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ansys-aedt-toolkits-common



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GETTING STARTED

This section explains how to install the PyAEDT Common Toolkit. It then explains this toolkits architecture and provides an example of how to use its common methods to develop a new Ansys Electronics Desktop (AEDT) toolkit.

Installation Learn how to install the PyAEDT Common Toolkit.

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Toolkit example

1.1 Installation

The PyAEDT Common Toolkit can be installed like any other open source package and then added as a dependency to a new toolkit project.

From PyPI, you can either install both the backend and user interface (UI) methods or install only the backend methods.

To install both the backend and UI methods, run this command:

```
pip install ansys-aedt-toolkits-common[all]
```

If you only need the common API, install only the backend methods with this command:

```
pip install ansys-aedt-toolkits-common
```

1.2 Architecture

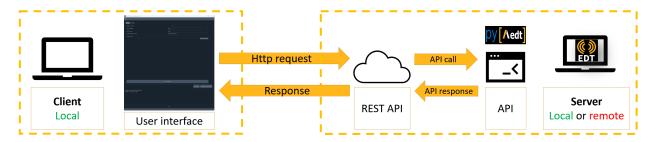
The AEDT Common Toolkit provides a common API for creating new AEDT toolkits. Thereby standardizing their implementations.

The API provides methods for connecting to an existing AEDT session, opening an existing AEDT project, and initializing a new AEDT session, which are basic capabilities required by any toolkit.

The architecture is divided in two main parts:

- Backend: Consists of the API and REST API. The API is built on PyAEDT. The REST API uses Flask to facilitate the creation of a REST API that enables interactions between different services through HTTP requests. By leveraging Flask, the toolkit becomes interface-agnostic, allowing flexibility in choosing different user interfaces such as a Web UI.
- User Interface: Provides UI creation capability using Pyside6. Pyside6 includes a designer tool for creating UIs translated directly to Python.

1.2.1 Toolkit architecture diagram



1.2.2 Toolkit backend and UI

The repository for the PyAEDT Common Toolkit is structured as follows:

```
pyaedt-toolkits-common
 .github
   workflows
       ci_cd.yml
 doc
   source
       examples
       getting_started
       toolkit
 src.ansys.aedt.toolkits
    common
        backend
           api.py
           rest_api.py
           common_properties.toml
           models.py
        ui
           common_windows
           main_window
           utils
           common_properties.toml
           models.py
 tests
    backend
pyproject.toml
README.rst
```

- .github: GitHub Action configuration.
- doc: Documentation structure.
- common: Toolkit code, split into backend and UI.

- backend:

Non-user-facing part of the toolkit for handling requests and preparing data for the UI. Key files include:

- * rest_api.py: Defines Flask entrypoints.
- * api.py: Defines the toolkit API.
- * common_properties.toml: Defines common backend properties.
- * models.py: Defines the class for storing backend properties.

- ui: UI part of the toolkit. Key files include:
 - * common_properties.toml: Defines common UI properties.
 - * models.py: Defines the class for storing UI properties.
- tests: Folder containing the backend unit tests.

1.2.3 Models and properties

The models.py file stores the backend properties that are shared between the backend and UI. Properties are loaded by loading the content of the properties in the class properties.

To understand how the backend and UI interact, see the actions_generic.py file in the repository. For example, when an event is triggered by the frontend, the get_properties() method builds the GET HTTP request to send to the backend to retrieve properties from the backend. The event of setting up a property calls the set_properties() method, which builds the PUT HTTP request that is sent to the backend.

1.2.4 API

The *Backend API reference* contains three classes, Common, AEDTCommon, and EDBCommon, which provide methods for controlling the toolkit workflow.

1.2.5 REST API

REST APIs are standard web interfaces allowing clients to communicate with services via HTTP requests. JSON is the standard for transferring data. In fact, REST APIs accept JSON for request payload and also send responses to JSON.

In the client-server architecture model, the client sends the request to the server to fetch some information. Server-side technologies decode JSON information and transmit back the response to the client. This interaction is handled by the HTTP protocol.

1.2.6 UI and backend interaction

The UI sends HTTP requests to retrieve data, while the backend returns appropriate results.

The toolkit uses CRUD (Create, Read, Update & Delete) operations that are simply HTTP request methods that specify the action to perform through the request.

1.2.7 UI

For more information on the UI, see UI API reference.

1.3 Toolkit example

The examples/toolkit/pyaedt_toolkit folder contains all files for creating a toolkit using the PyAEDT Common Toolkit.

