

# Reference Manual

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# Chapter 1

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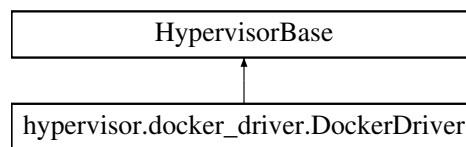
## Chapter 3

# Class Documentation

### 3.1 hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver Class Reference

docker driver for nfio.

Inheritance diagram for hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver:



#### Public Member Functions

- def **\_\_init\_\_**
- def [get\\_id](#)  
*Returns a container's ID.*
- def [get\\_ip](#)  
*Returns a container's IP address.*
- def [deploy](#)  
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- def [execute\\_in\\_guest](#)  
*Executed commands inside a docker container.*
- def [guest\\_status](#)  
*Returns the status of a docker container.*

### 3.1.1 Detailed Description

docker driver for nfio.

This class provides methods for managing docker containers.

Definition at line 20 of file `docker_driver.py`.

### 3.1.2 Member Function Documentation

**3.1.2.1** `def hypervisor.docker_driver.DockerDriver.deploy ( self, host, user, image_name, vnf_name, is_privileged = True )`

Deploys a docker container.

**Parameters**

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine where the docker container is to be deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user who owns the VNF
<i>image_name</i>	docker image name for the VNF
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF instance
<i>is_privileged</i>	if True then the container is deployed in privileged mode

**Returns**

docker container ID

Definition at line 166 of file `docker_driver.py`.

```

166
167     def deploy(self, host, user, image_name, vnf_name, is_privileged=True):
168         self._validate_host(host)
169         self._validate_image_name(image_name)
170         vnf_fullname = user + '-' + vnf_name
171         self._validate_cont_name(vnf_fullname)
172         dcx = self._get_client(host)
173         host_config = dict()
174         if is_privileged:
175             host_config['Privileged'] = True
176         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFDeployError):
177             container = dcx.create_container(
178                 image=image_name,
179                 hostname=host,
180                 name=vnf_fullname,
181                 host_config=host_config)
182             return container['Id']

```

**3.1.2.2** `def hypervisor.docker_driver.DockerDriver.destroy ( self, host, user, vnf_name, force = True )`

Destroys a docker container.

**Parameters**

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF
<i>force</i>	if set to False then a running VNF will not be destroyed. default is True

Definition at line 267 of file `docker_driver.py`.

```

267
268     def destroy(self, host, user, vnf_name, force=True):
269         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
270         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFDestroyError):
271             dcx.remove_container(container=vnf_fullname, force=force)

```

### 3.1.2.3 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.execute\_in\_guest ( self, host, user, vnf\_name, cmd )

Executed commands inside a docker container.

Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF
<i>cmd</i>	the command to execute inside the container

Returns

The output of the command passes as cmd

Definition at line 284 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

284
285     def execute_in_guest(self, host, user, vnf_name, cmd):
286         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
287         if self.guest_status(host, user, vnf_name) != 'running':
288             raise errors.VNFNotRunningError
289         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFCommandExecutionError
290 ):
291             response = dcx.execute(vnf_fullname,
292                                   ["/bin/bash", "-c", cmd], stdout=True, stderr=False)
293             return response

```

### 3.1.2.4 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.get\_id ( self, host, user, vnf\_name )

Returns a container's ID.

Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user who owns the VNF
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF instance whose ID is being queried

Returns

docker container ID.

Definition at line 130 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

130
131     def get_id(self, host, user, vnf_name):
132         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
133         return inspect_data['Id'].encode('ascii')

```

### 3.1.2.5 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.get\_ip ( self, host, user, vnf\_name )

Returns a container's IP address.

Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine where the docker container is deployed
-------------	--

<i>user</i>	name of the user who owns the VNF
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF instance whose ID is being queried

**Returns**

docker container's IP.

Definition at line 145 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

145
146     def get_ip(self, host, user, vnf_name):
147         if self.guest_status(host, user, vnf_name) != 'running':
148             raise errors.VNFNotRunningError
149         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
150         return inspect_data['NetworkSettings']['IPAddress'].encode('ascii')
```

**3.1.2.6 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.guest\_status ( self, host, user, vnf\_name )**

Returns the status of a docker container.

**Parameters**

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF

**Returns**

current state of the docker container

Definition at line 304 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

304
305     def guest_status(self, host, user, vnf_name):
306         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
307         return inspect_data['State']['Status'].encode('ascii')
```

**3.1.2.7 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.pause ( self, host, user, vnf\_name )**

Pauses a docker container.

**Parameters**

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF

Definition at line 238 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

238
239     def pause(self, host, user, vnf_name):
240         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
241         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFPauseError):
242             dcx.pause(container=vnf_fullname)
```

**3.1.2.8 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.restart ( self, host, user, vnf\_name )**

Restarts a docker container.

## Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF

Definition at line 210 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

210
211     def restart(self, host, user, vnf_name):
212         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
213         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFRestartError):
214             dcx.restart(container=vnf_fullname)

```

### 3.1.2.9 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.start( self, host, user, vnf\_name, is\_privileged = True )

Starts a docker container.

## Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF
<i>is_privileged</i>	if True then the container is started in privileged mode

Definition at line 194 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

194
195     def start(self, host, user, vnf_name, is_privileged=True):
196         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
197         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFStartError):
198             dcx.start(container=vnf_fullname,
199                      dns=self.__dns_list,
200                      privileged=is_privileged)

```

### 3.1.2.10 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.stop( self, host, user, vnf\_name )

Stops a docker container.

## Parameters

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF

Definition at line 224 of file docker\_driver.py.

```

224
225     def stop(self, host, user, vnf_name):
226         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
227         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFStopError):
228             dcx.stop(container=vnf_fullname)

```

### 3.1.2.11 def hypervisor.docker\_driver.DockerDriver.unpause( self, host, user, vnf\_name )

Unpauses a docker container.

**Parameters**

<i>host</i>	IP address or hostname of the machine/VM where the docker container is deployed
<i>user</i>	name of the user
<i>vnf_name</i>	name of the VNF

Definition at line 251 of file `docker_driver.py`.

