIN c)".

New in version 0.9.4: Added innerjoin="nested" option to support nesting
of eager "inner" joins.

## ■ See also

what\_kind\_of\_loading - Discussion of some details of various loader options.

:paramref:`.joinedload.innerjoin` - loader option version

#### join\_depth -

when non- None, an integer value indicating how many levels deep "eager" loaders should join on a self-referring or cyclical relationship. The number counts how many times the same Mapper shall be present in the loading condition along a particular join branch. When left at its default of None, eager loaders will stop chaining when they encounter a the same target mapper which is already higher up in the chain. This option applies both to joined- and subquery- eager loaders.

#### ☐ See also ☐

self\_referential\_eager\_loading - Introductory documentation and examples.

## • lazy='select' -

specifies how the related items should be loaded. Default value is select. Values include:

- select items should be loaded lazily when the property is first accessed,
   using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-to-one references.
- immediate items should be loaded as the parents are loaded, using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-to-one references.
- joined items should be loaded "eagerly" in the same query as that of the
  parent, using a JOIN or LEFT OUTER JOIN. Whether the join is "outer" or not is
  determined by the :paramref: "~relationship.innerjoin" parameter.
- subquery items should be loaded "eagerly" as the parents are loaded, using
  one additional SQL statement, which issues a JOIN to a subquery of the original
  statement, for each collection requested.
- noload no loading should occur at any time. This is to support "write-only" attributes, or attributes which are populated in some manner specific to the application.
- dynamic the attribute will return a pre-configured Query object for all read
  operations, onto which further filtering operations can be applied before iterating
  the results. See the section dynamic\_relationship for more details.
- True a synonym for 'select'
- False a synonym for 'joined'
- None a synonym for 'noload'

#### ■ See also

/orm/loading - Full documentation on relationship loader configuration.

dynamic\_relationship - detail on the dynamic option.

## load\_on\_pending=False –

Indicates loading behavior for transient or pending parent objects.

When set to <code>True</code>, causes the lazy-loader to issue a query for a parent object that is not persistent, meaning it has never been flushed. This may take effect for a pending object when autoflush is disabled, or for a transient object that has been "attached" to a <code>session</code> but is not part of its pending collection.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.load\_on\_pending` flag does not improve behavior when the ORM is used normally - object references should be constructed at the object level, not at the foreign key level, so that they are present in an ordinary way before a flush proceeds. This flag is not not intended for general use.

## ■ See also

Session.enable\_relationship\_loading() - this method establishes "load on pending" behavior for the whole object, and also allows loading on objects that remain transient or detached.

#### • order by -

indicates the ordering that should be applied when loading these items. :paramref:`~.relationship.order\_by` is expected to refer to one of the column objects to which the target class is mapped, or the attribute itself bound to the target class which refers to the column.

:paramref:`~.relationship.order\_by` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## • passive\_deletes=False -

Indicates loading behavior during delete operations.

A value of True indicates that unloaded child items should not be loaded during a delete operation on the parent. Normally, when a parent item is deleted, all child items are loaded so that they can either be marked as deleted, or have their foreign key to the parent set to NULL. Marking this flag as True usually implies an ON DELETE <CASCADE|SET NULL> rule is in place which will handle updating/deleting child rows on the database side.

Additionally, setting the flag to the string value 'all' will disable the "nulling out" of the child foreign keys, when there is no delete or delete-orphan cascade enabled. This is typically used when a triggering or error raise scenario is in place on the database side. Note that the foreign key attributes on in-session child objects will not be changed after a flush occurs so this is a very special use-case setting.

#### ■ See also

passive deletes - Introductory documentation and examples.

## • passive\_updates=True -

Indicates loading and INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE behavior when the source of a foreign key value changes (i.e. an "on update" cascade), which are typically the primary key columns of the source row.

When True, it is assumed that ON UPDATE CASCADE is configured on the foreign key in the database, and that the database will handle propagation of an UPDATE from a source column to dependent rows. Note that with databases which enforce referential integrity (i.e. PostgreSQL, MySQL with InnoDB tables), ON UPDATE CASCADE is required for this operation. The relationship() will update the value of the attribute on related items which are locally present in the session during a flush.

When False, it is assumed that the database does not enforce referential integrity and will not be issuing its own CASCADE operation for an update. The relationship() will issue the appropriate UPDATE statements to the database in response to the change of a referenced key, and items locally present in the session during a flush will also be refreshed.

This flag should probably be set to False if primary key changes are expected and the database in use doesn't support CASCADE (i.e. SQLite, MySQL MyISAM tables).

## □ See also

passive updates - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`.mapper.passive\_updates` - a similar flag which takes effect for joined-table inheritance mappings.

### • post\_update -

this indicates that the relationship should be handled by a second UPDATE statement after an INSERT or before a DELETE. Currently, it also will issue an UPDATE after the instance was UPDATEd as well, although this technically should be improved. This flag is used to handle saving bi-directional dependencies between two individual rows (i.e. each row references the other), where it would otherwise be impossible to INSERT or DELETE both rows fully since one row exists before the other. Use this flag when a particular mapping arrangement will incur two rows that are dependent on each other, such as a table that has a one-to-many relationship to a set of child rows, and also has a column that references a single child row within that list (i.e. both tables contain a foreign key to each other). If a flush operation returns an error that a "cyclical dependency" was detected, this is a cue that you might want to use :paramref:`~.relationship.post\_update` to "break" the cycle.

## See also

post\_update - Introductory documentation and examples.

## • primaryjoin -

a SQL expression that will be used as the primary join of this child object against the parent object, or in a many-to-many relationship the join of the primary object to the association table. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the parent and child tables (or association table).

:paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## ∃ See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

## • remote\_side -

used for self-referential relationships, indicates the column or list of columns that form the "remote side" of the relationship.

:paramref:`.relationship.remote\_side` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

Changed in version 0.8: The remote() annotation can also be applied directly to the primaryjoin expression, which is an alternate, more specific system of describing which columns in a particular primaryjoin should be considered "remote".