1.3.1 Example walkthrough

Follow the steps outlined in the example to gain practical insights into toolkit implementation:

- 1. Access the example: Navigate to the examples/toolkit/pyaedt_toolkit folder.
- 2. Understand the toolkit structure:
 - Explore the directory and file structure of the example toolkit.
 - Gain insights into best practices for organizing toolkit components.

1.3.2 Toolkit structure

For optimal organization and maintainability, toolkits should adhere to the following structure:

```
pyaedt-toolkits-example
backend
    api.py
    models.py
    backend_properties.json
    run_backend.py

ui
    run_frontend.py
    actions.py
    frontend_properties.json
    windows
    models.json
```

1.3.3 Backend and UI

As described in Architecture, toolkits must have a separation between the backend and UI.

- The backend directory houses backend functionalities, including API and REST API definitions, data processing, and communication with the common library.
- The ui folder focuses on frontend interactions, managing the UI and connecting with backend functionalities.

1.3.4 API

The toolkit API controls the workflow, enabling the creation of an automated workflow without a UI.

```
ToolkitBackend(AEDTCommon)
```

The following code shows how to inherit common methods. You can play with the API in the Python console:

```
# Import API
from examples.toolkit.pyaedt_toolkit.backend.api import ToolkitBackend

# Object with generic methods to control the toolkits
toolkit_api = ToolkitBackend()

# Launch AEDT, using common API method
toolkit_api.launch_aedt()
toolkit_api.wait_to_be_idle()

# Create geometry, using specific API method
toolkit_api.create_geometry()
```

1.3.5 Models and properties

To introduce new properties to the toolkit, define them using models. Properties have a fixed type, so they are protected. In models, specify the type. In this example, two new properties, multiplier and geometry, are defined as float and string, respectively.

In the backend_properties.json file, define default values for both common and new properties. These properties are correctly loaded by being imported into the toolkit API, as seen here:

```
from models import properties
```

1.3.6 Run backend

A script, conventionally named rest_api.py for its role in managing the REST API of the toolkit, is referred to as run_backend.py in this example. Upon execution, the script launches a server that listens for incoming requests.

Similar to the API, this file inherits the common REST API, containing only the specific REST API functionalities required for the toolkit. The following Python code imports the REST API application from the common library:

```
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.rest_api import app
```

This code then creates an instance of the toolkit API object:

```
toolkit_api = ToolkitBackend()
```

1.3.7 Run frontend

The run_frontend.py script serves as the application launcher for the UI, built using PySide6. The file concludes with the following code, ensuring proper initialization using PySide6:

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    window = ApplicationWindow()
    window.show()
    sys.exit(app.exec())
```

The initialization of the ApplicationWindow class calls different common pages defined in *UI reference*.

If additional pages are to be added to the toolkit, include them along with any required actions inside the windows directory.

1.3.8 Common actions

Common actions define the calls to the REST API, as described in Actions.

1.3.9 UI properties

Similar to the backend, the UI has its own properties. The frontend_properties.json file enables customization of the UI theme, addition of new tabs, and modification of the URL and port for backend communication.

1.3.10 Run toolkit

The run_toolkit.py script facilitates the simultaneous execution of both the backend and UI in two different threads. This eliminates the need for launching the backend and UI separately. In cases where the backend is running remotely, execute the backend on the remote machine before running this script.

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BACKEND API REFERENCE

The backend API contains three classes, *AEDTCommon* `, EDBCommon, and Common, which provide methods for controlling the toolkit workflow:

- AEDTCommon: Provides methods for controlling AEDT. This class inherits the Common class.
- EDBCommon: Provides methods for controlling EDB. This class inherits the Common class.
- Common: Provides methods for controlling the toolkit flow.

In the following descriptions, you can click the class name to view detailed API information.

AEDTCommon([backend_properties])	Provides common functions for controlling AEDT.
<pre>EDBCommon([backend_properties])</pre>	Provides the generic API for controlling EDB.
Common([backend_properties])	Provides the API for controlling the toolkits.

2.1 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api.AEDTCommon

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api. $AEDTCommon(backend_properties: ThreadManager | None = None)$

Provides common functions for controlling AEDT.

This class provides basic functions for controlling AEDT and properties to share between the backend and UI.

Parameters

backend_properties

[backend.models.Properties] Updated properties.

Examples

