User Manual

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1 Introduction

This is the User Manual for the Controller program (https://github.com/SecureSECO/SearchSECOController). This manual assumes the software is installed as explained in the readme file of the GitHub repository.

2 Usage

A command can be run from the commandline using:

searchseco command [flag <argument>?]*

Or from Visual Studio using:

command [flag <argument>?]*

The implemented commands are described in section 5. To use the program to its fullest, be sure to also read about section 6.

3 Config file

The config.txt file located at cfg/config.txt contains the default values used for the flags. There are some extra flags that can be set in the config file that can not be set in the command line: github_username and github_token. These are used by the Crawler to get project meta data and to crawl urls. A token can be generated on the github site by going to your user settings -> Developer settings -> personal access tokens. In this file you can also set the name of the worker node for better statistical analysis.

Comments can be written in the config file by starting the line with a #. A flag can be set in the config file by starting with the long hand version of the flag, followed by a colon: and then the default value you want to give it.

4 Environment file .env

The .env file should contain the IP and ports of all servers you want to connect to. This file will be read and used to determine where requests have to be send to. This file should contain a API_IPS entry. This entry should be in the format API_IPS=ip1?port1,ip2?port2,ip3?port3. Each ip port combination should start with the ip of the server, followed by a question mark. After that should be the port. Each ip port combination should be separated by a comma.



5 COMMANDS

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start

searchseco start [flags]

Starts a worker node. This worker node will contribute with finding projects, processing them and sending the found information to the database. The user does not need to provide any input after starting this command. If the user wants the process to stop, they can type stop in the command line. The program will finish the project it is currently working on and terminate when it is done.

check

searchseco check <url> [flags]

Checks for occurrences of code from the given url in the database, after which the found results will be displayed.

upload

searchseco upload <url> [flags]

Uploads code from the given url to the database, including relevant metadata.

checkupload

searchseco checkupload <url> [flags]

Executes the check and upload command as specified above.

6 FLAGS

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All flags can be passed after calling searchseco command to change the way the programme behaves. Individual flags can be run without a command. All flags have a short and a long version. The short version is passed with a single dash followed by a single character (e.g. searchseco command -v). The long version is passed with two dashes followed by the name of the flag searchseco command --version. Some flags require an argument, this is passed directly after the flag tag (e.g. searchseco command -- branch master).

6.1 Individual Flags

- V

-version

Displays the version of the SearchSECO system, and the version of each of its subsystems. If this flag is used with a command, the command will be ignored and the version will be printed.

- h

-help

Displays the full help message. If this flag is used with a command, the help message for that specific command will be displayed.

6.2 Additional Flags

-V

-verbose

Use this flag to set the verbosity level of the console output. It can be used in combination with any command. Allowed values are 1 (Nothing), 2 (Errors), 3 (Warnings & Errors), 4 (Everything except debug), 5 (Debug).

Default value: 4 (Everything excep debug).

- C

- - cpu

The amount of CPU cores to make available to the worker node.

Minimum value: 2

Default value: half the amount of cores available on the machine.

-b

--branch

The branch the program will look at.

Default value: master



7 ERRORS

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7.1 Ranges

For overview of the user errors are put in ranges per submodule as follows.

 $\bf E001\text{-}E099$ - Controller Errors

 $\bf E100\text{-}E199$ - Crawler Errors

 $\mathbf{E200}\text{-}\mathbf{E299}$ - Spider Errors

 ${\bf E300\text{-}E399}$ - Parser Errors

 ${\bf E400\text{-}E499}$ - Database API response Errors.



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7.2 Error List

- **E001** The specified flag does not exist.
- E002 The specified flag does not exist in the config file.
- E003 The specified argument is invalid for its corresponding flag.
- **E004** The specified argument is invalid for its corresponding flag in the config file.
- ${\bf E005}$ A flag was entered with an unexpected amount of arguments.
- ${\bf E006}$ GitHub authentication data is missing in the config file.
- **E007** A command got an unexpected amount of arguments.
- E008 No command was entered.
- E009 The entered command does not exist.
- E010 The call as a whole as it was entered in the command line could not be parsed.
- **E011** A flag was incorrectly entered as if it were a full-length flag, while it actually is a shorthand flag (e.g. --c instead of -c).
- **E012** A flag was incorrectly entered as if it were a shorthand flag, while it actually is a full-length flag (e.g. -cpu instead of --cpu).
- E013 A flag could not be parsed at all (e.g. too many leading hyphens).
- **E014** The URL parameter was invalid.
- E015 Controller terminated after Crawler threw a fatal error.
- **E016** Controller terminated after Spider threw a fatal error.
- E017 Controller terminated after Parser threw a fatal error.
- E018 No .env file was found in the SearchSECOController folder.
- **E019** The .env does not contain data to connect to a Database API instance.
- E020 (Debug only) An unimplemented function was called.
- E101 GitHub responded with a JSON error.
- **E102** No valid GitHub credentials were provided.
- $\bf E103$ $\,$ The rate limit of the used GitHub token was exceeded.
- E104 You do not have access to the specified GitHub repository.
- **E105** GitHub responded with a Bad Gateway error.
- E106 The specified url was not found.
- E107 GitHub responded with an unknown error.
- E108 Could not index on the given key (the key does not exist in the JSON variable).
- E109 Parsing the given string as a JSON variable went wrong.
- **E110** A type (conversion) error occurred in a JSON variable.
- E111 A field was empty in a JSON variable while trying to get from that field. Difference between this and E108 is that this error is thrown when using a get() function.
- **E112** Out of range error while trying to index on a key.
- E200 (not in use) Git cloning failed.
- **E201** Opening a stream to read from or write to the command prompt failed.
- E202 (not in use) A file extension file was not found.
- E400 No connection could be made with a Database API.
- **E401** The Database API received a bad request.
- E402 Something went wrong in the Database API.
- **E403** The Database API responded in an unexpected way: the HTTP statuscode was not recognised.
- **E404** The database gave an invalid Job.