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PYDKB PACKAGE

Common library for Data Knowledge Base Dataflow stages development.

Dataflow ETL process (extract-transform-load) for populating internal DKB storages and keeping them up to date

Dataflow stage Logical step of ETL process, implemented as standalone executable program (worker)

Dataflow stages are standalone programs, but can be combined into a pipeline by means of Kafka-based supervising program. For details about program compatibility with the supervisor please check documentation for the Metadata Integration Topology Management System (MInT MS) workers[1]. Worker program can be written in any language; `pyDKB` is intended to simplify this process for Python.

> **Warning:** There are three types of stages corresponding three types of ETL operations: *source connector* (data extraction), *processor* (transformation) and *sink connector* (load to internal DKB storage). Currently `pyDKB` library can be used only for *processor* stages, but in future versions *connector* stages will also be supported.

1.1 Quickstart guide

To create simple processor stage application first decide input and output data format. In following examples we will work with data in JSON format (for the full list of supported formats check *pyDKB.dataflow.messages module* section of this documentation).

Now let's start writing example processor `welcome.py` and implement message handler – functional part of the stage (operations to be performed on data flow units):

```
from pyDKB.dataflow.messages import JSONMessage

def my_process(stage, message):
    """ Single message processing. """
    input_data = message.content()
    name = input_data.get('name')
    if name:
        out_data = {'message': "Welcome, %s!" % name}
        out_message = JSONMessage(out_data)
        stage.output(out_message)
    return True
```

Function must take two arguments: `stage` (stage context object) and `message` (input message, which should be transformed by our stage). Message is a smallest data unit in the data flow running through the processor, and every message is to be processed independently of previous or following ones. `message.content()` and

[1] WIP

`JSONMessage(out_data)` statements are used to decode/encode message to/from Python `dict` object. Message, passed to the function, is taken from the input data flow; to write new message(s) to the output data flow, `stage.output(out_message)` is used. It can be used as many times as many output messages were generated (or once with the list of messages). In our example, messages without key `'name'` will produce no output messages, so `stage.output()` will not be called at all. In terms of data flow it means that the input message is filtered out and will not reach the *sink connector*.

Boolean return value of `my_process()` indicates if the processing was successful or not. If processing failed (`False` is returned), produced output messages will be dropped to avoid loading sketchy information into the DKB storages.

Now as we have processing logic implemented, we need to turn it into fully functional application. Add following lines to `welcome.py`:

```
import sys
from pyDKB.dataflow.stage import JSONProcessorStage
from pyDKB.dataflow.messages import JSONMessage

def my_process(stage, message):
    <...function code...>

if __name__ == '__main__':
    stage = JSONProcessorStage()
    stage.process = my_process
    stage.parse_args(sys.argv[1:])
    stage.run()
```

First we create stage object and indicate that input and output message format is JSON: `stage = JSONProcessorStage()` (for full list of processors check *pyDKB.dataflow.stage package* section of this documentation); then set stage processing function to our function `my_process()`, parse command line arguments (`stage.parse_args(sys.argv[1:])`) and start the stage execution.

Easy, right?

It's time to run our application. Create input data sample `input.ndjson` with following lines:

```
{"name": "James", "city": "New York"}
{"user": "Jonathan", "role": "support"}
{"name": "John Smith"}
```

and type:

```
$ python welcome.py --dest s input.ndjson
{"message": "Welcome, James!"}
{"message": "Welcome, John Smith!"}
```

`--dest s` indicates that output destination is (s)tdout (default destination is file). For full information about modes in which the stage application can be used, run `python welcome.py -h`.

That's it, your first application is ready to be integrated into an ETL process as data processing node. For details about ETL process creation check *MInT Supervisor*[2] documentation.

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1.2 Subpackages

1.2.1 pyDKB.common package

Common modules.

Submodules

pyDKB.common.Type module

Abstract class for type definitions.

Example

```
>>> myType = Type("Orange", "Apple")
>>> myType.add("Plum")
>>> t = myType.Orange
>>> if t == myType.Orange:
...     print "Orange!"
... elif t == myType.member("Apple"):
...     print "Apple!"
...
Orange!
>>> if not myType.member("Walnut"):
...     print "Wrong type!"
...
Wrong type!
```

class pyDKB.common.Type.**Type**(**args*)

Bases: object

Abstract class for type definitions.

Member names (*str*) are passed to the constructor as positional arguments.

add(*name*)

Add member.

Parameters **name** (*str*) – name of the member to be added

hasMember(*val*)

Check if the member exists (by value).

Parameters **val** (*int*) – member to be checked

Returns True/False

Return type bool

member(*name*)

Check if the member exists (by name).

Parameters **name** (*str*) – name to be checked

Returns member value or False if member does not exist

Return type int, bool

memberName(*val*)

Return string name of the member.

Parameters **val** (*int*) – member to retrieve name for

Returns member name of False if member does not exist

Return type str, bool

pyDKB.common.custom_readline module

Implementation of "readline"-like functionality for custom separator.