```
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import AEDTCommon
>>> toolkit_api = AEDTCommon()
>>> msg = toolkit_api.launch_aedt()
```

__init__(backend_properties: ThreadManager | None = None)

init([backend_properties])	
aedt_sessions()	Get information for the active AEDT sessions.
connect_aedt()	Connect to an existing AEDT session.
<pre>connect_design([app_name])</pre>	Connect to an application design.
<pre>export_aedt_model([obj_list, export_path,])</pre>	Export the model in the OBJ format and then encode the file if the encode parameter is enabled.
<pre>get_design_names()</pre>	Get the design names for a specific project.
<pre>get_project_name(project_path)</pre>	Get the project name from the project path.
<pre>get_properties()</pre>	Get the toolkit properties.
<pre>get_thread_status()</pre>	Get the toolkit thread status.
<pre>installed_aedt_version()</pre>	Get the installed AEDT versions.
<pre>is_aedt_connected()</pre>	Check if AEDT is connected.
<pre>launch_aedt()</pre>	Launch AEDT.
<pre>launch_thread(process, *args)</pre>	Launch the thread.
<pre>open_project([project_name])</pre>	Open an AEDT project.
<pre>release_aedt([close_projects, close_on_exit])</pre>	Release AEDT.
<pre>save_project([project_path, release_aedt])</pre>	Save the project.
serialize_obj_base64(file_path)	Encode a bytes-like object.
set_properties(data)	Assign the passed data to the internal data model.
<pre>wait_to_be_idle([timeout])</pre>	Wait for the thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

2.2 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api.EDBCommon

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api.EDBCommon(backend_properties=None)
 Provides the generic API for controlling EDB.

This class provides basic functions to control EDB and properties to share between the backend and UI.

Parameters

backend_properties

[backend.models.Properties] Updated properties.

Examples

```
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import EDBCommon
>>> toolkit_api = EDBCommon()
>>> toolkit_api.load_edb("path/to/file")
```

__init__(backend_properties=None)

init([backend_properties])	
<pre>aedt_sessions()</pre>	Get information for the active AEDT sessions.
close_edb()	Close the EDB project.
<pre>get_properties()</pre>	Get the toolkit properties.
<pre>get_thread_status()</pre>	Get the toolkit thread status.
<pre>installed_aedt_version()</pre>	Get the installed AEDT versions.
<pre>launch_thread(process, *args)</pre>	Launch the thread.
<pre>load_edb([edb_path])</pre>	Load the EDB project.
<pre>save_edb([edb_path])</pre>	Save the EDB project.
serialize_obj_base64(file_path)	Encode a bytes-like object.
set_properties(data)	Assign the passed data to the internal data model.
<pre>wait_to_be_idle([timeout])</pre>	Wait for the thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

2.3 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api.Common

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api.**Common**(backend_properties=None)

Provides the API for controlling the toolkits.

This class provides basic functions to control AEDT and EDB and the properties to share between the backend and UI.

Parameters

backend properties

[backend.models.Properties] Updated properties.

Examples

```
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import Common
>>> toolkit_api = Common()
>>> toolkit_properties = toolkit_api.get_properties()
>>> new_properties = {"aedt_version": "2025.1"}
>>> toolkit_api.set_properties(new_properties)
>>> new_properties = toolkit_api.get_properties()
```

__init__(backend_properties=None)

init([backend_properties])	
aedt_sessions()	Get information for the active AEDT sessions.
<pre>get_properties()</pre>	Get the toolkit properties.
<pre>get_thread_status()</pre>	Get the toolkit thread status.
<pre>installed_aedt_version()</pre>	Get the installed AEDT versions.
<pre>launch_thread(process, *args)</pre>	Launch the thread.
serialize_obj_base64(file_path)	Encode a bytes-like object.
set_properties(data)	Assign the passed data to the internal data model.
<pre>wait_to_be_idle([timeout])</pre>	Wait for the thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

This code shows how to use the AEDTCommon class:

