usage: prospector [-h] [-0] [-A] [-u USES] [-B] [-D] [-T] [-8] [-m] [-F]

[--max-line-length MAX\_LINE\_LENGTH] [-M] [-S]

[-o OUTPUT\_FORMAT] [--absolute-paths] [-t TOOLS]

[-w WITH\_TOOLS] [-W WITHOUT\_TOOLS] [-P PROFILES]

[--profile-path PROFILE\_PATH]

[-s {veryhigh,high,medium,low,verylow}] [--show-profile]

[-E] [--pylint-config-file PYLINT\_CONFIG\_FILE] [-p PATH]

[-I IGNORE\_PATTERNS] [-i IGNORE\_PATHS] [-X]

[--include-tool-stdout] [--direct-tool-stdout] [--version]

[PATH [PATH ...]]

Performs static analysis of Python code

### positional arguments:

PATH The path to a Python project to inspect. Defaults to PWD if not specified. If multiple paths are specified, they must all be files (no directories).

#### optional arguments:

- -h, --help show this help message and exit
- -0, --zero-exit Prospector will exit with a code of 1 (one) if any messages are found. This makes automation easier; if there are any problems at all, the exit code is non-zero. However this behaviour is not always desirable, so if this flag is set, prospector will exit with a code of 0 if it ran successfully, and non-zero if it failed to run.
- -A, --no-autodetect Turn off auto-detection of frameworks and libraries used. By default, autodetection will be used. To specify manually, see the --uses option.
- -u USES, --uses USES A list of one or more libraries or frameworks that the project uses. Possible values are: django, celery, flask. This will be autodetected by default, but if autodetection doesn't work, manually specify them using this flag.
- -B, --no-blending Turn off blending of messages. Prospector will merge together messages from different tools if they represent the same error. Use this option to see all unmerged messages.
- -D, --doc-warnings Include warnings about documentation.
- -T, --test-warnings Also check test modules and packages.
- -8, --no-style-warnings

Don't create any warnings about style. This disables the PEP8 tool and similar checks for formatting.

#### -m, --member-warnings

Attempt to warn when code tries to access an attribute of a class or member of a module which does not exist. This is disabled by default as it tends to be quite inaccurate.

-F, --full-pep8 Enables every PEP8 warning, so that all PEP8 style violations will be reported.

#### --max-line-length MAX\_LINE\_LENGTH

The maximum line length allowed. This will be set by the strictness if no value is explicitly specified

- -M, --messages-only Only output message information (don't output summary information about the checks)
- -S, --summary-only Only output summary information about the checks (don'toutput message information)
- -o OUTPUT\_FORMAT, --output-format OUTPUT\_FORMAT

  The output format. Valid values are: emacs, grouped,
  json, pylint, text, vscode, xunit, yaml. This will
  output to stdout by default, however a target file can
  be used instead by adding :path-to-output-file, eg, -o
  json:output.json
- --absolute-paths Whether to output absolute paths when referencing files in messages. By default, paths will be relative to the project path

### -t TOOLS, --tool TOOLS

A list of tools to run. This lets you set exactly which tools to run. To add extra tools to the defaults, see --with-tool. Possible values are: bandit, dodgy, frosted, mccabe, mypy, pep257, pep8, profile-validator, pyflakes, pylint, pyroma, vulture. By default, the following tools will be run: dodgy, mccabe, pep257, pep8, profile-validator, pyflakes, pylint

## -w WITH\_TOOLS, --with-tool WITH\_TOOLS

A list of tools to run in addition to the default tools. To specify all tools explicitly, use the --tool argument. Possible values are bandit, dodgy, frosted, mccabe, mypy, pep257, pep8, profile-validator, pyflakes, pylint, pyroma, vulture.

## -W WITHOUT\_TOOLS, --without-tool WITHOUT\_TOOLS

A list of tools that should not be run. Useful to turn off only a single tool from the defaults. To specify all tools explicitly, use the --tool argument.

Possible values are bandit, dodgy, frosted, mccabe, mypy, pep257, pep8, profile-validator, pyflakes,

pylint, pyroma, vulture.

#### -P PROFILES, --profile PROFILES

The list of profiles to load. A profile is a certain 'type' of behaviour for prospector, and is represented by a YAML configuration file. Either a full path to the YAML file describing the profile must be provided, or it must be on the profile path (see --profile-path)

# --profile-path PROFILE\_PATH

Additional paths to search for profile files. By default this is the path that prospector will check, and a directory called ".prospector" in the path that prospector will check.

-s {veryhigh,high,medium,low,verylow}, --strictness {veryhigh,high,medium,low,verylow}

How strict the checker should be. This affects how harshly the checker will enforce coding guidelines.

The default value is "medium", possible values are "veryhigh", "high", "medium", "low" and "verylow".

--show-profile Include the computed profile in the summary. This will show what prospector has decided the overall profile is once all profiles have been combined and inherited from. This will produce a large output in most cases so is only useful when trying to debug why prospector is not behaving like you expect.

#### -E, --no-external-config

Determines how prospector should behave when configuration already exists for a tool. By default, prospector will use existing configuration. This flag will cause prospector to ignore existing configuration and use its own settings for every tool. Note that prospector will always use its own config for tools which do not have custom configuration.

## --pylint-config-file PYLINT\_CONFIG\_FILE

The path to a pylintrc file to use to configure pylint. Prospector will find .pylintrc files in the root of the project, but you can use this option to specify manually where it is.

-p PATH, --path PATH The path to a Python project to inspect. Defaults to PWD if not specified. Note: This command line argument is deprecated and will be removed in a future update. Please use the positional PATH argument instead.

-I IGNORE\_PATTERNS, --ignore-patterns IGNORE\_PATTERNS

A list of paths to ignore, as a list of regular expressions. Files and folders will be ignored if their full path contains any of these patterns.

# -i IGNORE\_PATHS, --ignore-paths IGNORE\_PATHS

A list of file or directory names to ignore. If the complete name matches any of the items in this list, the file or directory (and all subdirectories) will be ignored.

# -X, --die-on-tool-error

If a tool fails to run, prospector will try to carry on. Use this flag to cause prospector to die and raise the exception the tool generated. Mostly useful for development on prospector.

- --include-tool-stdout
- --direct-tool-stdout
- --version show program's version number and exit