Todo: make import of `fcntl` (or of this module) optional to avoid errors when library is used under Windows.

pyDKB.common.custom_readline.**custom_readline**(*f*, *newline*)

Read lines with custom line separator.

Construct generator with readline-like functionality: with every call of `next()` method it will read data from `f` untill the `newline` separator is found; then yields what was read.

Warning: the last line can be incomplete, if the input data flow is interrupted in the middle of data writing.

Parameters

- **f** (*file*) – readable file object
- **newline** (*str*) – delimeter to be used instead of `\n`

Returns iterable object

Return type generator

Todo:

- make last "line" handling more strict: no `newline` == no line;
- rethink function name (as "line" is actually a "message");
- move functionality to `pyDKB.dataflow.communication`[1] submodule)

pyDKB.common.exceptions module

Definition of common modules exceptions

exception pyDKB.common.exceptions.**HDFSException**

Bases: `exceptions.RuntimeError`

Base Exception for HDFS module.

[1] https://github.com/PanDAWMS/dkb/pull/129

pyDKB.common.hdfs module

Utils to interact with HDFS.

pyDKB.common.hdfs.**check_stderr**(*proc*, *timeout=None*, *max_lines=1*)
Wait till the end of the subprocess and send its STDERR to STDERR.

Output only MAX_LINES of the STDERR to the current STDERR; if MAX_LINES == None, output all the STDERR.

Return value is the subprocess‘ return code.

pyDKB.common.hdfs.**getfile**(*fname*)
Download file from HDFS.

Return value: file name (without directory)

pyDKB.common.hdfs.**listdir**(*dirname*, *mode='a'*)
List files and/or subdirectories of HDFS directory.

Parameters: dirname – directory to list mode – ‘a’: list all objects

‘f’: list files ‘d’: list subdirectories

pyDKB.common.hdfs.**makedirs**(*dirname*)
Try to create directory (with parents).

pyDKB.common.hdfs.**putfile**(*fname*, *dest*)
Upload file to HDFS.

pyDKB.common.json_utils module

Utils to work with JSON (dict) objects.

pyDKB.common.json_utils.**nestedKeys**(*key*)
Transform STRING with nested keys into LIST.

Parameters:

STRING key – dot-separated list of nested keys. If a key contains dot itself, the key must be put between quotation marks.

pyDKB.common.json_utils.**valueByKey**(*json_data*, *key*)
Return value by a chain (list) of nested keys.

Parameters: DICT json_data – to search in STRING key – dot-separated list of nested keys

1.2.2 pyDKB.dataflow package

Dataflow organization utils.

Subpackages

pyDKB.dataflow.stage package

Stage submodule init file.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.**JSONProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage.AbstractProcessorStage*

JSON2JSON Processor Stage

Input message: JSON Output message: JSON

file_input (*fd*)
Override AbstractProcessorStage.file_input

file_nd_json (*fd*)
Read file as NDJSON file.

Raises ValueError if can't read the first line.

file_true_json (*fd*)
Read file as true JSON file.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.**TTLProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage.AbstractProcessorStage*

TTL2TTL Processor Stage

Input message: TTL Output message: TTL

output (*message*)
Put the (list of) message(s) to the output buffer.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.**JSON2TTLProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.JSONProcessorStage*, *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.TTLProcessorStage*

JSON2TTL Processor Stage

Input message: JSON Output message: TTL

input ()
Override: Falls back to JSONProcessorStage.input

output (*message*)
Override: Falls back to TTLProcessorStage.output

Submodules

pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage module

Definition of an abstract class for Dataflow Data Processing Stages.

USAGE: ProcessorStage [<options>] [<input files>]

OPTIONS:

-s, --source	{f|s|h} - where to get data from: local (f)iles, (s)tdin, (h)dfs
-i, --input-dir	DIR - base directory for relative input file names (for local and HDFS sources). If <input files> not specified, all files from the directory will be taken as the input.
-d, --dest	{f|s|h} - where to send data to: local (f)iles, (s)tdout, (h)dfs
-o, --output-dir	DIR - base directory for output files (for local and HDFS sources)
--hdfs	• equivalent to "–source h –dest h"

-m, --mode MODE - MODE: (f)ile = –source f –dest f (can be rewritten with 's' or 'h') (s)tream = –source s (can be rewritten with 'h') –dest s (m)apreduce = –source s (can be rewritten with 'h') –dest s

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage.**AbstractProcessorStage**(*description='DKB Dataflow data processing stage.'*)

Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractStage.AbstractStage*

Abstract class to implement Processor stages

Processor stage – is a stage for data processing/transfornation.

Class/instance variable description: * Current processing file name:

__current_file_full – full name with path __current_file – file name

- **Iterable object for input data sources (file descriptors)** __input
- **Output messages buffer:** __output_buffer
- Generator object for output file descriptor OR file descriptor (for (s)tream mode)

  __output
- **List of objects to be "stopped"** __stoppable

clear_buffer()
Drop buffered output messages.

defaultArguments()
Default parser configuration.

file_flush()
Flush message buffer into a file.

By default writes to file as to a stream. To be implemented individually if needed.

file_input(*fd*)
Generator for input messages.