```
# Import API
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import AEDTCommon
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.utils import ToolkitThreadStatus
# Object with generic methods to control the toolkits
toolkit = AEDTCommon(properties)
# Get the default properties
properties_from_backend = toolkit.get_properties()
# Set properties, which is useful for setting more than one property
new_properties = {"use_grpc": True, "debug": False}
flag1, msg1 = toolkit.set_properties(new_properties)
# Get new properties
new_properties1 = toolkit.get_properties()
# Get AEDT installed versions
versions = toolkit.installed_aedt_version()
# Launch AEDT in a thread
msg3 = toolkit.launch_thread(toolkit.launch_aedt)
# Wait until thread is finished
toolkit.wait_to_be_idle()
# Get new properties, which should now contain project information
new_properties4 = toolkit.get_properties()
# Connect to the design
flag2 = toolkit.connect_design()
# Create a box
box = toolkit.aedtapp.modeler.create_box([10, 10, 10], [20, 20, 20])
box_name = box.name
```

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Release AEDT
flag3 = toolkit.release_aedt()

CHAPTER

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UI API REFERENCE

The PyADT Common Toolkit is designed to streamline the process of creating standard AEDT applications using Pyside6. The UI API provides a set of pre-built components, utilities, and an API that simplifies the development of robust and user-friendly applications.

The UI API contains three main modules: Utils, Windows, and Generic actions:

Utils Common user interface classes to define widgets and load templates.

Utils Windows Default Windows initialization.

Windows Generic actions Generic methods to call the REST API.

Actions

3.1 Utils

This section describes the classes for common widgets, objects, and layout templates, which are all designed for versatile application use. While a description of each class follows, you can click the class name to view detailed API reference information.

^{``}CommonWindowUtils``

CommonWindowUtils()	Class representing a common window with various UI functionalities.
	ous of functionalities.

3.1.1 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.windows.common_window_utils.CommonWindo

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.windows.common_window_utils.
CommonWindowUtils

Class representing a common window with various UI functionalities.

__init__()

init()	
<pre>add_combobox(layout[, height, width, label,])</pre>	Adds a label and combobox to a layout.
<pre>add_icon_button(layout, icon[, height,])</pre>	Add icon button.
add_n_buttons([layout, num_buttons,	Add a specified number of buttons to a layout
height,])	object.
<pre>add_textbox(layout[, height, width, label,])</pre>	Adds a label and textbox to a layout.
<pre>add_toggle(layout[, height, width, label,])</pre>	Add a label and a toggle button to a specified layout.
<pre>add_vertical_line(layout[, top_spacer,])</pre>	Add a vertical line.
<pre>clear_layout(layout)</pre>	Clear all layout.
create_animation(obj, property_name,)	Creates an animation with specified parameters.
<pre>get_left_menu(object_name)</pre>	Retrieves the QPushButton object in the left menu of the CommonWindow UI.
<pre>get_title_bar(object_name)</pre>	Get title.
<pre>is_left_column_visible()</pre>	Check if the left column is visible.
<pre>is_progress_visible()</pre>	Checks if the progress bar is visible.
<pre>is_right_column_visible()</pre>	Checks if the right column is visible.
<pre>item_index(layout, item)</pre>	Item index.
<pre>remove_item(layout, index)</pre>	Remove item by index.
<pre>set_left_column_menu(menu, title, icon_path)</pre>	Configures the left column of the Common-Window UI by setting the current widget as the provided <i>menu</i> ,
set_page(page)	Set the current page in the load_pages widget.
set_right_column_menu(title)	Sets the title of the right column menu.
<pre>setup_animation(left_start, right_start,)</pre>	Sets up an animation for the left and right columns of the UI.
start_box_animation(direction)	Starts a box animation in the specified direction.
<pre>toggle_left_column()</pre>	Toggles the left column of the CommonWindow by starting a box animation.
toggle_progress()	Toggles the progress row.
toggle_right_column()	Toggles the display of the right column in a common window.
update_logger(text)	Clear all layout.
update_progress(progress_value)	Clear all layout.
window_refresh()	Window refresh
=	

``LoadImages``

LoadImages([path])	A utility class for managing image and icon paths
	in a PySide6 desktop application.

3.1.2 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.images.load_images.LoadImages

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.images.load_images.LoadImages(path=None)
 A utility class for managing image and icon paths in a PySide6 desktop application.

This class facilitates the retrieval of image and icon paths, allowing the application to access and display graphical assets.

Parameters

path

[str, optional] The base path to the directory containing images. If not provided, the default path is the directory where the script is located.

Examples

```
>>> image_loader = LoadImages()
>>> icon_path = image_loader.icon_path("my_icon.png")
>>> image_path = image_loader.image_path("my_image.png")

__init__(path=None)
```

Methods

init([path])	
<pre>icon_path(icon_name)</pre>	Get the full path for the specified icon.
<pre>image_path(file_name)</pre>	Get the full path for the specified image file.

[&]quot;ThemeHandler"

ThemeHandler()	A class for managing themes in a PySide6 desktop
	application.

3.1.3 ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.themes.json_themes.ThemeHandler

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.themes.json_themes.ThemeHandler
 A class for managing themes in a PySide6 desktop application.

This class handles the loading, exporting, and management of themes used in the application.

Examples

```
>>> theme_handler = ThemeHandler()
>>> theme_handler.export_theme()