```

251
252     def unpause(self, host, user, vnf_name):
253         dcx, vnf_fullname, inspect_data = self._lookup_vnf(host, user, vnf_name)
254         with self._error_handling(errors.VNFUnpauseError):
255             dcx.unpause(container=vnf_fullname)

```

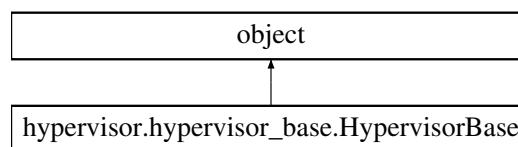
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/hypervisor/docker_driver.py`

## 3.2 hypervisor.hypervisor\_base.HypervisorBase Class Reference

Base class for hypervisors.

Inheritance diagram for `hypervisor.hypervisor_base.HypervisorBase`:

**Public Member Functions**

- def `get_id`  
*Returns the hypervisor specific ID of the VM or container.*
- def `deploy`  
*Deploys a VM or container.*
- def `pause`  
*Pauses a VM or container.*
- def `destroy`  
*Destroys a VM or container.*
- def `execute_in_guest`  
*Executes a command in the VM or container.*
- def `guest_status`  
*Returns the current status of a VM or container.*

### 3.2.1 Detailed Description

Base class for hypervisors.

This class must be extended by a hypervisor driver.

Definition at line 8 of file `hypervisor_base.py`.



### 3.2.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 3.2.2.1 def hypervisor.hypervisor\_base.HypervisorBase.deploy ( self )

Deploys a VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Hypervisor specific return code.

Definition at line 34 of file hypervisor\_base.py.

```
34
35     def deploy(self):
36         pass
```

#### 3.2.2.2 def hypervisor.hypervisor\_base.HypervisorBase.destroy ( self )

Destroys a VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Hypervisor specific return code.

Definition at line 60 of file hypervisor\_base.py.

```
60
61     def destroy(self):
62         pass
```

#### 3.2.2.3 def hypervisor.hypervisor\_base.HypervisorBase.execute\_in\_guest ( self )

Executes a command in the VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Hypervisor specific return code.

Definition at line 73 of file hypervisor\_base.py.

```
73
74     def execute_in_guest(self):
75         pass
```

#### 3.2.2.4 def hypervisor.hypervisor\_base.HypervisorBase.get\_id ( self )

Returns the hypervisor specific ID of the VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Hypervisor specific ID for a VM or container.

Definition at line 21 of file hypervisor\_base.py.

```
21
22     def get_id(self):
23         pass
```

### 3.2.2.5 `def hypervisor.hypervisor_base.HypervisorBase.guest_status ( self )`

Returns the current status of a VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Current status of a VM or container.

Definition at line 86 of file `hypervisor_base.py`.

```
86
87     def guest_status(self):
88         pass
```

### 3.2.2.6 `def hypervisor.hypervisor_base.HypervisorBase.pause ( self )`

Pauses a VM or container.

Args: Defined in derived class.

Returns: Hypervisor specific return code.

Definition at line 47 of file `hypervisor_base.py`.

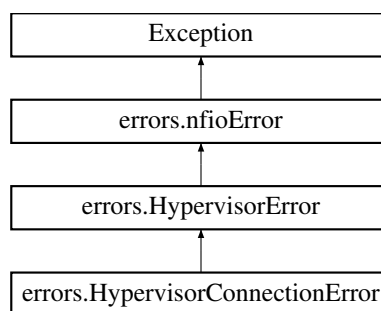
```
47
48     def pause(self):
49         pass
```

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/hypervisor/hypervisor_base.py`

## 3.3 `errors.HypervisorConnectionError` Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.HypervisorConnectionError`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.3.1 Detailed Description

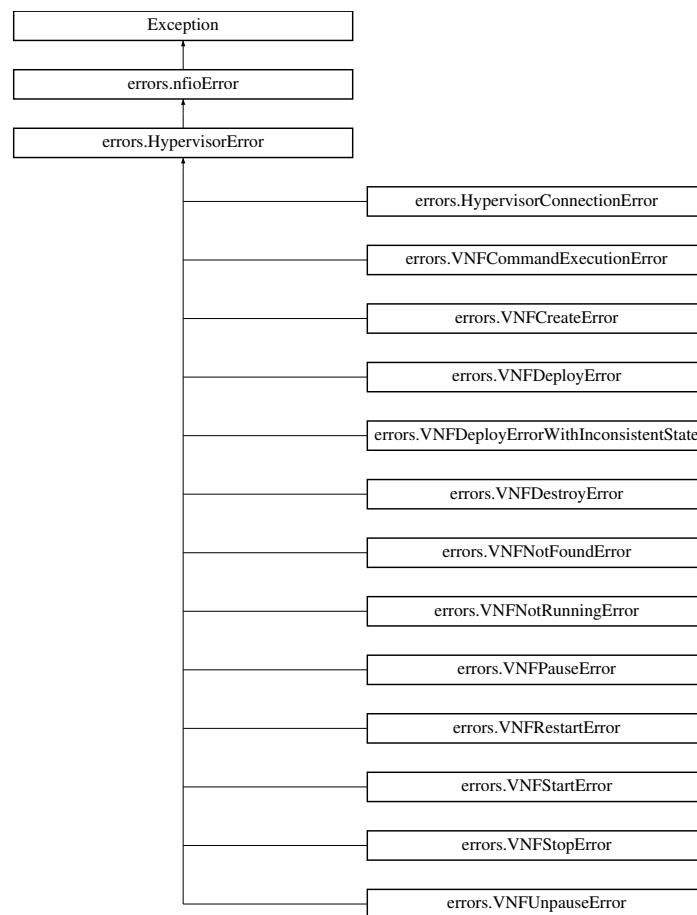
Definition at line 15 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.4 errors.HypervisorError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.HypervisorError:



### 3.4.1 Detailed Description

Definition at line 9 of file errors.py.

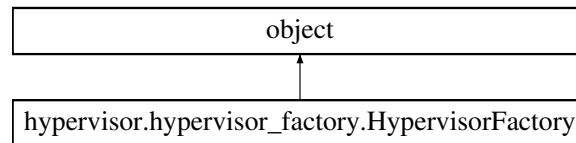
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.5 hypervisor.hypervisor\_factory.HypervisorFactory Class Reference

A singleton class for creating hypervisor driver objects.

Inheritance diagram for hypervisor.hypervisor\_factory.HypervisorFactory:



## Public Member Functions

- `def \_\_init\_\_`  
Instantiates a [HypervisorFactory](#) object.

## Static Public Member Functions

- `def get\_hypervisor\_instance`  
Returns the hypervisor driver nstance.

### 3.5.1 Detailed Description

A singleton class for creating hypervisor driver objects.

For an instantiation of nf.io there can be exactly one object of only one type of hyperviosr. HyervisorFactory takes care of the creation logic.

Definition at line 11 of file `hypervisor_factory.py`.

### 3.5.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 3.5.2.1 `def hypervisor.hypervisor_factory.HypervisorFactory.__init__( self, hypervisor_type = "DockerDriver" )`

Instantiates a [HypervisorFactory](#) object.

Args: `hypervisor_type`: The type of hypervisor object to instantiate. Valid hypervisor types are 'DockerDriver' and 'Libvirt' for the time being.

Returns: Nothing. Initializaes the factory object.

Note: If this factory class is instantiated multiple times with different types of `hypervisor_type` argument then it raises a `ValueError`.

If this factory class is instantiated with a hypervisor type other than Docker or Libvirt it raises a `TypeError`.

Definition at line 34 of file `hypervisor_factory.py`.

