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This is the documentation for the ESA NEOCC Portal Python interface library.

1 INTRODUCTION

ESA NEOCC Portal Python interface library makes the data that ESA NEOCC provides easily accessible through a Python program.

The main functionality of this library is to allow a programmer to easily retrieve:

- All the NEAs
- Other data that the NEOCC provides (risk list, close approach list, etc.)
- All basic and advanced information regarding a NEA
- An ephemeris service for NEAs

2 INSTALLATION

The library is contained in ESANEOCC folder. In order to install the library:

- 1. Navigate to the proper directory where the *setup.py* is located.
- 2. The installation is doable through *pip install* command:

```
$ pip install .
```

3 REQUIREMENTS

ESA NEOCC Portal Python Interface Library works with Python 3.

The following packages are required for the library installation & use:

- beautifulsoup4 = 4.9.3
- lxml = 4.6.2
- pandas = 1.2.2
- parse = 1.19.0
- requests = 2.25.1
- scipy = 1.6.1

For tests the following packages are required:

pytest



4 ESANEOCC.NEOCC

Main module from ESA NEOCCS library. This module contains the two main methods of the library: *query_list* and *query_object*. The information is obtained from ESA Near-Earth Object Coordination Centres (NEOCC) web portal: https://neo.ssa.esa.int/.

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• Purpose: Main module which gets NEAs data from https://neo.ssa.esa.int/

• Module: neocc.py

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ESANEOCC.neocc.query_list(list_name)

Get requested list data from ESA NEOCC.

Different lists that can be requested are:

• All NEA list: nea_list

• Risk list (normal): risk_list

• Risk list (special): risk_list_special

• Close approaches (upcoming): close_appr_upcoming

• Close approaches (recent): close_appr_recent

• Priotiry list (normal): priority_list

• Priority list (faint): priority_list_faint

These lists are referenced in https://neo.ssa.esa.int/computer-access

Parameters list_name (str) – Name of the requested list. Valid names are: nea_list, risk_list_special, close_appr_upcoming, close_appr_recent, priority_list, priority_list_faint.



Returns neocc_lst – Data Frame which contains the information of the requested list

Return type pandas.Series or pandas.DataFrame

Examples

NEA list: The output of this list is a *pandas.Series* which contains the list of all NEAs currently considered in the NEOCC system.

```
>>> from ESANEOCC import neocc
>>> list_data = neocc.query_list(list_name='nea_list')
>>> list_data
0
                  433 Eros
                719 Albert
1
2.
                887 Alinda
3
             1036 Ganymed
4
                 1221 Amor
25191
                    2021DY
25192
                   2021DY1
25193
                    2021DZ
25194
                   2021DZ1
25195
                    6344P-L
Name: 0, Length: 25196, dtype: object
```

Each asteroid can be accessed using its index. This information can be used as input for *query_object* method.

```
>>> list_data[4]
'1221 Amor'
```

Other lists: The output of this list is a *pandas.DataFrame* which contains the information of the requested list.

```
>>> from ESANEOCC import neocc
>>> list_data = neocc.query_list(list_name='close_appr_upcoming')
>>> list_data
         Object Name
                               Date
                                            Rel. vel in km/s
                                      . . .
0
                                                          26.0
               2021DE 2021.156164
               2021DM 2021.158904
                                                         10.2
1
2
               2011DW 2021.161644
                                                         13.6
3
             2011EH17 2021.161644
                                                         16.8
4
              2016DV1 2021.164384
                                                         18.6
                                                           . . .
                  . . .
                                . . .
141
               2020DF
                     2022.120548
                                                           8.6
                                     . . .
142
                                                         10.8
             2018CW2 2022.131507
143
             2020CX1 2022.131507
                                                           8.2
144
     455176 1999VF22 2022.142466
                                                          25.1
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```
145 2017CX1 2022.145205 ... 5.0 [146 rows x 10 columns]
```

The information of the columns can be accessed through (see pandas for further information about data access):

```
>>> list_data['Object Name']
0
                 2021DE
1
                 2021DM
2
                 2011DW
3
               2011EH17
4
                2016DV1
141
                 2020DF
142
                2018CW2
143
                2020CX1
       455176 1999VF22
144
145
                2017CX1
Name: Object Name, Length: 146, dtype: object
```

And the information of the rows can be accessed using:

```
>>> list_data.iloc[2]
Object Name
                          2011DW
Date
                         2021.16
Miss Distance in km
                        5333057
                       0.035649
Miss Distance in au
Miss Distance in LD
                         13.874
Diameter in m
                              90
*=Yes
Η
                            22.9
Max Bright
                            16.4
Rel. vel in km/s
                            13.6
Name: 2, dtype: object
```

Note: If the contents request fails the following message will be printed:

Initial attempt to obtain list failed. Reattempting

Then a second request will be automatically sent to the NEOCC portal.