__init__() \rightarrow None
```

init()	
<pre>export_theme()</pre>	Export the current theme to the theme file.
read_theme()	Read and load theme settings from the theme file.

You use the CommonWindowUtils class to create custom widgets in the UI. The PyAEDT Common Toolkit also provides the additional widgets described in *Widgets*.

In addition to wrapped PySide6 widgets, the PyAEDT Common Toolkit provides these UI templates to enhance the overall layout:

- left_column.ui
- right_column.ui
- main_pages.ui

These templates serve as a foundation for creating default layouts. You can explore these templates in the ui templates directory of the repository.

3.1.4 Widgets

PyComboBox

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_combo_box.py_combo_box.PyComboBox(text_list,

radius=5, bg_color='#FFFFFF bg_color_hover='#F. text_color='#000000 font_size=12)

Combo box widget with customizable elements.

Inherits QComboBox and includes customizable elements including text, radius, color, and background colors in different states.

Parameters

text list

[list] List of options in combo box.

radius

[int, optional] Radius of combo box corners. The default is 5.

bg_color

[str, optional] Background color of the combo box. The default is "#FFFFFF".

bg_color_hover

[str, optional] Background color when mouse hovers over the combo box. The default is "#FFFFFF".

text color

[str, optional] Text color in the combo box. The default is "#000000".

font size

[int, optional] The font size of the text on the button.

Examples

PyCredits

Credits information widget with customizable elements.

Inherits QWidget and includes UILabels for credits and version information, with customizable styles.

Parameters

```
text
     [str, optional] Copyright text to be displayed. The default is "1 2024 MyApp Co.".

version
     [str, optional] Version information text to be displayed. The default is "0.0.1".

bg
     [str, optional] Background color for the widget. The default is "FFFFFF".

font_family
     [str, optional] Font family name for the text. The default is "Segoe UI".

text_size
     [int, optional] Size of the text. The default is 9.

text_description_color
     [str, optional] Color of the text. The default is "#FFFFFF".
```

```
radius
    [int, optional] Radius of the widgets corners. The default is 9.
padding
    [int, optional] Padding applied to the text in the labels. The default is 10.
```

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import *
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import *

>>> class MyApp(QMainWindow):
...     def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.credits = PyCredits()
...         self.credits.show()

>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
...         app = QApplication([])
...         window = MyApp()
...         sys.exit(app.exec())
```

PyDiv

Vertical divider widget with customizable elements.

```
Parameters
```

```
color
    [str, optional] The color of the divider in hex color code. The default is "#000000".
height
    [float, optional] Divider height. The default is 0.
width
    [float, optional] Divider width. The default is 20.
```

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication, QVBoxLayout, QPushButton
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import *
```

```
>>> class Example(QWidget):
>>> def __init__(self):
>>> super().__init__()
>>> layout = QVBoxLayout(self)
>>> layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 1"))
>>> layout.addWidget(PyDiv("#FF0000", 20))
>>> layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 2"))
```

```
>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
>>> app = QApplication([])
>>> window = Example()
>>> window.show()
>>> app.exec()
```

Pylcon

Icon widget with customizable elements.

The icon and color can be customized during initialization.

Parameters

icon path

[str] Path to the icon image file.

icon color

[str, optional] The color of the icon in hex color code. The default is "#000000".

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication, QVBoxLayout, QPushButton
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import *
>>> class Example(QWidget):
        def __init__(self):
>>>
>>>
            super().__init__()
>>>
            layout = QVBoxLayout(self)
            layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 1"))
            layout.addWidget(PyIcon('path_to_icon.svg', "#FF0000"))
>>>
            layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 2"))
>>>
>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
        app = QApplication([])
        window = Example()
>>>
        window.show()
>>>
        app.exec()
>>>
```

set_icon(icon_path, icon_color=None)

Set icon of the PyIcon widget.

The icon and color can be customized during initialization.

Parameters

icon path

[str] Path to the icon image file.

icon_color

[str, optional] The color of the icon in hex color code. The default is "#000000".

PylconButton

btn_id=None width=30, height=30, radius=8, bg_color='#3 bg_color_hov bg_color_pre icon_color='s icon_color_h icon_color_p icon_color_a dark_one='#. text_foregrou context color='#

top_margin=
is_active=Fall

Icon button widget that can be used as a colored icon.

The icon and color can be customized during initialization.