```

34
35     def __init__(self, hypervisor_type="DockerDriver"):
36         if not HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance:
37             if hypervisor_type == "DockerDriver":
38                 HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance_type = hypervisor_type
39                 HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance = DockerDriver()
40             elif hypervisor_type == "Libvirt":
41                 HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance_type = hypervisor_type
42                 HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance = Libvirt()
43             else:
44                 raise TypeError(
45                     "Invalid hypervisor type. Valid types are: Docker, Libvirt")
46         elif HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance_type != hypervisor_type:
47             raise ValueError(
48                 "An instantiation of type " +
49                 HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance_type +
50                 " already exists.")
  
```

### 3.5.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 3.5.3.1 `def hypervisor.hypervisor_factory.HypervisorFactory.get_hypervisor_instance ( ) [static]`

Returns the hypervisor driver nstance.

If the instance is not initialized then a `RuntimeError` is raised.

Definition at line 57 of file `hypervisor_factory.py`.

```

57
58     def get_hypervisor_instance():
59         if HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance is not None:
60             return HypervisorFactory.__hyp_instance
61         else:
62             raise RuntimeError("Hypervisor not initialized.")

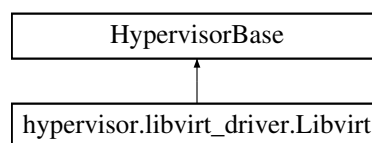
```

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/hypervisor/hypervisor_factory.py`

## 3.6 hypervisor.libvirt\_driver.Libvirt Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `hypervisor.libvirt_driver.Libvirt`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def deploy`
- `def pause`
- `def destroy`

#### 3.6.1 Detailed Description

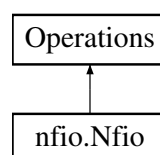
Definition at line 4 of file `libvirt_driver.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/hypervisor/libvirt_driver.py`

## 3.7 nfio.Nfio Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `nfio.Nfio`:



## Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`

*Instantiates a `Nfio` object.*

- def `access`
- def `chmod`
- def `chown`
- def `getattr`

*Returns the file attributes of the file specified by path Args: path: Path of the file fh: Open file handle to the file  
Returns: A dictionary containing file attributes.*

- def `readdir`
- def `readlink`
- def `mknod`
- def `rmdir`
- def `mkdir`

*The semantics have been redefined to create a new VNF instance when a directory is created under a specific type of VNF directory.*

- def `statfs`
- def `unlink`
- def `symlink`
- def `rename`
- def `link`
- def `utimens`
- def `open`
- def `create`
- def `read`

*Reads an open file.*

- def `write`

*Write to an open file.*

- def `truncate`
- def `flush`
- def `release`
- def `fsync`

## Public Attributes

- `root`
- `mountpoint`
- `hypervisor`
- `vnfs_ops`
- `module_root`

### 3.7.1 Detailed Description

Definition at line 22 of file `nfio.py`.

### 3.7.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 3.7.2.1 `def nfio.Nfio.__init__( self, root, mountpoint, hypervisor = 'Docker', module_root = 'middleboxes' )`

Instantiates a [Nfio](#) object.

Args: root: The root directory of nfio file system. The root directory stores persistent state about the system. mountpoint: The mountpoint of nfio file system. The mountpoint is required to intercept the file system calls via fuse. All the file system calls for fuse mounted files/directories are intercepted by libfuse and our provided implementation is executed. hypervisor: The type of hypervisor to use for deploying VNFs. The default is to use Docker containers. However, we also plan to add support for Libvirt. module\_root: Root directory of the middlebox modules. Each middlebox provides it's own implementation of certain system calls in a separate module. module\_root points to the root of that module. If nothing is provided a default of 'middleboxes' will be assumed. Returns: Nothing. Mounts nf.io file system at the specified mountpoint and creates a loop to act upon different file system calls.

Definition at line 52 of file nfio.py.

