
EasyProcess Documentation

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EasyProcess is an easy to use python subprocess interface.

home: <https://github.com/ponty/EasyProcess>

documentation: <http://ponty.github.com/EasyProcess>

Advantages:

- easy interface
- command can be list or string
- logging
- timeout

BASIC USAGE

```
>>> from easyprocess import EasyProcess
>>> EasyProcess('echo hello').call().stdout
'hello'
```


INSTALLATION

2.1 General

- install `setuptools` or `pip`
- install the program:

if you have `setuptools` installed:

```
# as root
easy_install EasyProcess
```

if you have `pip` installed:

```
# as root
pip install EasyProcess
```

2.2 Ubuntu

```
sudo apt-get install python-setuptools
sudo easy_install EasyProcess
```

2.3 Uninstall

```
# as root
pip uninstall EasyProcess
```


USAGE

```
>>> from easyprocess import EasyProcess
>>> # Run program, wait for it to complete, get stdout (command is string):
>>> EasyProcess('echo hello').call().stdout
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c7090c>
'hello'
>>> # Run program, wait for it to complete, get stdout (command is list):
>>> EasyProcess(['echo', 'hello']).call().stdout
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c7078c>
'hello'
>>> # Run program, wait for it to complete, get stderr:
>>> EasyProcess('python --version').call().stderr
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c708cc>
'Python 2.6.6'
>>> # Run program, wait for it to complete, get return code:
>>> EasyProcess('python --version').call().return_code
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c70bcc>
0
>>> # Run program, wait 1 second, stop it, get stdout:
>>> EasyProcess('ping localhost').start().sleep(1).stop().stdout
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c70a6c>
'PING localhost.localdomain (127.0.0.1) 56(84) bytes of data.\n64 bytes from localhost.localdomain (
>>> # Run program, wait for it to complete, check for errors:
>>> EasyProcess('ls').check()
<subprocess.Popen object at 0x9c70a0c>
<Proc cmd_param=ls alias=None cmd=['ls'] (ls) oerror=None returncode=0 stdout="build
dist
docs
easyprocess
EasyProcess.egg-info
LICENSE.txt
MANIFEST.in
nosetests.xml
pavement.py
paver-minilib.zip
README.rst
setup.py
temp
tests
TODO" stderr="">
```

Exceptions in check:

```
>>> EasyProcess('bad_command').check()
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "easyprocess.py", line 84, in check
    raise EasyProcessCheckError(self)
easyprocess.EasyProcessCheckError: EasyProcess check failed!
OSError:[Errno 2] No such file or directory
cmd:['bad_command']
return code:None
stderr:None

>>> EasyProcess('sh -c bad_command').check()
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "easyprocess.py", line 84, in check
    raise EasyProcessCheckError(self)
easyprocess.EasyProcessCheckError: EasyProcess check failed!
OSError:None
cmd:['sh', '-c', 'bad_command']
return code:127
stderr:sh: bad_command: not found
```

LOGGING

Example program:

```
from easyprocess import EasyProcess
import logging

# turn on logging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG)

EasyProcess('echo hello').call()
EasyProcess('python --version').call()
EasyProcess('ping localhost').start().sleep(1).stop()
EasyProcess('python --version').check()
try:
    EasyProcess('bad_command').check()
except Exception, detail:
    print detail

try:
    EasyProcess('sh -c bad_command').check()
except Exception, detail:
    print detail
```