Parameters

```
icon_path
    [str] Path to the icon image file.
tooltip_text
    [str, optional] Text for tooltip.
    [str, optional] Identifier for the button.
width
    [int, optional] Width of the button.
height
    [int, optional] Height of the button.
    [int, optional] Radius for rounded corners.
bg color
    [str, optional] Background color in hex color code.
bg_color_hover
    [str, optional] Background color when hovered in hex color code.
bg_color_pressed
    [{\tt str}, {\tt optional}] Background color when being pressed in hex color code.
icon_color
    [str, optional] Icon color in hex color code.
icon_color_hover
    [str, optional] Icon color when hovered in hex color code.
```

```
icon color pressed
            [str, optional] Icon color when being pressed in hex color code.
        icon color active
            [str, optional] Active icon color in hex color code.
        dark one
            [str, optional] Color for dark theme in hex color code.
        text foreground
            [str, optional] Text color in hex color code.
        context_color
            [str, optional] Context color in hex color code.
        top_margin
            [int, optional] Top margin for tooltip.
        is active
            [bool, optional] Whether the button is currently active.
        The rest of the parameters customize the look and emit signals for
        different user interactions.
Examples
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication, QVBoxLayout, QPushButton
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import *
>>> class Example(QWidget):
         def __init__(self):
             super().__init__()
             layout = QVBoxLayout(self)
             layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 1"))
             layout.addWidget(PyIconButton('icon_signal.svg', "#FF0000", tooltip_
→text="Example")
             layout.addWidget(QPushButton("Button 2"))
>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
         app = QApplication([])
         window = Example()
         window.show()
         app.exec()
change_style(event)
    Change the style of the button based on the given event.
        Parameters
            event
              [QEvent] Event triggering the style change.
```

Parameters

Handle the enter event.

enterEvent(event)

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

>>>

```
event
                [QEvent] Enter event.
icon_paint(qp, image, rect)
     Paint the icon on the button.
         Parameters
             qp
                [QPainter] QPainter object.
                [str] Path to the icon image file.
                [QRect] Rectangle for the icon placement.
is_active()
     Check if the button is in an active state.
         Returns
             bool
                True if the button is active, False otherwise.
leaveEvent(event)
     Handle the leave event.
         Parameters
             event
                [QEvent] Leave event.
mousePressEvent(event)
     Handle the mouse press event.
         Parameters
             event
                [QEvent] Mouse press event.
mouseReleaseEvent(event)
     Handle the mouse release event.
         Parameters
             event
                [QEvent] Mouse release event.
paintEvent(event)
     Paint the button.
         Parameters
             event
                [QEvent] Paint event.
set_active(is_active)
     Set the active state of the button.
         Parameters
             is_active
                [bool] Whether the button is active or not.
```

```
set_icon(icon_path)
           Set the icon for the button.
               Parameters
                   icon_path
                      [str] Path to the icon image file.
PyLabel
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_label.py_label.PyLabel(text=",
                                                                                               color='#000000',
                                                                                              font\_size=8,
                                                                                              font_weight='bold')
      Label widget with customizable elements.
           Parameters
               text
                   [str, optional] Text to be displayed on the QLabel, by default an empty string.
               color
                   [str, optional] Color for the text, in hex format, by default #000000 (black).
               font size
                   [int, optional] Size for the font, by default is 8.
               font_weight
                   [str, optional] Weight for the font, by default is bold.
      apply_stylesheet(color, font_size, font_weight)
           Apply the custom styles defined in the class to the QLabel.
               Parameters
                   color
                      [str] Text color for the QLabel.
                   font_size
                      [int] Font size for the QLabel.
                   font weight
                      [str] Font weight for the QLabel.
```

PyLeftColumn

text_title_coldark_one='#
bg_color='#3
btn_color='#
btn_color_ho
btn_color_pr
icon_path='n
icon_color_h
icon_color_p
context_color='#
icon_close_p
radius=8)

Custom widget representing a left column with a title, an icon, and a close button.

Parameters

text title

[str] The title text for the left column.

text title size

[int] The font size of the title text.

text_title_color

[str] The color of the title text.

dark_one

[str] Color representing a dark shade.

bg_color

[str] Background color of the left column.

btn_color

[str] Color of the close button.

btn_color_hover

[str] Color of the close button when hovered.

$btn_color_pressed$

[str] Color of the close button when pressed.

icon_path

[str] Path to the icon image file.

icon_color

[str] Color of the icon.

icon_color_hover

[str] Color of the icon when hovered.

icon_color_pressed

[str] Color of the icon when pressed.

context_color

[str] Color representing a context or active state.

```
icon_close_path
        [str] Path to the close icon image file.

radius
        [int] Border radius of the left column.

btn_clicked()
        Emit signal when the close button is clicked.

btn_released()
        Emit signal when the close button is released.

setup_ui()
        Set up the user interface for the left column.
```

PyLeftButton

radius=8,
bg_color='#3
bg_color_pre
icon_color=';
icon_color_p
icon_color_a
icon_path='n
dark_one='#;
context_color='#
text_foregrou

is_active=Fa

height=30,

Left button widget designed to function as a left-aligned button with various style and interaction options.