```

52
53         module_root='middleboxes'):
54     self.root = root
55     self.mountpoint = mountpoint
56     self.hypervisor = hypervisor
57     self.vnfs_ops = VNFSOperations(root)
58     self.module_root = module_root

```

### 3.7.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 3.7.3.1 `def nfio.Nfio.getattr( self, path, fh=None )`

Returns the file attributes of the file specified by path Args: path: Path of the file fh: Open file handle to the file Returns: A dictionary containing file attributes.

The dictionary contains the following keys: st\_atime: Last access time st\_ctime: File creation time st\_gid: Group id of the owner group st\_mode: File access mode st\_mtime: Last modification time st\_nlink: Number of symbolic links to the file st\_size: Size of the file in bytes st\_uid: User id of the file owner Note: For special placeholder files for VNFs, st\_size is set to a constant 1000. This is to make sure read utilities such as cat work for these special placeholder files.

Definition at line 119 of file nfio.py.

```

119
120     def getattr(self, path, fh=None):
121         opcode = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_opcode(path)
122         if opcode == VNFSOperations.OP_NF:
123             nf_type = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_nf_type(path)
124             if len(nf_type) > 0:
125                 try:
126                     mbox_module = importlib.import_module(
127                         self.module_root +
128                         "." +
129                         nf_type)
130                 except ImportError:
131                     logger.error('VNF module file missing. Add "" + nf_type
132                         + ".py" under the directory ' + self.module_root)
133                     ## TODO: raise an custom exception and handle it in a OS
134                     ## specific way
135                     raise OSError(errno.ENOSYS)
136                 return mbox_module._getattr(self.root, path, fh)
137             full_path = self._full_path(path)
138             st = os.lstat(full_path)
139             file_name = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_file_name(full_path)
140             return dict(
141                 (key,
142                  getattr(
143                      st,
144                      key)) for key in (
145                      'st_atime',
146                      'st_ctime',
147                      'st_gid',
148                      'st_mode',
149                      'st_mtime',

```

```

150         'st_nlink',
151         'st_size',
152         'st_uid'))

```

### 3.7.3.2 def nfio.Nfio.mkdir ( self, path, mode )

The semantics have been redefined to create a new VNF instance when a directory is created under a specific type of VNF directory.

Args: path: path of the directory to create. The path also represents the name of the new VNF instance to be created. mode: File access mode for the new directory. Returns: If path does not correspond to a directory under a specific VNF type directory then errno.EPERM is returned. Otherwise the return code is same as os.mkdir()'s return code.

Definition at line 188 of file nfio.py.

```

188
189     def mkdir(self, path, mode):
190         opcode = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_opcode(path)
191         if opcode == VNFSOperations.OP_NF:
192             nf_type = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_nf_type(path)
193             # Check if this directory is an instance directory or a type
194             # directory
195             path_tokens = path.split("/")
196             if path_tokens.index("nf-types") == len(path_tokens) - 2:
197                 return os.mkdir(self._full_path(path), mode)
198             mbox_module = importlib.import_module(
199                 self.module_root +
200                 "." +
201                 nf_type)
202             result = mbox_module._mkdir(self.root, path, mode)
203         elif opcode == VNFSOperations.OP_UNDEFINED:
204             result = errno.EPERM
205         return result

```

### 3.7.3.3 def nfio.Nfio.read ( self, path, length, offset, fh )

Reads an open file.

This nfio specific implementation parses path to see if the read is from any VNF or not. In case the read is from a VNF, the corresponding VNF module is loaded and the module's \_read function is invoked to complete the read system call.

Args: path: path represents the path of the file to read from length: number of bytes to read from the file offset: byte offset indicating the starting byte to read from fh: file descriptor of the open file represented by path

Returns: length bytes from offset byte of the file represented by fh and path

Notes: VNFs can have special files which are placeholders for statistics such as number of received/sent bytes etc. VNFs provide their own implementation of read and handle reading of these special placeholder files.

Definition at line 273 of file nfio.py.

```

273
274     def read(self, path, length, offset, fh):
275         full_path = self._full_path(path)
276         opcode = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_opcode(full_path)
277         file_name = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_file_name(full_path)
278         if opcode == self.vnfs_ops.OP_NF:
279             nf_type = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_nf_type(path)
280             mbox_module = importlib.import_module(
281                 self.module_root +
282                 "." +
283                 nf_type)
284             return mbox_module._read(self.root, path, length, offset, fh)
285         os.lseek(fh, offset, os.SEEK_SET)
286         return os.read(fh, length)

```



### 3.7.3.4 def nfio.Nfio.write ( self, path, buf, offset, fh )

Write to an open file.

In this nfio specific implementation the path is parsed to see if the write is for any specific VNF or not. If the write is for any file under a VNF directory then the corresponding VNF module is loaded and the module's `_write` function is invoked.

Args: path: path to the file to write buf: the data to write offset: the byte offset at which the write should begin fh: file descriptor of the open file represented by path

Returns: Returns the number of bytes written to the file starting at offset

Note: VNFs can have special files where writing specific strings trigger a specific function. For example, writing 'activate' to the 'action' file of a VNF will start the VNF. VNF specific modules handle such special cases of writing.

Definition at line 309 of file nfio.py.