#### ☐ See also

self\_referential - in-depth explanation of how
:paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side` is used to configure selfreferential relationships.

remote() - an annotation function that accomplishes the same purpose as :paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side`, typically when a custom :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition is used.

#### • query class -

a Query subclass that will be used as the base of the "appender query" returned by a "dynamic" relationship, that is, a relationship that specifies lazy="dynamic" or was otherwise constructed using the orm.dynamic loader() function.

## ∃ See also

dynamic\_relationship - Introduction to "dynamic" relationship loaders.

## · secondaryjoin -

a SQL expression that will be used as the join of an association table to the child object. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the association and child tables.

:paramref:`~.relationship.secondaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

## • single\_parent -

when True, installs a validator which will prevent objects from being associated with more than one parent at a time. This is used for many-to-one or many-to-many relationships that should be treated either as one-to-one or one-to-many. Its usage is optional, except for <code>relationship()</code> constructs which are many-to-one or many-to-many and also specify the <code>delete-orphan</code> cascade option. The <code>relationship()</code> construct itself will raise an error instructing when this option is required.

## ■ See also

unitofwork\_cascades - includes detail on when the
:paramref:`~.relationship.single\_parent` flag may be appropriate.

#### uselist –

a boolean that indicates if this property should be loaded as a list or a scalar. In most cases, this value is determined automatically by relationship() at mapper configuration time, based on the type and direction of the relationship - one to many forms a list, many to one forms a scalar, many to many is a list. If a scalar is desired where normally a list would be present, such as a bi-directional one-to-one relationship, set :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` to False.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is also available on an existing relationship() construct as a read-only attribute, which can be used to determine if this relationship() deals with collections or scalar attributes:

```
>>> User.addresses.property.uselist
True
```

## ■ See also

relationships\_one\_to\_one - Introduction to the "one to one" relationship pattern, which is typically when the :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is needed.

• viewonly=False – when set to True, the relationship is used only for loading objects, and not for any persistence operation. A relationship() which specifies :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` can work with a wider range of SQL operations within the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition, including operations that feature the use of a variety of comparison operators as well as SQL functions such as cast(). The :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` flag is also of general use when defining any kind of relationship() that doesn't represent the full set of related objects, to prevent modifications of the collection from resulting in persistence operations.



primaryjoin=None, secondaryjoin=None, foreign\_keys=None, uselist=None, order\_by=False, backref=None, back\_populates=None, post\_update=False, cascade=False, extension=None, viewonly=False, lazy=True, collection\_class=None, passive\_deletes=False, passive\_updates=True, remote\_side=None, enable\_typechecks=True, join\_depth=None, comparator\_factory=None, single\_parent=False, innerjoin=False, distinct\_target\_key=None, doc=None, active\_history=False, cascade\_backrefs=True, load\_on\_pending=False, strategy\_class=None, \_local\_remote\_pairs=None, query\_class=None, info=None)

Provide a relationship between two mapped classes.

This corresponds to a parent-child or associative table relationship. The constructed class is an instance of RelationshipProperty.

A typical relationship (), used in a classical mapping:

```
mapper(Parent, properties={
   'children': relationship(Child)
})
```

Some arguments accepted by <code>relationship()</code> optionally accept a callable function, which when called produces the desired value. The callable is invoked by the parent <code>Mapper</code> at "mapper initialization" time, which happens only when mappers are first used, and is assumed to be after all mappings have been constructed. This can be used to resolve order-of-declaration and other dependency issues, such as if <code>child</code> is declared below <code>Parent</code> in the same file:

When using the *declarative\_toplevel* extension, the Declarative initializer allows string arguments to be passed to <code>relationship()</code>. These string arguments are converted into callables that evaluate the string as Python code, using the Declarative class-registry as a namespace. This allows the lookup of related classes to be automatic via their string name, and removes the need to import related classes at all into the local module space:

```
from sqlalchemy.ext.declarative import declarative_base

Base = declarative_base()

class Parent(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'parent'
    id = Column(Integer, primary_key=True)
    children = relationship("Child", order_by="Child.id")
```

#### See also

relationship\_config\_toplevel - Full introductory and reference documentation for relationship() .

orm\_tutorial\_relationship - ORM tutorial introduction.

#### Parameters: • argument –

a mapped class, or actual Mapper instance, representing the target of the relationship.

:paramref:`~.relationship.argument` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## See also

declarative\_configuring\_relationships - further detail on relationship configuration when using Declarative.

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for a many-to-many relationship, specifies the intermediary table, and is typically an instance of Table. In less common circumstances, the argument may also be specified as an Alias construct, or even a Join construct.

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## See also

relationships many to many - Reference example of "many to many".

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unitofwork\_cascades - Full detail on each of the available cascade options.

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**PropComparator** - some detail on redefining comparators at this level. custom\_comparators - Brief intro to this feature.

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Indicate if a "subquery" eager load should apply the DISTINCT keyword to the innermost SELECT statement. When left as None, the DISTINCT keyword will be applied in those cases when the target columns do not comprise the full primary key of the target table. When set to True, the DISTINCT keyword is applied to the innermost SELECT unconditionally.

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loading\_toplevel - includes an introduction to subquery eager loading.

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a list of columns which are to be used as "foreign key" columns, or columns which refer to the value in a remote column, within the context of this <code>relationship()</code> object's :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition. That is, if the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>a.id == b.a\_id</code>, and the values in <code>b.a\_id</code> are required to be present in <code>a.id</code>, then the "foreign key" column of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>b.a\_id</code>.

In normal cases, the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter is **not required**. relationship() will automatically determine which columns

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## See also

relationship\_foreign\_keys

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Optional data dictionary which will be populated into the MapperProperty.info attribute of this object.

New in version 0.8.

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when True, joined eager loads will use an inner join to join against related tables instead of an outer join. The purpose of this option is generally one of performance, as inner joins generally perform better than outer joins.