Parameters

```
btn_id
    [str, optional] Button identifier.

width
    [int, optional] Button width.

height
    [int, optional] Button height.

radius
    [int, optional] Button corner radius.

bg_color
    [str, optional] Button background color.

bg_color_hover
    [str, optional] Button background color when hovered.

bg_color_pressed
    [str, optional] Button background color when pressed.
```

```
icon color
             [str, optional] Icon color.
         icon_color_hover
             [str, optional] Icon color when hovered.
         icon_color_pressed
             [str, optional] Icon color when pressed.
         icon color active
             [str, optional] Active icon color.
         icon_path
             [str, optional] Path to icon file.
         dark one
             [str, optional] Dark color for theming.
         context_color
             [str, optional] Context color for theming.
         text foreground
             [str, optional] Text foreground color.
         is_active
             [bool, optional] Whether the button is active.
change_style(event)
     Change the button style based on the event type.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Event triggering the style change.
enterEvent(event)
     Handle the enter event.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Enter event.
icon_paint(qp, image, rect)
     Paint the icon on the button.
         Parameters
             qp
               [QPainter] QPainter object.
             image
               [str] Path to the icon image.
               [QRect] Rectangle to paint the icon within.
is_active()
     Check if the button is active.
         Returns
             bool
               True if the button is active, False otherwise.
```

```
leaveEvent(event)
     Handle the leave event.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Leave event.
mousePressEvent(event)
     Handle the mouse press event.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Mouse press event.
mouseReleaseEvent(event)
     Handle the mouse release event.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Mouse release event.
paintEvent(event)
     Paint the button.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Paint event.
set_active(is_active)
     Set the active state of the button.
         Parameters
             is_active
               [bool] Whether the button is active.
set_icon(icon_path)
     Set the icon for the button.
         Parameters
             icon_path
               [str] Path to the icon image file.
```

PyLeftMenu

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_left_menu.py_left_menu.PyLeftMenu(parent=None,

```
app_parent=None,
dark one='#1b1e23'.
dark_three='#21252d
dark_four='#272c36'
bg_one='#2c313c',
icon color='#c3ccdf
icon_color_hover='#
icon_color_pressed=
icon_color_active='#
con-
text_color='#568af2'
text_foreground='#8a
text_active='#dce1ec
ra-
dius=8,
min-
i-
mum\_width=50,
тах-
i-
mum\_width=240,
icon_path='icon_men
icon_path_close='ico
tog-
gle_text='Hide
Menu',
tog-
gle_tooltip='Show
menu')
```

Custom widget representing a left menu with toggle button, top and bottom layouts, and animated toggle behavior.

Parameters

parent: QWidget, optional

The parent widget.

app_parent: QWidget, optional

The parent widget of the application.

dark_one: str, optional

Color representing a dark shade.

dark_three: str, optional

Color representing a darker shade.

dark_four: str, optional

Color representing an even darker shade.

bg_one: str, optional

Background color of the left menu.

icon_color: str, optional

Color of the icons in the left menu.

icon_color_hover: str, optional

Color of the icons when hovered.

icon_color_pressed: str, optional

Color of the icons when pressed.

icon_color_active: str, optional

Color of the icons in an active state.

context color: str, optional

Color representing a context or active state.

text_foreground: str, optional

Color of the text in the left menu.

text_active: str, optional

Color of the text in an active state.

radius: int, optional

Border radius of the left menu.

minimum_width: int, optional

Minimum width of the left menu. The default is 50.

maximum width: int, optional

Maximum width of the left menu. The default is 240.

icon_path: str, optional

Path to the icon image file for the toggle button.

icon_path_close: str, optional

Path to the icon image file for the toggle button when the menu is closed.

toggle_text: str, optional

Text for the toggle button.

toggle_tooltip: str, optional

Tooltip text for the toggle button.

add_menus(parameters)

Add menus to the left menu.

Parameters

parameters: list

List of dictionaries containing parameters for each menu item.

btn_clicked()

Emit signal when a menu button is clicked.

btn_released()

Emit signal when a menu button is released.

deselect_all()

Deactivate all menu buttons.

deselect_all_tab()

Deactivate all menu tabs.

select_only_one(widget: str)

Set the active state for a specific menu button and deactivate others.

Parameters

widget

[str] ID of the menu button to set as active.

```
select_only_one_tab(widget: str)
```

Set the active tab state for a specific menu button and deactivate others.