```

309
310 def write(self, path, buf, offset, fh):
311     opcode = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_opcode(path)
312     full_path = self._full_path(path)
313     file_name = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_file_name(path)
314     if opcode == VNFSOperations.OP_NF:
315         nf_type = self.vnfs_ops.vnfs_get_nf_type(full_path)
316         mbox_module = importlib.import_module(
317             self.module_root +
318             "." +
319             nf_type)
320         return mbox_module._write(self.root, path, buf, offset, fh)
321
322     os.lseek(fh, offset, os.SEEK_SET)
323     return os.write(fh, buf)

```

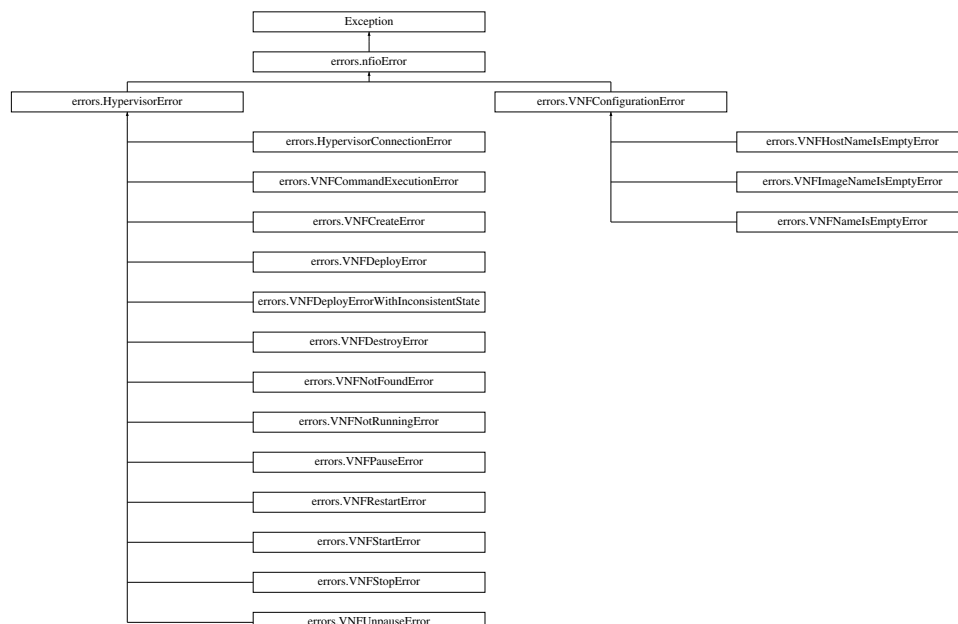
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/nfio.py

## 3.8 errors.nfioError Class Reference

This module contains all the custom exceptions defined for nf.io.

Inheritance diagram for errors.nfioError:



### 3.8.1 Detailed Description

This module contains all the custom exceptions defined for nf.io.

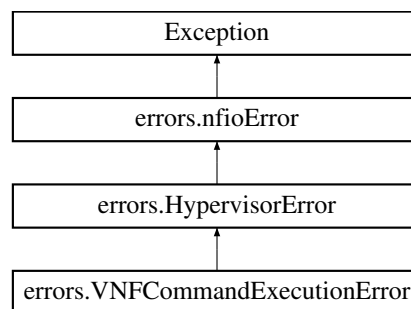
Definition at line 6 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.9 errors.VNFCommandExecutionError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFCommandExecutionError:



### Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.9.1 Detailed Description

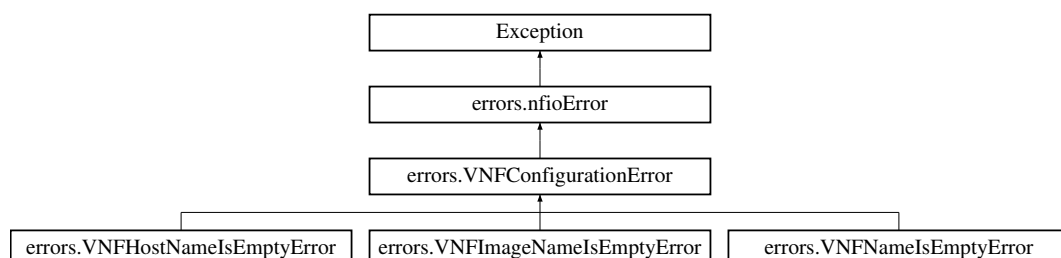
Definition at line 23 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.10 errors.VNFConfigurationError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFConfigurationError:



### 3.10.1 Detailed Description

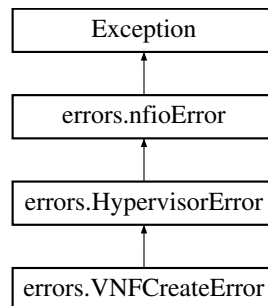
Definition at line 12 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.11 errors.VNFCreateError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFCreateError:



### Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.11.1 Detailed Description

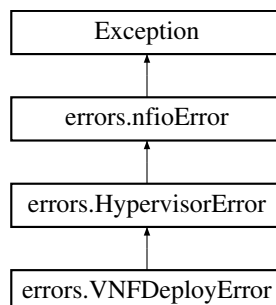
Definition at line 27 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.12 errors.VNFDeployError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFDeployError:



## Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

## Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.12.1 Detailed Description

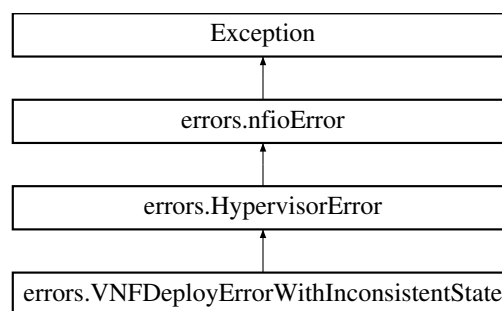
Definition at line 31 of file `errors.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py`

## 3.13 `errors.VNFDeployErrorWithInconsistentState` Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.VNFDeployErrorWithInconsistentState`:



## Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

## Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.13.1 Detailed Description

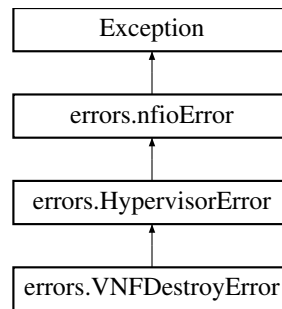
Definition at line 59 of file `errors.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py`

## 3.14 `errors.VNFDestroyError` Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.VNFDestroyError`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

#### 3.14.1 Detailed Description

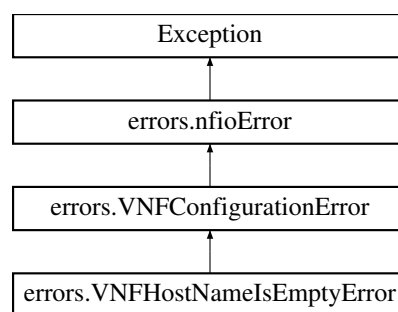
Definition at line 35 of file `errors.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py`

## 3.15 errors.VNFHostNamelsEmptyError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.VNFHostNamelsEmptyError`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.15.1 Detailed Description

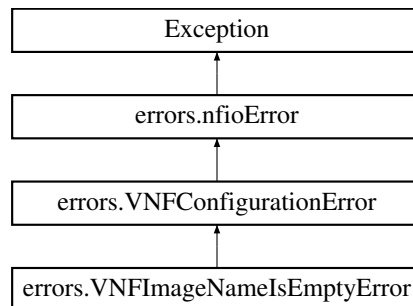
Definition at line 67 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.16 errors.VNFImageNameIsEmptyError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFImageNameIsEmptyError:



### Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.16.1 Detailed Description

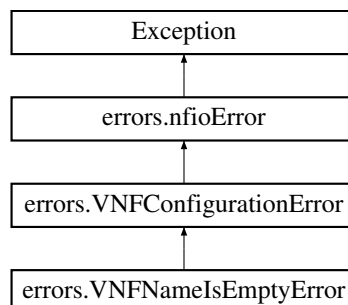
Definition at line 63 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.17 errors.VNFNameIsEmptyError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFNameIsEmptyError:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

#### 3.17.1 Detailed Description

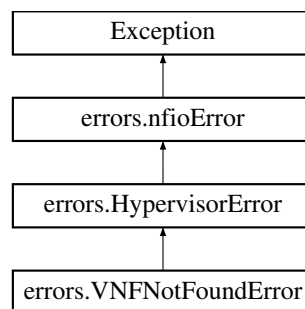
Definition at line 71 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.18 errors.VNFNotFoundError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFNotFoundError:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

#### 3.18.1 Detailed Description

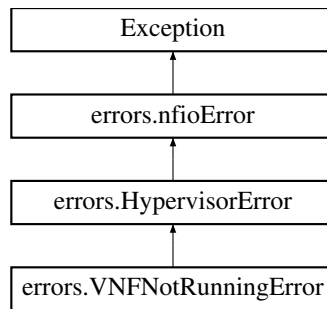
Definition at line 19 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.19 errors.VNFNotRunningError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFNotRunningError:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

#### 3.19.1 Detailed Description

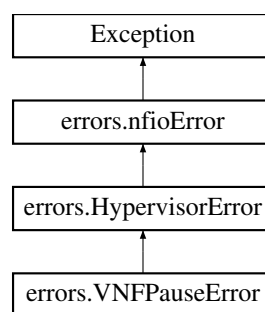
Definition at line 75 of file `errors.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py`

## 3.20 errors.VNFPauseError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.VNFPauseError`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`



### 3.20.1 Detailed Description

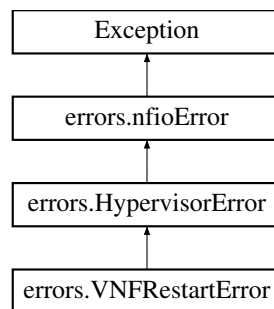
Definition at line 51 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.21 errors.VNFRestartError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFRestartError:



### Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`

### Public Attributes

- **errno**

### 3.21.1 Detailed Description

Definition at line 43 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

## 3.22 vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations Class Reference

Provides a common set of operations for nfio.

### Public Member Functions

- def `__init__`
- def `vnfs_create_vnf_instance`  
*Create the file system structure for a VNF.*
- def `vnfs_get_opcode`  
*Determinse the type of operation based on the path.*
- def `vnfs_get_nf_type`

- Parse the type of VNF from path.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_file\\_name](#)  
*Return the name of the file represented by a path.*
- def [vnfs\\_is\\_nf\\_instance](#)  
*Determines if a path represents an nf instance directory.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_instance\\_configuration](#)  
*Return the configuration parameters related to a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_deploy\\_nf](#)  
*Deploys and STARTS a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_stop\\_vnf](#)  
*Stops a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_start\\_vnf](#)  
*Starts a deployed VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_destroy\\_vnf](#)  
*Destroys a deployed VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_rx\\_bytes](#)  
*Reads the number of bytes received by a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_tx\\_bytes](#)  
*Reads the number of bytes sent by a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_pkt\\_drops](#)  
*Reads the number of packets dropped by a VNF instance.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_status](#)  
*Get the status of a VNF instance, e.g., the VNF is running/suspended/stopped etc.*
- def [vnfs\\_get\\_ip](#)  
*Get the status of a VNF instance, e.g., the VNF is running/suspended/stopped etc.*

## Public Attributes

- [vnfs\\_root](#)

## Static Public Attributes

- int **OP\_UNDEFINED** = 0xFF
- int **OP\_NF** = 0x01

### 3.22.1 Detailed Description

Provides a common set of operations for nfio.

These operations act as a helper.

Definition at line 25 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

### 3.22.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 3.22.2.1 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_create\_vnf\_instance ( self, path, mode )

Create the file system structure for a VNF.

Args: path: path of the new VNF instance. mode: file creation mode for the new VNF instance directory.

Returns: returns the return code of os.mkdir

Definition at line 52 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