ESANEOCC.neocc.query_object (name, tab, **kwargs)
Get requested object data from ESA NEOCC.

Parameters

• name (str) – Name of the requested object



- **tab** (*str*) Name of the request tab. Valid names are:summary, orbit_properties, physical_properties, observations, ephemerides, close_approaches and impacts.
- **kwargs (str) Tabs orbit_properties and ephemerides tabs required additional arguments to work:
 - *orbit_properties*: the required additional arguments are:

```
* orbit_element : str (keplerian or equinoctial)
```

- * orbit_epoch : str (present or middle)
- ephemerides: the required additional arguments are:

```
* observatory: str (observatory code, e.g. 500, J04, etc.)
```

- * start : str (start date in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM)
- * stop: str (end date in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM)
- * *step* : str (time step, e.g. 2, 15, etc.)
- * step_unit : str (e.g. days, minutes, etc.)

Returns neocc_obj – Object data which contains different attributes depending on the tab selected.

Return type object

Examples

Impacts, Physical Properties and Observations: This example tries to summarize how to access the data of this tabs and how to use it. Note that this classes only require as inputs the name of the object and the requested tab.

The information can be obtained introducing directly the name of the object, but it can be also added from the output of a *query_list* search:

or

or



The output provides an object with the different attributes:

```
>>> ast_impacts.
ast.additional_note ast.impacts
ast.arc_end ast.info
ast.arc_start ast.observation_accepted
ast.computation ast.observation_rejected
```

By adding the attribute its information can be accessed:

```
>>> ast_impacts.impacts
                        MJD sigma
                                                                  PS_
            date
                                        ... Exp. Energy in MT
→ TS
 2056-04-13.094 72101.094
                             2.221
                                                      0.000129 - 4.55
 2065-04-13.131
                  75388.131 2.430
                                                      0.000044 - 5.10
2
 2068-04-12.634
                  76483.634 2.723
                                                      0.000830 - 3.86
 2074-04-13.359
                  78675.359 2.396
                                                      0.000022 - 5.48
                                        . . .
 2075-04-13.212
                 79040.212 1.356
                                                      0.000244 - 4.44
4
                                        . . .
                                                      0.000020 - 5.54
  2077-04-13.112
                  79771.112 2.714
                                        . . .
 2098-10-16.481
                  87627.481 2.398
                                                      0.000058 - 5.21
                                        . . .
 2103-04-14.311 89267.311 2.706
                                                      0.000041 - 5.38
[8 rows x 11 columns]
```

Another example is shown to obtain the physical properties:

```
>>> from ESANEOCC import neocc
>>> properties = neocc.query_object(name='433', tab='physical_

->properties')
```

Again, the output provides an object with different attributes:

```
>>> properties.
properties.physical_properties properties.sources
```

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>>>	properties.physical_properties			
	Property	Values	Unit	Source
0	Rotation Period	5.27	h	[4]
1	Quality	4	_	[4]
2	Amplitude	0.04-1.49	mag	[4]
3	Rotation Direction	PRO	_	[1]
4	Spinvector L	16	deg	[1]
5	Spinvector B	9	deg	[1]
6	Taxonomy	Sq	_	[2]
7	Taxonomy (all)	S	_	[3]
8	Absolute Magnitude (H)	10.31	mag	[5]
9	Slope Parameter (G)	0.46**	mag	[6]
10	Albedo	0.24	_	[9]
11	Diameter	23300	m	[10]
12	Color Index Information	0.39	R-I	[11]
13	Sightings	Visual S	_	[13]

Note: Some physical properties (e.g. *Absolute Mangnitude (H), Slope Parameter (G)*, etc) may have several values which come from different sources. Currently, the library will only show one value as it is done in the NEOCC portal.

Note: For the case of tab Observations there are objects which contain Roving observer and satellite observations. In the original requested data the information of these observations produces two lines of data, where the second line does not fit the structure of the data frame (https://www.minorplanetcenter.org/iau/info/OpticalObs.html). In order to solve this problem those second lines have been extracted in another attribute (e.g. sat_observations or roving_observations) to make the data more readable.