This flag can be set to True when the relationship references an object via many-to-one using local foreign keys that are not nullable, or when the reference is one-to-one or a collection that is guaranteed to have one or at least one entry.

If the joined-eager load is chained onto an existing LEFT OUTER JOIN, <a href="innerjoin=True">innerjoin=True</a> will be bypassed and the join will continue to chain as LEFT OUTER JOIN so that the results don't change. As an alternative, specify the value <a href=""">"nested"</a>. This will instead nest the join on the right side, e.g. using the form "a LEFT OUTER JOIN (b JOIN c)".

New in version 0.9.4: Added <code>innerjoin="nested"</code> option to support nesting of eager "inner" joins.

#### ■ See also

what\_kind\_of\_loading - Discussion of some details of various loader options.

:paramref:`.joinedload.innerjoin` - loader option version

## • join\_depth -

when non-<code>None</code>, an integer value indicating how many levels deep "eager" loaders should join on a self-referring or cyclical relationship. The number counts how many times the same Mapper shall be present in the loading condition along a particular join branch. When left at its default of <code>None</code>, eager loaders will stop chaining when they encounter a the same target mapper which is already higher up in the chain. This option applies both to joined- and subguery- eager loaders.

#### □ See also

self\_referential\_eager\_loading - Introductory documentation and examples.

## • lazy='select' -

specifies how the related items should be loaded. Default value is select. Values include:

select - items should be loaded lazily when the property is first accessed,

using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-toone references.

- <u>immediate</u> items should be loaded as the parents are loaded, using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-to-one references.
- joined items should be loaded "eagerly" in the same query as that of the
  parent, using a JOIN or LEFT OUTER JOIN. Whether the join is "outer" or not is
  determined by the :paramref: ~relationship.innerjoin parameter.
- subquery items should be loaded "eagerly" as the parents are loaded, using
  one additional SQL statement, which issues a JOIN to a subquery of the original
  statement, for each collection requested.
- noload no loading should occur at any time. This is to support "write-only" attributes, or attributes which are populated in some manner specific to the application.
- dynamic the attribute will return a pre-configured operations, onto which further filtering operations can be applied before iterating the results. See the section dynamic relationship for more details.
- True a synonym for 'select'
- False a synonym for 'joined'
- None a synonym for 'noload'

## □ See also

/orm/loading - Full documentation on relationship loader configuration.

dynamic\_relationship - detail on the dynamic option.

#### load\_on\_pending=False –

Indicates loading behavior for transient or pending parent objects.

When set to <code>True</code>, causes the lazy-loader to issue a query for a parent object that is not persistent, meaning it has never been flushed. This may take effect for a pending object when autoflush is disabled, or for a transient object that has been "attached" to a <code>session</code> but is not part of its pending collection.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.load\_on\_pending` flag does not improve behavior when the ORM is used normally - object references should be constructed at the object level, not at the foreign key level, so that they are present in an ordinary way before a flush proceeds. This flag is not not intended for general use.

### See also

session.enable\_relationship\_loading() - this method establishes "load on pending" behavior for the whole object, and also allows loading on

objects that remain transient or detached.

## • order\_by -

indicates the ordering that should be applied when loading these items. :paramref:`~.relationship.order\_by` is expected to refer to one of the column objects to which the target class is mapped, or the attribute itself bound to the target class which refers to the column.

:paramref:`~.relationship.order\_by` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## • passive\_deletes=False -

Indicates loading behavior during delete operations.

A value of True indicates that unloaded child items should not be loaded during a delete operation on the parent. Normally, when a parent item is deleted, all child items are loaded so that they can either be marked as deleted, or have their foreign key to the parent set to NULL. Marking this flag as True usually implies an ON DELETE <CASCADE|SET NULL> rule is in place which will handle updating/deleting child rows on the database side.

Additionally, setting the flag to the string value 'all' will disable the "nulling out" of the child foreign keys, when there is no delete or delete-orphan cascade enabled. This is typically used when a triggering or error raise scenario is in place on the database side. Note that the foreign key attributes on in-session child objects will not be changed after a flush occurs so this is a very special use-case setting.

## ■ See also

passive\_deletes - Introductory documentation and examples.

#### passive updates=True –

Indicates loading and INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE behavior when the source of a foreign key value changes (i.e. an "on update" cascade), which are typically the primary key columns of the source row.

When True, it is assumed that ON UPDATE CASCADE is configured on the foreign key in the database, and that the database will handle propagation of an UPDATE from a source column to dependent rows. Note that with databases which enforce referential integrity (i.e. PostgreSQL, MySQL with InnoDB tables), ON UPDATE CASCADE is required for this operation. The relationship() will update the value of the attribute on related items which are locally present in the session during a flush.

When False, it is assumed that the database does not enforce referential integrity and will not be issuing its own CASCADE operation for an update. The relationship() will issue the appropriate UPDATE statements

to the database in response to the change of a referenced key, and items locally present in the session during a flush will also be refreshed.

This flag should probably be set to False if primary key changes are expected and the database in use doesn't support CASCADE (i.e. SQLite, MySQL MyISAM tables).

## See also

passive\_updates - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`.mapper.passive\_updates` - a similar flag which takes effect for joined-table inheritance mappings.

#### post\_update -

this indicates that the relationship should be handled by a second UPDATE statement after an INSERT or before a DELETE. Currently, it also will issue an UPDATE after the instance was UPDATEd as well, although this technically should be improved. This flag is used to handle saving bi-directional dependencies between two individual rows (i.e. each row references the other), where it would otherwise be impossible to INSERT or DELETE both rows fully since one row exists before the other. Use this flag when a particular mapping arrangement will incur two rows that are dependent on each other, such as a table that has a one-to-many relationship to a set of child rows, and also has a column that references a single child row within that list (i.e. both tables contain a foreign key to each other). If a flush operation returns an error that a "cyclical dependency" was detected, this is a cue that you might want to use :paramref:`~.relationship.post\_update` to "break" the cycle.