By default reads file just as stream. To be implemented individually for other cases.

flush_buffer()
Flush message buffer to the output.

forward()
Send EOPMessage in the streaming output mode.

input()
Generator for input messages.

Returns iterable object. Every iteration returns single input message to be processed.

input_message_class()
Get input message class.

output(*message*)
Put the (list of) message(s) to the output buffer.

output_message_class()
Get output message class.

parseMessage(*input_message*)
Verify and parse input message.

Is called from input() method.

parse_args(*args*)
Parse arguments and set dependant arguments if neeeded.

static process(*stage*, *input_message*)
Transform input_message -> output_message.

To be implemented individually for every stage. Takes the stage as first argument to allow calling output()

from inside the function.

Return value: True – processing successfully finished False – processing failed (skip the input message)

run()
Run process() for every input() message.

stop()
Finalize all the processes and prepare to exit.

stream_flush(*fd=None*)
Flush message buffer as a stream.

stream_input(*fd*)
Generator for input messages.

Read data from STDIN; Split stream into messages; Yield Message object.

pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractStage module

Definition of an abstract class for Dataflow Stages.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractStage.**AbstractStage**(*description='DKB Dataflow stage'*)

Bases: object

Class/instance variable description: * Argument parser (argparse.ArgumentParser)

__parser

- **Parsed arguments (argparse.Namespace)** ARGS

add_argument(**args*, ***kwargs*)
Add specific (not common) arguments.

defaultArguments()
Config argument parser with parameters common for all stages.

parse_args(*args*)
Parse arguments and set dependant arguments if needed.

print_usage(*fd=<open file '<stderr>', mode 'w'>*)
Print usage message.

run()
Run the stage.

pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors module

Processor stages definitions (with predefined message type).

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.**JSONProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage.AbstractProcessorStage*

JSON2JSON Processor Stage

Input message: JSON Output message: JSON

file_input(*fd*)
Override AbstractProcessorStage.file_input

file_nd_json(*fd*)
Read file as NDJSON file.

Raises ValueError if can't read the first line.

file_true_json(*fd*)
Read file as true JSON file.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.**TTLProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.AbstractProcessorStage.AbstractProcessorStage*

TTL2TTL Processor Stage

Input message: TTL Output message: TTL

output(*message*)
Put the (list of) message(s) to the output buffer.

class pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.**JSON2TTLProcessorStage**
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.JSONProcessorStage*, *pyDKB.dataflow.stage.processors.TTLProcessorStage*

JSON2TTL Processor Stage

Input message: JSON Output message: TTL

input()
Override: Falls back to JSONProcessorStage.input

output(*message*)
Override: Falls back to TTLProcessorStage.output

Submodules

pyDKB.dataflow.cds module

Extended CDSInvenioConnector allowing us to login via Kerberos

pyDKB.dataflow.dkbID module

Utils to generate unique yet meaningful identifier for DKB objects.

pyDKB.dataflow.dkbID.**dkbID**(*json_data*, *data_type*)
Return unique identifier for object of TYPE based on DATA.

pyDKB.dataflow.exceptions module

Definition of DKB Dataflow exceptions

exception pyDKB.dataflow.exceptions.**DataflowException**
Bases: exceptions.Exception

Base Exception for Dataflow modules.

pyDKB.dataflow.messages module

Definition of abstract message class and specific message classes

class pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**AbstractMessage**(*message=None*)
Bases: object

Abstract message

content()
Return message content.

decode(*code*)
Decode original from CODE to TYPE-specific format.

Raises ValueError

decoded = None

encode(*code*)
Encode original message from TYPE-specific format to CODE.

Raises ValueError

encoded = None

classmethod extension()
Return file extension corresponding this message type.

getOriginal()
Return original message.

msg_type = None

native_types = []

classmethod typeName()
Return message type name as string.

exception pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**DecodeUnknownType**(*code*, *cls*)
Bases: exceptions.NotImplementedError

Exception to be thrown when message type is not decodable.

exception pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**EncodeUnknownType**(*code*, *cls*)
Bases: exceptions.NotImplementedError

Exception to be thrown when message type is not encodable.

class pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**JSONMessage**(*message=None*)
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.messages.AbstractMessage*

Message in JSON format.

decode(*code=1*)
Decode original data as JSON.

encode(*code=1*)
Encode JSON as CODE.

msg_type = 2

native_types = [<type 'dict'>]

pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**Message**(*msg_type*)
Return class XXXMessage, where XXX is the passed type.

class pyDKB.dataflow.messages.**TTLMessage**(*message=None*)
Bases: *pyDKB.dataflow.messages.AbstractMessage*

Messages in TTL format

Single message = single TTL statement

decode(*code=1*)
Decode original data as TTL.

Currently takes text as it is. TODO: check some formal matter to confirm the string is TTL.

encode(*code=1*)
Encode JSON as CODE.

msg_type = 3

native_types = [<type 'str'>, <type 'unicode'>]

pyDKB.dataflow.types module

Type definitions for library objects.

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