Since this information can be requested in pairs, i.e. it is needed to access both lines of data, this can be made using the date of the observations which will be the same for both attributes:

```
>>> ast_observations = neocc.query_object(name='99942',
tab='observations')
>>> sat_obs = ast_observations.sat_observations
>>> sat_obs
    Design.
                Τ
                       YYYY
                             MM
                                  DD.dddddd
                                             ... Obs Code
0
      99942
                       2020
                             12
                                   18.97667
                                                       C51
             S
                S
1
      99942
             S
                       2020
                             12
                                   19.10732
                                                       C51
                S
      99942
                       2021
                              1
                                   16.92315
10
             S
                S
                                                       C53
11
      99942
             S
                       2021
                              1
                                   19.36233
                                                       C53
                S
                                             . . .
                       2021
                              1
                                   19.36927
12
      99942
             S
                S
                                                       C53
>>> opt_obs = ast_ast_observations.optical_observations
>>> opt_obs.loc[opt_obs['DD.dddddd'] == sat_obs['DD.dddddd'][0]]
```

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```
YYYY
                      TN
                                             Obs Code
                                                         Chi
        Design.
                  K
                                  MM
                                       . . .
4582
        99942
                            2020
                                                  C51
                   S
                                   12
                                                        1.13
                                       . . .
[1 rows x 33 columns]
```

Close Approaches: This example corresponds to the class close approaches. As for the previous example, the information can be obtained by directly introducing the name of the object or from a previous *query_list* search.

In this particular case, there are no attributes and the data obtained is a DataFrame which contains the information for close approaches:

```
>>> close_appr = neocc.query_object(name='99942', tab='close_
→approaches')
>>> close appr
   BODY
                                       WIDTH PROBABILITY
           CALENDAR-TIME
   EARTH 1957/04/01.13908
                           ... 1.318000e-08
()
                                                     1.000
1
   EARTH 1964/10/24.90646 ... 1.119000e-08
                                                      1.000
                            ... 4.004000e-09
   EARTH 1965/02/11.51118
                                                     1.000
     . . .
                                                        . . .
. . .
16 EARTH 2080/05/09.23878
                            ... 1.206000e-06
                                                      0.821
17 EARTH 2087/04/07.54747 ... 1.254000e-08
                                                      0.327
[18 rows x 10 columns]
```

Orbit Properties: In order to access the orbit properties information, it is necessary to provide two additional inputs to *query_object* method: **orbit_elements** and **orbit_epoch**.

It is mandatory to write these two paramters as: orbit_epoch= to make the library works.

```
>>> ast_orbit_prop = neocc.query_object(name='99942',
tab='orbit_properties',orbit_elements='keplerian', orbit_epoch=
→'present')
>>> ast orbit prop.
ast_orbit_prop.anode
                               ast_orbit_prop.moid
ast_orbit_prop.aphelion
                               ast_orbit_prop.ngr
ast_orbit_prop.cor
                               ast_orbit_prop.perihelion
ast_orbit_prop.cov
                               ast_orbit_prop.period
ast_orbit_prop.dnode
                               ast_orbit_prop.pha
ast_orbit_prop.epoch
                               ast_orbit_prop.rectype
ast_orbit_prop.form
                               ast_orbit_prop.refsys
ast_orbit_prop.kep
                               ast_orbit_prop.rms
ast_orbit_prop.lsp
                               ast_orbit_prop.u_par
ast_orbit_prop.mag
                               ast_orbit_prop.vinfty
```

Ephemerides: In order to access ephemerides information, it is necessary to provide five additional inputs to *query_object* method: **observatory**, **start**, **stop**, **step** and **step_unit***.

It is mandatory to write these five paramters as: *observatory*= to make the library works.