```

52
53     def vnfs_create_vnf_instance(self, path, mode):
54         logger.info('Creating file/directory structure in ' + path)
55         full_path = self._full_path(path)
56         result = os.mkdir(full_path)
57         default_file_mode = 0o644
58         os.open(
59             full_path +
60             "/status",
61             os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
62             default_file_mode)
63
64         os.mkdir(full_path + "/config", mode)
65         os.open(full_path + "/config/boot.conf", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
66                 default_file_mode)
67         os.mkdir(full_path + "/machine", mode)
68         os.open(full_path + "/machine/ip", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
69                 default_file_mode)
70         os.open(full_path + "/machine/vm.vcpu", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
71                 default_file_mode)
72         os.open(full_path + "/machine/vm.memory", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
73                 default_file_mode)
74         os.open(full_path + "/machine/vm.image", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
75                 default_file_mode)
76         os.open(full_path + "/machine/vm.ip", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
77                 default_file_mode)
78         os.open(full_path + "/action", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
79                 default_file_mode)
80
81         default_file_mode = 0o444
82         os.mkdir(full_path + "/stats", mode)
83         os.open(full_path + "/stats/rx_bytes", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
84                 default_file_mode)
85         os.open(full_path + "/stats/tx_bytes", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
86                 default_file_mode)
87         os.open(full_path + "/stats/pkt_drops", os.O_WRONLY | os.O_CREAT,
88                 default_file_mode)
89         logger.info('Finished creating file/directory structure in ' + path)
90         return result

```

### 3.22.2.2 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_deploy\_nf( self, nf\_path )

Deploys and STARTS a VNF instance.

Args: nf\_path: path of the VNF instance.

Returns

void

Definition at line 207 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