## See also

post\_update - Introductory documentation and examples.

## • primaryjoin -

a SQL expression that will be used as the primary join of this child object against the parent object, or in a many-to-many relationship the join of the primary object to the association table. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the parent and child tables (or association table).

:paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

## ■ See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

## • remote\_side -

used for self-referential relationships, indicates the column or list of columns that form the "remote side" of the relationship.

:paramref:`.relationship.remote\_side` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

Changed in version 0.8: The remote() annotation can also be applied directly to the primaryjoin expression, which is an alternate, more specific system of describing which columns in a particular primaryjoin should be considered "remote".

## ☐ See also

self\_referential - in-depth explanation of how :paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side` is used to configure selfreferential relationships.

purpose as :paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side`, typically when a custom :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition is used.

## • query\_class -

a Query subclass that will be used as the base of the "appender query" returned by a "dynamic" relationship, that is, a relationship that specifies lazy="dynamic" or was otherwise constructed using the orm.dynamic loader() function.

#### See also

dynamic\_relationship - Introduction to "dynamic" relationship loaders.

#### secondaryjoin –

a SQL expression that will be used as the join of an association table to the child object. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the association and child tables.

:paramref:`~.relationship.secondaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### ■ See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

#### single\_parent –

when True, installs a validator which will prevent objects from being

associated with more than one parent at a time. This is used for many-to-one or many-to-many relationships that should be treated either as one-to-one or one-to-many. Its usage is optional, except for relationship() constructs which are many-to-one or many-to-many and also specify the delete-orphan cascade option. The relationship() construct itself will raise an error instructing when this option is required.

#### See also

unitofwork\_cascades - includes detail on when the
:paramref:`~.relationship.single\_parent` flag may be appropriate.

#### uselist –

a boolean that indicates if this property should be loaded as a list or a scalar. In most cases, this value is determined automatically by relationship() at mapper configuration time, based on the type and direction of the relationship - one to many forms a list, many to one forms a scalar, many to many is a list. If a scalar is desired where normally a list would be present, such as a bi-directional one-to-one relationship, set :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` to False.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is also available on an existing relationship() construct as a read-only attribute, which can be used to determine if this relationship() deals with collections or scalar attributes:

```
>>> User.addresses.property.uselist
True
```

#### □ See also

relationships\_one\_to\_one - Introduction to the "one to one" relationship pattern, which is typically when the :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is needed.

viewonly=False – when set to True, the relationship is used only for loading objects, and not for any persistence operation. A relationship() which specifies :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` can work with a wider range of SQL operations within the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition, including operations that feature the use of a variety of comparison operators as well as SQL functions such as cast(). The :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` flag is also of general use when defining any kind of relationship() that doesn't represent the full set of related objects, to prevent modifications of the collection from resulting in persistence operations.

```
user Module¶
class okcupyd.db.model.user.User(**kwargs)
  Bases: okcupyd.db.OKCBase
   classmethod from_profile(profile) [source]
   handle
   age
   location
   created at
   id
   okc_id
class okcupyd.db.model.user.OKCupydUser(**kwargs) [source]
  Bases: sqlalchemy.ext.declarative.api.Base
   inbox last updated
   outbox_last_updated
   user_id
   user
   created_at
   id
okcupyd.db.model.user.relationship(argument, secondary=None, primaryjoin=None,
```

secondaryjoin=None, foreign\_keys=None, uselist=None, order\_by=False, backref=None, back\_populates=None, post\_update=False, cascade=False, extension=None, viewonly=False, lazy=True, collection\_class=None, passive\_deletes=False, passive\_updates=True, remote\_side=None, enable\_typechecks=True, join\_depth=None, comparator\_factory=None, single\_parent=False, innerjoin=False, distinct\_target\_key=None, doc=None, active\_history=False, cascade\_backrefs=True, load\_on\_pending=False, strategy\_class=None, \_local\_remote\_pairs=None, query\_class=None, info=None)

Provide a relationship between two mapped classes.

This corresponds to a parent-child or associative table relationship. The constructed class is an instance of RelationshipProperty.

A typical relationship (), used in a classical mapping:

```
mapper(Parent, properties={
   'children': relationship(Child)
})
```

Some arguments accepted by <code>relationship()</code> optionally accept a callable function, which when called produces the desired value. The callable is invoked by the parent <code>Mapper</code> at "mapper initialization" time, which happens only when mappers are first used, and is assumed to be after all mappings have been constructed. This can be used to resolve order-of-declaration and other dependency issues, such as if <code>child</code> is declared below <code>Parent</code> in the same file:

When using the *declarative\_toplevel* extension, the Declarative initializer allows string arguments to be passed to <code>relationship()</code>. These string arguments are converted into callables that evaluate the string as Python code, using the Declarative class-registry as a namespace. This allows the lookup of related classes to be automatic via their string name, and removes the need to import related classes at all into the local module space:

```
from sqlalchemy.ext.declarative import declarative_base

Base = declarative_base()

class Parent(Base):
    __tablename__ = 'parent'
    id = Column(Integer, primary_key=True)
    children = relationship("Child", order_by="Child.id")
```

#### See also

relationship\_config\_toplevel - Full introductory and reference documentation for relationship() .

orm\_tutorial\_relationship - ORM tutorial introduction.

#### Parameters: • argument –

a mapped class, or actual Mapper instance, representing the target of the relationship.

:paramref: `~.relationship.argument` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### See also

declarative\_configuring\_relationships - further detail on relationship configuration when using Declarative.

#### secondary –

for a many-to-many relationship, specifies the intermediary table, and is typically an instance of Table. In less common circumstances, the argument may also be specified as an Alias construct, or even a Join construct.