```
>>> ast_ephemerides = neocc.query_object(name='99942',
tab='ephemerides', observatory='500', start='2019-05-08 01:30',
stop='2019-05-23 01:30', step='1', step_unit='days')
>>> ast_ephemerides.
ast_ephemerides.ephemerides ast_ephemerides.tinit
ast_ephemerides.observatory ast_ephemerides.tstep
ast_ephemerides.tfinal
```

5 ESANEOCC.LISTS

This module contains all the methods required to request the list data, obtain it from the ESA NEOCC portal and parse it to show it properly.

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• Module: lists.py

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ESANEOCC.lists.get_dec_year(date)

Get decimal year from a date.

Parameters date (datetime) - Date in YYYY/MM/DD.dddd format.

Returns decimal_year – Date in decimal year format YYYY.yyyyy.

Return type float64

ESANEOCC.lists.get_list_data(url, list_name)

Get requested parsed list from url.

Parameters

- list_name (str) Name of the requested list.
- **url** (*str*) URL of the requested list.



Returns neocc_lst – Data frame which contains the data of the requested list.

Return type pandas.Series or pandas.DataDrame

ESANEOCC.lists.get_list_url(list_name)

Get url from requested list name.

Parameters list_name (str) – Name of the requested list. Valid names are: nea_list, risk_list, risk_list_special, close_appr_upcoming, close_appr_recent, priority_list, priority_list_faint.

Returns url – Final URL string.

Return type str

Raises KeyError – If the requested list_name is not in the dictionary

ESANEOCC.lists.parse_clo(data_byte_d)

Parse and arrange close approaches lists.

Parameters data_byte_d (object) - Decoded StringIO object.

Returns neocc_lst – Data frame with close approaches list data parsed.

Return type pandas.Series or pandas.DataFrame

ESANEOCC.lists.parse_list(list_name, data_byte_d)

Switch function to select parse method.

Parameters

- list name (str) Name of the requested list.
- data byte d(object) Decoded StringIO object.

Returns neocc_lst – Data frame with data from the list parsed.

Return type pandas. Series or pandas. DataFrame

ESANEOCC.lists.parse_nea(data_byte_d)

Parse and arrange all NEA list.

Parameters data_byte_d (object) - Decoded StringIO object.

Returns neocc_lst – Data frame with NEA list data parsed.

Return type pandas. Series or pandas. DataFrame

ESANEOCC.lists.parse_pri(data_byte_d)

Parse and arrange priority lists.

Parameters data_byte_d (object) - Decoded StringIO object.

Returns neocc_lst – Data frame with priority list data parsed.

Return type pandas.Series or pandas.DataFrame



ESANEOCC.lists.parse_risk(data_byte_d)

Parse and arrange risk lists.

Parameters data_byte_d (object) - Decoded StringIO object.

Returns neocc_lst – Data frame with risk list data parsed.

Return type pandas.Series or pandas.DataFrame

6 ESANEOCC.TABS

This module contains all the methods required to request the data from a particular object, obtain it from the ESA NEOCC portal and parse it to show it properly. The information of the object is shows in the ESA NEOCC in different tabs that correspond to the different classes within this module.

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class ESANEOCC.tabs.AsteroidObservations

This class contains information of asteroid observations.

version

File version.

Type int

errmod

Error model for the data.

Type str

rmsast

Root Mean Square for asteroid observations.



Type float

rmsmag

Root Mean Square for magnitude.

Type float

optical_observations

Data frame which contains optical observations (without roving observer and satellite observation).

Type pandas.DataFrame

radar_observations

Data structure which contains radar observations.

Type pandas.DataFrame

roving_observations

Data structure which contains roving observer observations.

Type pandas.DataFrame

sat_observations

Data structure which contains satellite observations.

Type pandas.DataFrame

class ESANEOCC.tabs.CloseApproaches

This class contains information of object close approaches.

static clo_appr_parser(data_obj, name)

Parse and arrange the close approaches data.

Parameters data_obj (object) - Object in byte format.

Returns df_close_appr – Data frame with the close approaches information.

Return type pandas.DataFrame

Raises ValueError – If file is empty.

class ESANEOCC.tabs.Ephemerides

This class contains information of object ephemerides.

observatory

Name of the observatory from which ephemerides are obtained.

Type str

tinit

Start date from which ephemerides are obtained.

Type str

tfinal

End date from which ephemerides are obtained.



Type str

tstep

Time step and time unit used during ephemerides calculation.

Type str

ephemerides

Data frame which contains the information of the object ephemerides

Type pandas.DataFrame

class ESANEOCC.tabs.EquinoctialOrbitProperties

This class contains information of equinoctial asteroid orbit properties. This class inherits the attributes from OrbitProperties.

equinoctial

Data frame which contains the equinoctial elements information.

Type pandas.DataFrame

rms

Root Mean Square for equinoctial elements.

Type DataFrame

eig