Output:

```
$ python -m easyprocess.examples.log
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "echo hello" command: ['echo', 'hello'] ("echo hello")
DEBUG:easyprocess:reading config: /home/titi/.easyprocess.cfg
DEBUG:easyprocess:process was started (pid=18050)
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread started
DEBUG:easyprocess:process has ended
DEBUG:easyprocess:return code=0
DEBUG:easyprocess:stdout=hello
DEBUG:easyprocess:stderr=
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread finished
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "python --version" command: ['python', '--version'] ("python --version")
DEBUG:easyprocess:process was started (pid=18052)
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread started
DEBUG:easyprocess:process has ended
DEBUG:easyprocess:return code=0
DEBUG:easyprocess:stdout=
DEBUG:easyprocess:stderr=Python 2.6.6
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread finished
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "ping localhost" command: ['ping', 'localhost'] ("ping localhost")
DEBUG:easyprocess:process was started (pid=18054)
```

```
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread started
DEBUG:easyprocess:stopping process (pid=18054 cmd=["'ping', 'localhost']")
DEBUG:easyprocess:process is active -> sending SIGTERM
DEBUG:easyprocess:process has ended
DEBUG:easyprocess:return code=-15
DEBUG:easyprocess:stdout=PING localhost.localdomain (127.0.0.1) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from localhost.localdomain (127.0.0.1): icmp_req=1 ttl=64 time=0.027 ms
64 bytes from localhost.localdomain (127.0.0.1): icmp_req=2 ttl=64 time=0.025 ms
DEBUG:easyprocess:stderr=
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread finished
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "python --version" command: ['python', '--version'] ("python --version")
DEBUG:easyprocess:process was started (pid=18056)
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread started
DEBUG:easyprocess:process has ended
DEBUG:easyprocess:return code=0
DEBUG:easyprocess:stdout=
DEBUG:easyprocess:stderr=Python 2.6.6
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread finished
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "bad_command" command: ['bad_command'] ("bad_command")
DEBUG:easyprocess:OSError exception:[Errno 2] No such file or directory
DEBUG:easyprocess:param: "sh -c bad_command" command: ['sh', '-c', 'bad_command'] ("sh -c bad_command")
DEBUG:easyprocess:process was started (pid=18059)
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread started
DEBUG:easyprocess:process has ended
DEBUG:easyprocess:return code=127
DEBUG:easyprocess:stdout=
DEBUG:easyprocess:stderr=sh: bad_command: not found
DEBUG:easyprocess:Thread finished
<subprocess.Popen object at 0xa093dec>
<subprocess.Popen object at 0xa093c4c>
<subprocess.Popen object at 0xa093eac>
<subprocess.Popen object at 0xa093f4c>
start error <Proc cmd_param=bad_command alias=None cmd=['bad_command'] (bad_command) oerror=[Errno 2]
<subprocess.Popen object at 0xa0962ec>
check error, return code is not zero! <Proc cmd_param=sh -c bad_command alias=None cmd=['sh', '-c', 'bad_command'] (sh -c bad_command) oerror=[Errno 2]
```

REPLACING EXISTING FUNCTIONS

Replacing `os.system`:

```
retcode = os.system("ls -l")  
==>  
p = EasyProcess("ls -l").call()  
retcode = p.return_code  
print p.stdout
```

Replacing `subprocess.call`:

```
retcode = subprocess.call(["ls", "-l"])  
==>  
p = EasyProcess(["ls", "-l"]).call()  
retcode = p.return_code  
print p.stdout
```


API

`easyprocess.EasyProcess`

alias of `Proc`

class `easyprocess.Proc` (*cmd, ubuntu_package=None, url=None*)

simple interface for `subprocess`

shell is not supported (`shell=False`)

call (*timeout=None*)

Run command with arguments. Wait for command to complete.

Return type `self`

check (*return_code=0*)

Run command with arguments. Wait for command to complete. If the exit code was as expected and there is no exception then return, otherwise raise `EasyProcessError`.

Parameters `return_code` – int, expected return code

Return type `self`

check_installed ()

Used for testing if program is installed.

Run command with arguments. Wait for command to complete. If `OSError` raised, then raise `EasyProcessCheckInstalledError` with information about program installation

Parameters `return_code` – int, expected return code

Return type `self`

is_alive ()

poll process (`subprocess.Popen.poll()`)

Return type `bool`

pid

PID (`subprocess.Popen.pid`)

Return type `int`

return_code

`returncode` (`subprocess.Popen.returncode`)

Return type `int`

sendstop ()

Kill process by sending `SIGTERM`. Do not wait for command to complete.

Return type self

sleep (*sec*)

sleeping (same as `time.sleep()`)

Return type self

start ()

start command in background and does not wait for it

Return type self

stop ()

Kill process by sending SIGTERM. and wait for command to complete.

same as `sendstop().wait()`

Return type self

wait (*timeout=None*)

Wait for command to complete.

Return type self

wrap (*callable, delay=0*)

returns a function which: 1. start process 2. call callable, save result 3. stop process 4. returns result

Return type

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