:paramref:`~.relationship.secondary` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time. When using Declarative, it may also be a string argument noting the name of a Table that is present in the MetaData collection associated with the parentmapped Table

The :paramref:`~.relationship.secondary` keyword argument is typically applied in the case where the intermediary Table is not otherwise exprssed in any direct class mapping. If the "secondary" table is also explicitly mapped elsewhere (e.g. as in association\_pattern), one should consider applying the :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` flag so that this relationship() is not used for persistence operations which may conflict with those of the association object pattern.

#### See also

relationships many to many - Reference example of "many to many".

orm\_tutorial\_many\_to\_many - ORM tutorial introduction to many-tomany relationships.

self\_referential\_many\_to\_many - Specifics on using many-to-many in a self-referential case.

declarative\_many\_to\_many - Additional options when using Declarative.

association\_pattern - an alternative to :paramref:`~.relationship.secondary` when composing association table relationships, allowing additional attributes to be specified on the association table.

composite\_secondary\_join - a lesser-used pattern which in some cases can enable complex | relationship() | SQL conditions to be used.

New in version 0.9.2: :paramref: `~.relationship.secondary` works more effectively when referring to a Join instance.

- active\_history=False When True, indicates that the "previous" value for a many-to-one reference should be loaded when replaced, if not already loaded. Normally, history tracking logic for simple many-to-ones only needs to be aware of the "new" value in order to perform a flush. This flag is available for applications that make use of attributes.get\_history() which also need to know the "previous" value of the attribute.
- backref –

indicates the string name of a property to be placed on the related mapper's class that will handle this relationship in the other direction. The other property will be created automatically when the mappers are configured. Can also be passed as a backref() object to control the configuration of the new relationship.

#### ■ See also

relationships backref - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`~.relationship.back\_populates` - alternative form of backref specification.

backref() - allows control over relationship() configuration when
using :paramref:`~.relationship.backref`.

#### back\_populates –

Takes a string name and has the same meaning as :paramref:`~.relationship.backref`, except the complementing property is not created automatically, and instead must be configured explicitly on the other mapper. The complementing property should also indicate :paramref:`~.relationship.back\_populates` to this relationship to ensure proper functioning.

#### ☐ See also

relationships backref - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`~.relationship.backref` - alternative form of backref specification.

#### · cascade -

a comma-separated list of cascade rules which determines how Session operations should be "cascaded" from parent to child. This defaults to False, which means the default cascade should be used - this default cascade is "save-update, merge".

The available cascades are save-update, merge, expunge, delete, delete-orphan, and refresh-expire. An additional option, all indicates shorthand for "save-update, merge, refresh-expire, expunge, delete", and is often used as in "all, delete-orphan" to indicate that related objects should follow along with the parent object in all cases, and be deleted when de-associated.

#### □ See also

unitofwork\_cascades - Full detail on each of the available cascade options.

tutorial\_delete\_cascade - Tutorial example describing a delete cascade.

#### • cascade\_backrefs=True -

a boolean value indicating if the <code>save-update</code> cascade should operate along an assignment event intercepted by a backref. When set to <code>False</code>, the attribute managed by this relationship will not cascade an incoming transient object into the session of a persistent parent, if the event is received via backref.

#### See also

backref\_cascade - Full discussion and examples on how the :paramref:`~.relationship.cascade\_backrefs` option is used.

#### • collection\_class -

a class or callable that returns a new list-holding object. will be used in place of a plain list for storing elements.

#### See also

custom\_collections - Introductory documentation and examples.

#### • comparator\_factory -

a class which extends RelationshipProperty. Comparator Which provides

custom SQL clause generation for comparison operations.

#### □ See also

**PropComparator** - some detail on redefining comparators at this level. custom\_comparators - Brief intro to this feature.

#### distinct\_target\_key=None –

Indicate if a "subquery" eager load should apply the DISTINCT keyword to the innermost SELECT statement. When left as None, the DISTINCT keyword will be applied in those cases when the target columns do not comprise the full primary key of the target table. When set to True, the DISTINCT keyword is applied to the innermost SELECT unconditionally.

It may be desirable to set this flag to False when the DISTINCT is reducing performance of the innermost subquery beyond that of what duplicate innermost rows may be causing.

New in version 0.8.3: - :paramref:`~.relationship.distinct\_target\_key` allows the subquery eager loader to apply a DISTINCT modifier to the innermost SELECT.

Changed in version 0.9.0: - :paramref:`~.relationship.distinct\_target\_key` now defaults to <code>None</code>, so that the feature enables itself automatically for those cases where the innermost query targets a non-unique key.

#### ■ See also

loading\_toplevel - includes an introduction to subquery eager loading.

- doc docstring which will be applied to the resulting descriptor.
- extension –

an AttributeExtension instance, or list of extensions, which will be prepended to the list of attribute listeners for the resulting descriptor placed on the class.

Deprecated since version 0.7: Please see AttributeEvents.

#### foreign\_keys –

a list of columns which are to be used as "foreign key" columns, or columns which refer to the value in a remote column, within the context of this <code>relationship()</code> object's :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition. That is, if the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>a.id == b.a\_id</code>, and the values in <code>b.a\_id</code> are required to be present in <code>[a.id]</code>, then the "foreign key" column of this <code>relationship()</code> is <code>[b.a\_id]</code>.

In normal cases, the :paramref: `~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter is **not required**. relationship() will automatically determine which columns

in the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` conditition are to be considered "foreign key" columns based on those <code>column</code> objects that specify <code>ForeignKey</code>, or are otherwise listed as referencing columns in a <code>ForeignKeyConstraint</code> construct. :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` is only needed when:

- There is more than one way to construct a join from the local table to the remote table, as there are multiple foreign key references present. Setting foreign\_keys will limit the relationship() to consider just those columns specified here as "foreign".
   Changed in version 0.8: A multiple-foreign key join ambiguity can be resolved by setting the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter alone, without the need to explicitly set :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` as well.
- The Table being mapped does not actually have ForeignKey or
   ForeignKeyConstraint constructs present, often because the table was
   reflected from a database that does not support foreign key reflection
   (MySQL MyISAM).
- The :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` argument is used to construct a
  non-standard join condition, which makes use of columns or expressions that
  do not normally refer to their "parent" column, such as a join condition
  expressed by a complex comparison using a SQL function.