Eigenvalues for the covariance matrix.

Type pandas.DataFrame

wea

Eigenvector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue.

Type pandas.DataFrame

cov

Covariance matrix for equinoctial elements.

Type pandas.DataFrame

nor

Normalization matrix for equinoctial elements.

Type pandas.DataFrame

class ESANEOCC.tabs.Impacts

This class contains information of object possible impacts.

impacts

Data frame where are listed all the possible impactors.

Type pandas.DataFrame

arc_start

Starting date for optical observations.



Type str

arc_end

End date for optical observations.

Type str

observations_accepted

Total number of observations subtracting rejected observations.

Type int

observations_rejected

Number of observations rejected.

Type int

computation

Date of computation (in format YYYYMMDD MJD TimeSys)

Type str

info

Information from the footer of the requested file.

Type str

additional_note

Additional information. Some objects (e.g. 99942 Apophis) have an additional note after the main footer.

Type str

class ESANEOCC.tabs.KeplerianOrbitProperties

This class contains information of keplerian asteroid orbit properties. This class inherits the attributes from OrbitProperties.

kep

Data frame which contains the keplerian elements information.

Type pandas.DataFrame

perihelion

Orbit perihelion in au.

Type int

aphelion

Orbit aphelion in au.

Type int

anode

Ascending node-Earth separation in au.

Type int



dnode

Descending node-Earth separation in au.

Type int

moid

Minimum Orbit Intersection distance in au.

Type int

period

Orbit period in days.

Type int

pha

Potential hazardous asteroid classification.

Type string

vinfty

Infinite velocity.

Type int

u_par

Uncertainty parameter as defined by MPC.

Type int

rms

Root mean square for keplerian elements

Type pandas.DataFrame

cov

Covariance matrix for keplerian elements

Type pandas.DataFrame

cor

Correlation matrix for keplerian elements

Type pandas.DataFrame

class ESANEOCC.tabs.OrbitProperties

This class contains information of asteroid orbit properties.

form

File format.

Type str

rectype

Record type.

Type str



refsys

Default reference system.

Type str

epoch

Epoch in MJD format.

Type str

mag

Data frame which contains magnitude values.

Type pandas.DataFrame

lsp

Data structure with information about non-gravitational parameters (model, numer of parameters, dimension, etc.).

Type pandas.DataFrame

ngr

Data frame which contains non-gravitational parameters.

Type pandas.DataFrame

class ESANEOCC.tabs.PhysicalProperties

This class contains information of asteroid physical properties

physical_properties

Data structure containing property, value, units and source from the complete set of physical properties

Type DataFrame

sources

Data structure containing source number, name and additional information

Type DataFrame

Raises ValueError – If the name of the object is not found

class ESANEOCC.tabs.Summary

This class contains the information from the Summary tab.

physical_properties

Data frame which contains the information of the object physical properties, their value and their units.

Type pandas.DataFrame

discovery_date

Provides the object discovery date

Type str



observatory

Provides the name of the observatory where object was discovered

Type str

ESANEOCC.tabs.get_indexes(dfobj, value)

Get a list with location index of a value or string in the DataFrame requested.

Parameters

- **dfobj** (pandas.DataFrame) Data frame where the value will be searched.
- value (str, int, float) String, integer or float to be searched.

Returns listofpos – List which contains the location of the value in the Data frame. The first elements will correspond to the index and the second element to the columns

Return type list

ESANEOCC.tabs.get_object_data(url)

Get object in byte format from requested url.

Parameters url (str) – URL of the requested data.

Returns data_obj – Object in byte format.

Return type object

ESANEOCC.tabs.get_object_url(name, tab, **kwargs)

Get url from requested object and tab name.

Parameters

- name (str) Name of the requested object.
- tab (str) Name of the request tab. Valid names are: summary, orbit_properties, physical_properties, observations, ephemerides, close_approaches and impacts.
- **kwargs (str) orbit_properties and ephemerides tabs required additional arguments to work:
 - *orbit_properties*: the required additional arguments are:
 - * orbit_element : str (keplerian or equinoctial)
 - * orbit_epoch : str (present or middle)
 - *ephemerides*: the required additional arguments are:
 - * observatory: str (observatory code, e.g. 500, J04, etc.)
 - * start : str (start date in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM)
 - * stop: str (end date in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM)



- * step: str (time step, e.g. 2, 15, etc.)
- * step_unit : str (e.g. days, minutes, etc.)

Returns url – Final url from which data is requested.

Return type string

Raises

- **KeyError** If the requested tab is not in the dictionary.
- **ValueError** If the elements requested are not valid.