```

207
208     def vnfs_deploy_nf(self, nf_path):
209         logger.info('Deploying new VNF at ' + nf_path)
210         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
211         vnfs_get_instance_configuration(nf_path)
212         try:
213             cont_id = self._hypervisor.deploy(
214                 ip_address, getpass.getuser(), image_name, nf_instance_name)
215             logger.debug(cont_id)
216         except errors.VNFDeployError:
217             logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' deployment failed')
218         else:
219             logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name
220                         + ' successfully deployed')
221             try:
222                 logger.info('Starting the deployed VNF instance: '
223                             + nf_instance_name)
224                 self._hypervisor.start(ip_address, cont_id)
225             except errors.VNFStartError:
226                 logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' start failed')
227                 # destroy the deployed VNF
228                 self._hypervisor.destroy(ip_address, cont_id)
229                 logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name
230                             + ' destroyed')
231             else:
232                 logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name
233                             + ' successfully deployed and started')

```

### 3.22.2.3 `def vnfs_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs_destroy_vnf( self, nf_path )`

Destroys a deployed VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: return codes are described in `hypervisor.hypervisor_return_codes` module.

Definition at line 278 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

278
279     def vnfs_destroy_vnf(self, nf_path):
280         logger.info("Destroying VNF at " + nf_path)
281         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
282             nf_path)
283         self._hypervisor.destroy(ip_address, getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name)
284         logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' successfully destroyed')
```

### 3.22.2.4 `def vnfs_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs_get_file_name( self, path )`

Return the name of the file represented by a path.

Args: `path`: the path of the file in concern

Returns: returns the name of the file, i.e., last token after / in the path.

Definition at line 141 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

141
142     def vnfs_get_file_name(self, path):
143
144         return path.split('/')[-1]
```

### 3.22.2.5 `def vnfs_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs_get_instance_configuration( self, nf_path )`

Return the configuration parameters related to a VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance. e.g., `/mnt/vnfsmnt/firewall/fw-alpha`

Returns: A tuple representing the configuration of the VNF instance. The tuple is organized in the following order:  
`nf_instance_name`: name of the VNF instance. `nf_type`: type of the VNF. `ip_address`: IP address of the machine where this VNF will be deployed. `image_name`: name of the VM/container image for that VNF.

Definition at line 184 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

184
185     def vnfs_get_instance_configuration(self, nf_path):
186         nf_instance_name = self.vnfs_get_file_name(nf_path)
187         nf_type = self.vnfs_get_nf_type(nf_path)
188         ip_address = ''
189         logger.debug(nf_path + '/machine/ip')
190         with open(nf_path + '/machine/ip') as ip_fd:
191             ip_address = ip_fd.readline().rstrip('\n')
192         image_name = ''
193         with open(nf_path + '/machine/vm.image') as img_fd:
194             image_name = img_fd.readline().rstrip('\n')
195         logger.info("Instance name: " + nf_instance_name + ", type: "
196             + nf_type + ", host-ip: " + ip_address + " VNF image: " + image_name)
197         return nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name
```

### 3.22.2.6 `def vnfs_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs_get_ip( self, nf_path )`

Get the status of a VNF instance, e.g., the VNF is running/suspended/stopped etc.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: Hypervisor specific status of the VNF. For example, if Docker is being used for VNF deployment then Docker specific container status message is returned.

Definition at line 390 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

390
391     def vnfs_get_ip(self, nf_path):
392         logger.info('Reading ip at ' + nf_path)
393         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
394             nf_path)
395         cont_ip = self._hypervisor.get_ip(ip_address, getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name)
396         logger.debug('cont_ip ' + cont_ip)
397         logger.info('Successfully read ip')
398         return cont_ip
399

```

### 3.22.2.7 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_nf\_type( self, path )

Parse the type of VNF from path.

Args: `path`: the path of the file/directory on which some operation is being performed.

Returns: Returns the type of VNF parsed from the path, e.g., if the path is `/mnt/vnfsroot/nf-types/firewall/fw-alpha/action` then returns `firewall`.

Definition at line 122 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

122
123     def vnfs_get_nf_type(self, path):
124         tokens = self._full_path(path).encode('ascii').split('/')
125         try:
126             return tokens[tokens.index("nf-types") + 1]
127         except ValueError:
128             return ""
129         except IndexError:
130             return ""

```

### 3.22.2.8 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_opcode( self, path )

Determine the type of operation based on the path.

Args: `path`: path to the file/directory on which the operation is being performed

Returns: If the file is under `nf-types` subdirectory in the `nfio` mount, then returns `OP_NF`. Otherwise, returns `OP_UNDEFINED`.

Definition at line 103 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

103
104     def vnfs_get_opcode(self, path):
105         tokens = self._full_path(path).encode('ascii').split('/')
106         if "nf-types" in tokens:
107             return VNFSOperations.OP_NF
108         return VNFSOperations.OP_UNDEFINED

```

### 3.22.2.9 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_pkt\_drops( self, nf\_path )

Reads the number of packets dropped by a VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: returns the number of packets dropped by a VNF instance.

Definition at line 339 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

339
340     def vnfs_get_pkt_drops(self, nf_path):
341         logger.info('Reading pkt_drops at ' + nf_path)
342         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
343             nf_path)
344         command = "ifconfig eth0 | grep -Eo 'RX .* dropped:[0-9]+' | cut -d':' -f 4"
345         response = self._hypervisor.execute_in_guest(
346             ip_address,
347             getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name,
348             command)
349         logger.info('Successfully read pkt_drops')
350         return response

```

#### 3.22.2.10 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_rx\_bytes ( self, nf\_path )

Reads the number of bytes received by a VNF instance.