The relationship() construct will raise informative error messages that
suggest the use of the :paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter
when presented with an ambiguous condition. In typical cases, if
relationship() doesn't raise any exceptions, the
:paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` parameter is usually not needed.

:paramref:`~.relationship.foreign\_keys` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### See also

relationship\_foreign\_keys

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• info -

Optional data dictionary which will be populated into the MapperProperty.info attribute of this object.

New in version 0.8.

#### • innerjoin=False -

when True, joined eager loads will use an inner join to join against related tables instead of an outer join. The purpose of this option is generally one of performance, as inner joins generally perform better than outer joins.

This flag can be set to True when the relationship references an object via many-to-one using local foreign keys that are not nullable, or when the reference is one-to-one or a collection that is guaranteed to have one or at least one entry.

If the joined-eager load is chained onto an existing LEFT OUTER JOIN, innerjoin=True will be bypassed and the join will continue to chain as LEFT OUTER JOIN so that the results don't change. As an alternative, specify the value "nested". This will instead nest the join on the right side, e.g. using the form "a LEFT OUTER JOIN (b JOIN c)".

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#### ■ See also

what\_kind\_of\_loading - Discussion of some details of various loader options.

:paramref:`.joinedload.innerjoin` - loader option version

#### • join\_depth -

when non- None, an integer value indicating how many levels deep "eager" loaders should join on a self-referring or cyclical relationship. The number counts how many times the same Mapper shall be present in the loading condition along a particular join branch. When left at its default of None, eager loaders will stop chaining when they encounter a the same target mapper which is already higher up in the chain. This option applies both to joined- and subquery- eager loaders.

#### See also

self\_referential\_eager\_loading - Introductory documentation and examples.

#### • lazy='select' -

specifies how the related items should be loaded. Default value is select. Values include:

select - items should be loaded lazily when the property is first accessed,

using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-toone references.

- <u>immediate</u> items should be loaded as the parents are loaded, using a separate SELECT statement, or identity map fetch for simple many-to-one references.
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- True a synonym for 'select'
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#### □ See also

/orm/loading - Full documentation on relationship loader configuration.

dynamic\_relationship - detail on the dynamic option.

#### load\_on\_pending=False –

Indicates loading behavior for transient or pending parent objects.

When set to <code>True</code>, causes the lazy-loader to issue a query for a parent object that is not persistent, meaning it has never been flushed. This may take effect for a pending object when autoflush is disabled, or for a transient object that has been "attached" to a <code>session</code> but is not part of its pending collection.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.load\_on\_pending` flag does not improve behavior when the ORM is used normally - object references should be constructed at the object level, not at the foreign key level, so that they are present in an ordinary way before a flush proceeds. This flag is not not intended for general use.

#### See also

session.enable\_relationship\_loading() - this method establishes "load on pending" behavior for the whole object, and also allows loading on

objects that remain transient or detached.

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indicates the ordering that should be applied when loading these items. :paramref:`~.relationship.order\_by` is expected to refer to one of the column objects to which the target class is mapped, or the attribute itself bound to the target class which refers to the column.

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#### • passive\_deletes=False -

Indicates loading behavior during delete operations.

A value of True indicates that unloaded child items should not be loaded during a delete operation on the parent. Normally, when a parent item is deleted, all child items are loaded so that they can either be marked as deleted, or have their foreign key to the parent set to NULL. Marking this flag as True usually implies an ON DELETE <CASCADE|SET NULL> rule is in place which will handle updating/deleting child rows on the database side.

Additionally, setting the flag to the string value 'all' will disable the "nulling out" of the child foreign keys, when there is no delete or delete-orphan cascade enabled. This is typically used when a triggering or error raise scenario is in place on the database side. Note that the foreign key attributes on in-session child objects will not be changed after a flush occurs so this is a very special use-case setting.

#### ■ See also

passive\_deletes - Introductory documentation and examples.

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Indicates loading and INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE behavior when the source of a foreign key value changes (i.e. an "on update" cascade), which are typically the primary key columns of the source row.

When True, it is assumed that ON UPDATE CASCADE is configured on the foreign key in the database, and that the database will handle propagation of an UPDATE from a source column to dependent rows. Note that with databases which enforce referential integrity (i.e. PostgreSQL, MySQL with InnoDB tables), ON UPDATE CASCADE is required for this operation. The relationship() will update the value of the attribute on related items which are locally present in the session during a flush.

When False, it is assumed that the database does not enforce referential integrity and will not be issuing its own CASCADE operation for an update. The relationship() will issue the appropriate UPDATE statements

to the database in response to the change of a referenced key, and items locally present in the session during a flush will also be refreshed.

This flag should probably be set to False if primary key changes are expected and the database in use doesn't support CASCADE (i.e. SQLite, MySQL MyISAM tables).

#### See also

passive\_updates - Introductory documentation and examples.

:paramref:`.mapper.passive\_updates` - a similar flag which takes effect for joined-table inheritance mappings.

#### post\_update -

this indicates that the relationship should be handled by a second UPDATE statement after an INSERT or before a DELETE. Currently, it also will issue an UPDATE after the instance was UPDATEd as well, although this technically should be improved. This flag is used to handle saving bi-directional dependencies between two individual rows (i.e. each row references the other), where it would otherwise be impossible to INSERT or DELETE both rows fully since one row exists before the other. Use this flag when a particular mapping arrangement will incur two rows that are dependent on each other, such as a table that has a one-to-many relationship to a set of child rows, and also has a column that references a single child row within that list (i.e. both tables contain a foreign key to each other). If a flush operation returns an error that a "cyclical dependency" was detected, this is a cue that you might want to use :paramref:`~.relationship.post\_update` to "break" the cycle.

#### ☐ See also

post\_update - Introductory documentation and examples.

#### • primaryjoin -

a SQL expression that will be used as the primary join of this child object against the parent object, or in a many-to-many relationship the join of the primary object to the association table. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the parent and child tables (or association table).

:paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### ■ See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

#### • remote\_side -

used for self-referential relationships, indicates the column or list of columns that form the "remote side" of the relationship.

:paramref:`.relationship.remote\_side` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

Changed in version 0.8: The remote() annotation can also be applied directly to the primaryjoin expression, which is an alternate, more specific system of describing which columns in a particular primaryjoin should be considered "remote".

#### ☐ See also

self\_referential - in-depth explanation of how
:paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side` is used to configure selfreferential relationships.

purpose as :paramref:`~.relationship.remote\_side`, typically when a custom :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition is used.

#### • query\_class -

a Query subclass that will be used as the base of the "appender query" returned by a "dynamic" relationship, that is, a relationship that specifies lazy="dynamic" or was otherwise constructed using the orm.dynamic loader() function.

#### See also

dynamic\_relationship - Introduction to "dynamic" relationship loaders.

#### secondaryjoin –

a SQL expression that will be used as the join of an association table to the child object. By default, this value is computed based on the foreign key relationships of the association and child tables.

:paramref:`~.relationship.secondaryjoin` may also be passed as a callable function which is evaluated at mapper initialization time, and may be passed as a Python-evaluable string when using Declarative.

#### ■ See also

relationship\_primaryjoin

#### single\_parent –

when True, installs a validator which will prevent objects from being

associated with more than one parent at a time. This is used for many-to-one or many-to-many relationships that should be treated either as one-to-one or one-to-many. Its usage is optional, except for relationship() constructs which are many-to-one or many-to-many and also specify the delete-orphan cascade option. The relationship() construct itself will raise an error instructing when this option is required.

#### See also

unitofwork\_cascades - includes detail on when the
:paramref: ~.relationship.single parent` flag may be appropriate.

#### uselist –

a boolean that indicates if this property should be loaded as a list or a scalar. In most cases, this value is determined automatically by relationship() at mapper configuration time, based on the type and direction of the relationship - one to many forms a list, many to one forms a scalar, many to many is a list. If a scalar is desired where normally a list would be present, such as a bi-directional one-to-one relationship, set :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` to False.

The :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is also available on an existing relationship() construct as a read-only attribute, which can be used to determine if this relationship() deals with collections or scalar attributes:

```
>>> User.addresses.property.uselist
True
```

#### See also

relationships\_one\_to\_one - Introduction to the "one to one" relationship pattern, which is typically when the :paramref:`~.relationship.uselist` flag is needed.

viewonly=False – when set to True, the relationship is used only for loading objects, and not for any persistence operation. A relationship() which specifies :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` can work with a wider range of SQL operations within the :paramref:`~.relationship.primaryjoin` condition, including operations that feature the use of a variety of comparison operators as well as SQL functions such as cast(). The :paramref:`~.relationship.viewonly` flag is also of general use when defining any kind of relationship() that doesn't represent the full set of related objects, to prevent modifications of the collection from resulting in persistence operations.

```
tasks Package
 tasks Package
copy Module
okcupyd.tasks.copy.build_copy(source_credentials_or_username, dest_credentials)
okcupyd.tasks.copy.build_copy_task(method)
<sub>db</sub> Module
 site Module
util Package
util Package
okcupyd.util.makelist(value)
                                  [source]
okcupyd.util.makelist decorator(function)
                                                [source]
 class okcupyd.util.cached property(func)
                                               [source]
   Bases: object
   Descriptor that caches the result of the first call to resolve its contents.
    bust_self(obj)
                     [source]
      Remove the value that is being stored on obj for this cached property object.
         Parameters: obj – The instance on which to bust the cache.
    classmethod bust_caches(obj, excludes=()) [source]
      Bust the cache for all cached property objects on obj
        Parameters: obj - The instance on which to bust the caches.
```

```
classmethod get cached properties(obj)
                                                [source]
class okcupyd.util.CallableMap(func_value_pairs=()) [source]
  Bases: object
   add(func, value) [source]
class okcupyd.util.REMap(re_value_pairs=(), default=<object object at 0x7ff8d7089c40>)
  Bases: object
  A mapping object that matches regular expressions to values.
   NO DEFAULT= <object object at 0x7ff8d7089c40>
    classmethod from string pairs(string_value_pairs, **kwargs) [source]
     Build an REMAP from str, value pairs by applying re.compile to each string and calling the
     __init__ of REMap
   add(re, value)
                   [source]
   pattern_to_value
                         [source]
   values()
              [source]
class okcupyd.util.GetAttrGetItem
  Bases: type
okcupyd.util.IndexedREMap(*re_strings, **kwargs)
                                                   [source]
  Build a REMAP from the provided regular expression string. Each string will be associated with
  the index corresponding to its position in the argument list.
```

- **Parameters:** re\_strings The re\_strings that will serve as keys in the map.
  - **default** The value to return if none of the regular expressions match
  - offset The offset at which to start indexing for regular expressions defaults to 1.

## compose Module

```
okcupyd.util.compose.make_single_arity(function) [source]

okcupyd.util.compose.force_args_return(function) [source]

okcupyd.util.compose.tee(*functions) [source]
```

```
okcupyd.util.currying.curry [source
```

Curry a function or method.