Args: nf\_path: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: returns the number of bytes received by a VNF instance.

Definition at line 295 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

```

295
296     def vnfs_get_rx_bytes(self, nf_path):
297         logger.info('Reading rx_bytes at ' + nf_path)
298         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
299             nf_path)
300         command = "ifconfig eth0 | grep -Eo 'RX bytes:[0-9]+' | cut -d':' -f 2"
301         response = self._hypervisor.execute_in_guest(
302             ip_address,
303             getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name,
304             command)
305         logger.info('Successfully read rx_bytes')
306         return response

```

#### 3.22.2.11 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_status ( self, nf\_path )

Get the status of a VNF instance, e.g., the VNF is running/suspended/stopped etc.

Args: nf\_path: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: Hypervisor specific status of the VNF. For example, if Docker is being used for VNF deployment then Docker specific container status message is returned.

Definition at line 364 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

```

364
365     def vnfs_get_status(self, nf_path):
366         logger.info('Reading status at ' + nf_path)
367         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
368             nf_path)
369         response = ''
370         try:
371             response = self._hypervisor.guest_status(ip_address, getpass.getuser(),
372                 nf_instance_name)
373         except errors.VNFNotFoundError:
374             logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' does not exist')
375         logger.info('Successfully read status')
376         return response

```

#### 3.22.2.12 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_get\_tx\_bytes ( self, nf\_path )

Reads the number of bytes sent by a VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: returns the number of bytes sent by a VNF instance.

Definition at line 317 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

317
318     def vnfs_get_tx_bytes(self, nf_path):
319         logger.info('Reading tx_bytes at ' + nf_path)
320         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
321             nf_path)
322         command = "ifconfig eth0 | grep -Eo 'TX bytes:[0-9]+' | cut -d':' -f 2"
323         response = self._hypervisor.execute_in_guest(
324             ip_address,
325             getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name,
326             command)
327         logger.info('Successfully read tx_bytes')
328         return response

```

#### 3.22.2.13 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_is\_nf\_instance( self, path )

Determines if a path represents an nf instance directory.

Args: `path`: path of the file/directory in concern.

Returns: True: if path represents an nf instance directory. For example, if path is `/mnt/vnfsmnt/nf-types/firewall/fw-alpha` then returns True.

False: if the path does not represent an nf instance directory. For example, if path is `/mnt/vnfsmnt/nf-types/firewall/fw-alpha/action` then returns False.

Definition at line 160 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

160
161     def vnfs_is_nf_instance(self, path):
162         tokens = self._full_path(path).encode('ascii').split('/')
163         if ('nf-types' in tokens) and len(tokens) > tokens.index('nf-types') + \
164             1:
165             return True
166         return False

```

#### 3.22.2.14 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_start\_vnf( self, nf\_path )

Starts a deployed VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

Returns: return codes are described in `hypervisor.hypervisor_return_codes` module.

Definition at line 260 of file `vnfs_operations.py`.

```

260
261     def vnfs_start_vnf(self, nf_path):
262         logger.info("Starting VNF at " + nf_path)
263         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
264             nf_path)
265         self._hypervisor.start(ip_address, getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name)
266         logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' successfully started')

```

#### 3.22.2.15 def vnfs\_operations.VNFSOperations.vnfs\_stop\_vnf( self, nf\_path )

Stops a VNF instance.

Args: `nf_path`: path of the VNF instance.

**Returns**

void

Definition at line 242 of file vnfs\_operations.py.

```

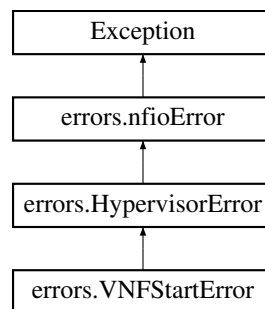
242
243     def vnfs_stop_vnf(self, nf_path):
244         logger.info("Stopping VNF at " + nf_path)
245         nf_instance_name, nf_type, ip_address, image_name = self.
vnfs_get_instance_configuration(
246             nf_path)
247         self._hypervisor.stop(ip_address, getpass.getuser(), nf_instance_name )
248         logger.info('Instance: ' + nf_instance_name + ' successfully stopped')
```

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/vnfs\_operations.py

### 3.23 errors.VNFStartError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFStartError:

**Public Member Functions**

- def `__init__`

**Public Attributes**

- `errno`

#### 3.23.1 Detailed Description

Definition at line 39 of file errors.py.

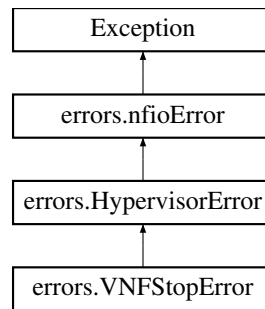
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py

### 3.24 errors.VNFStopError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for errors.VNFStopError:





### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

#### 3.24.1 Detailed Description

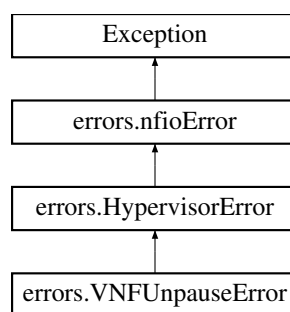
Definition at line 47 of file `errors.py`.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- `WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py`

## 3.25 errors.VNFUnpauseError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for `errors.VNFUnpauseError`:



### Public Member Functions

- `def __init__`

### Public Attributes

- `errno`

### 3.25.1 Detailed Description

Definition at line 55 of file errors.py.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

- [WatNFV/nf.io/src/errors.py](#)

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