Applying curry to a function creates a callable with the same functionality that can be invoked with an incomplete argument list to create a partial application of the original function.

```
@curry
def greater_than(x, y):
    return x > y

>>> less_than_40 = greater_than(40)
>>> less_than_40(39)
True
>>> less_than_40(50)
False
```

curry allows functions to be partially invoked an arbitary number of times:

```
@curry
def add_5_things(a, b, c, d, e):
    return a + b + c + d + e

# All of the following invocations of add_5_things
>>> add_5_things(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)
5

one_left = add_5_things(1, 1)(3)(4) # A one place function that will
# add 1 + 1 + 3 + 4 = 9 to whatever is provided as its argument.

>>>> one_left(5)
14
>>> one_left(6)
15
```

A particular compelling use case for curry is the creation of decorators that take optional arguments:

```
@curry
def add_n(function, n=1):
    def wrapped(*args, **kwargs):
        return function(*args, **kwargs) + n
    return wrapped

@add_n(n=12)
def multiply_plus_twelve(x, y):
    return x * y

@add_n
def multiply_plus_one(x, y):
    return x * y

>>> multiply_plus_one(1, 1)
2
>>> multiply_plus_twelve(1, 1)
13
```

Notice that we were able to apply *add\_n* regardless of whether or not an optional argument had been supplied earlier.

The version of curry that is available for import has been curried itself. That is, its constructor can be invoked partially:

```
@curry(evaluation_checker=lambda *args, **kwargs: len(args) > 2)
def args_taking_function(*args):
    return reduce(lambda x, y: x*y, args)

>>> args_taking_function(1, 2)
2
>>> args_taking_function(2)(3)
6
>>> args_taking_function(2, 2, 2, 2)
16
```

### fetchable Module

Most of the collection objects that are returned from function invocations in the okcupyd library are instances of Fetchable. In most cases, it is fine to treat these objects as though they are lists because they can be iterated over, sliced and accessed by index, just like lists:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer.text)

a_random_question = user.profile.questions[2]
for question in questions[2:4]:
    print(question.answer_options[0])
```

However, in some cases, it is important to be aware of the subtle differences between Fetchable objects and python lists. Fetchable construct the elements that they "contain" lazily. In most of its uses in the okcupyd library, this means that http requests can be made to populate Fetchable instances as its elments are requested.

The <u>questions</u> <u>Fetchable</u> that is used in the example above fetches the pages that are used to construct its contents in batches of 10 questions. This means that the actual call to retrieve data is made when iteration starts. If you enable the request logger when you run this code snippet, you get output that illustrates this fact:

```
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=11 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
Yes
Yes
Kiss someone.
Yes
Yes
 Sex.
Both equally
No, I wouldn't give it as a gift.
Maybe, I want to know all the important stuff.
Once or twice a week
2014-10-29 04:25:04 Livien-MacbookAir requests.packages.urllib3.connectionpool[82461] DEBUG
"GET /profile/ShrewdDrew/questions?leanmode=1&low=21 HTTP/1.1" 200 None
No.
No
No
Yes
Rarely / never
Always.
Discovering your shared interests
The sun
Acceptable.
No.
```

Some fetchables will continue fetching content for quite a long time. The search fetchable, for example, will fetch content until okcupid runs out of search results. As such, things like:

```
for profile in user.search():
    profile.message("hey!")
```

should be avoided, as they are likely to generate a massive number of requests to okcupid.com.

Another subtlety of the Fetchable class is that its instances cache its contained results. This means that the second iteration over okcupyd.profile.Profile.questions in the example below does not result in any http requests:

```
for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.text)

for question in user.profile.questions:
    print(question.answer)
```

It is important to understand that this means that the contents of a Fetchable are not guarenteed to be in sync with okcupid.com the second time they are requested. Calling refresh() will cause the Fetchable to request new data from okcupid.com when its contents are requested. The code snippet that follows prints out all the questions that the logged in user has answered roughly once per hour, including ones that are answered while the program is running.

```
import time

while True:
    for question in user.profile.questions:
        print(question.text)
    user.profile.questions.refresh()
    time.sleep(3600)
```

Without the call to *user.profile.questions.refresh()*, this program would never update the user.profile.questions instance, and thus what would be printed to the screen with each iteration of the for loop.

```
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.Fetchable(fetcher, **kwargs) [source]

Bases: object

List-like container object that lazily loads its contained items.

classmethod fetch_marshall(fetcher, processor) [source]

refresh(nice_repr=True, **kwargs) [source]
```

- Parameters: nice\_repr (bool) Append the repr of a list containing the items that have been fetched to this point by the fetcher.
  - kwargs kwargs that should be passed to the fetcher when its fetch method is called. These are merged with the values provided to the constructor, with the ones provided here taking precedence if there is a conflict.

```
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.FetchMarshall(fetcher, processor, terminator=None, start_at=1)
   [source]
  Bases: object
    static simple_decider(pos, last, text_response)
                                                    [source]
   fetch(start at=None)
                          [source]
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.SimpleProcessor(session, object factory, element xpath)
   [source]
  Bases: object
  Applies object_factory to each element found with element_xpath
  Accepts session merely to be consistent with the FetchMarshall interface.
   process(text_response)
                             [source]
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.PaginationProcessor(object_factory, element_xpb,
current page xpb, total page xpb)
  Bases: object
   process(text_response)
                             [source]
class okcupyd.util.fetchable.GETFetcher(session, path, query_param_builder=<function
<lambda> at 0x7ff8d5fafa28>)
  Bases: object
   fetch(*args, **kwargs) [source]
misc Module
```

```
okcupyd.util.misc.enable logger(log_name, level=10)
                                                        [source]
okcupyd.util.misc.get_credentials()
                                         [source]
okcupyd.util.misc.add_command_line_options(add_argument, use_short_options=True)
   [source]
    Parameters: • add_argument – The add_argument method of an ArgParser.
                  • use_short_options - Whether or not to add short options.
okcupyd.util.misc.handle command line options(args)
                                                           [source]
    Parameters: args – The args returned from an ArgParser
okcupyd.util.misc.update_settings_with_module(module_name)
okcupyd.util.misc.save file(filename, data)
                                               [source]
okcupyd.util.misc.find all(a_str, sub)
                                          [source]
okcupyd.util.misc.replace_all_case_insensitive(a_str, sub, replacement)
                                                                             [source]
```

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