Parameters

widget

[str] ID of the menu button to set as active tab.

setup_ui()

Set up the user interface for the left menu.

toggle_animation()

Toggle animation for hiding/showing the left menu.

PyLineEdit

Custom QLineEdit widget with enhanced styling.

Parameters

text

[str, optional] The initial text for the line edit. Default is an empty string.

place_holder_text

[str, optional] The placeholder text to be displayed when the line edit is empty. Default is an empty string.

radius

[int, optional] The border radius of the line edit. Default is 8.

border_size

[int, optional] The border size of the line edit. Default is 2.

color

[str, optional] The text color of the line edit. Default is #FFF (white).

selection_color

[str, optional] The text selection color of the line edit. Default is #FFF (white).

bg color

[str, optional] The background color of the line edit. Default is #333 (dark gray).

bg_color_active

[str, optional] The background color of the line edit when active. Default is #222 (darker gray).

bg_color_active='#2.

text_color='#00ABE8' font size=12)

```
[str, optional] The color representing a context or active state. Default is #00ABE8 (blue).
               font size
                    [int, optional] The font size of the text on the button.
      set_stylesheet(radius, border_size, color, selection_color, bg_color_bg_color_active, context_color,
                        font size)
           Set the stylesheet for the PyLineEdit.
               Parameters
                    radius
                      [int] Border radius of the line edit.
                    border size
                      [int] Border size of the line edit.
                      [str] Text color of the line edit.
                   selection_color
                      [str] Text selection color of the line edit.
                    bg_color
                      [str] Background color of the line edit.
                    bg_color_active
                      [str] Background color when the line edit is active.
                   context color
                      [str] Color representing a context or active state.
                   font size
                      [int] The font size of the text on the button.
PyLogger
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_logger.py_logger.PyLogger(text_color='#f5f6f9',
                                                                                                    back-
                                                                                                    ground_color='#000000',
                                                                                                    font size=10,
                                                                                                    font_family='Segoe
                                                                                                    UI',
                                                                                                    height=50)
      Logger widget.
      Inherits QTextEdit and provides a simple interface for logging strings.
           Parameters
               text color
                   [str, optional] Text color. The default is "#f5f6f9".
               background_color: str, optional
                   Color of background. The default is "#000000".
               font_size: float or int, optional
                    Font size. The default is 10.
               font_family: str, optional
```

context color

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Font size. The default is "Segoe UI.

height: float or int

Logger height. The default is 10.

log(message)

Logs a message to the widget.

Parameters:

message: The string message to log.

PyProgress

```
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_progress.py_progress.PyProgress(progress=0,
```

```
progress_color='#ff79coloack-
ground_color='#15161';
text_color='#FFFFFF';
font_size=10,
font_family='Segoe
UI',
width=10)
```

A progress bar widget.

Inherits QWidget and includes customizable elements including progress, background color, progress color, and width.

Parameters

```
progress
```

[float or int, optional] Current progress value. The default is 0.

progress_color: str, optional

Color of progress bar. The default is "#ff79c6".

background_color: str, optional

Color of background. The default is "#151617".

width: float or int

Width of the progress bar. The default is 10.

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import *
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_progress.py_progress import

--PyProgress
>>> from random import randint
>>> from PySide6.QtCore import QTimer
```

Paint the progress bar.

Parameters

e

[QPaintEvent] Paint event.

property progress

Get the current progress value.

Returns

float or int

The current progress value.

PyPushButton

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_push_button.py_push_button.PyPushButton(text,

radius,
color,
bg_color_hov
bg_color_pre
font_size,
parent=None)

Initialize the PyPushButton.

Parameters

text

[str] The title text for the right column.

radius

[int] The border radius of the button.

color

[str] The text color of the button.

bg_color

[str] The background color of the button.

bg color hover

[int] The background color of the button when hovered.

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bg_color_pressed

[str] The background color of the button when pressed.

font size

[int] The font size of the text on the button.

parent

[str, optional] The parent widget. The default is None.

PyComboBox

dark_one
bg_color
btn_color
btn_color
icon_patl
icon_colo
icon_colo

context_color radius=8)

text title

Custom widget representing a right column with a title, an icon, and a content area.

Parameters

text_title

[str] The title text for the right column.

text_title_size

[int] The font size of the title text.

text_title_color

[str] The color of the title text.

dark_one

[str] Color representing a dark shade.

bg_color

[str] Background color of the right column.

btn_color

[str] Color of the buttons in the right column.

btn_color_hover

[str] Color of the buttons when hovered.

btn_color_pressed

[str] Color of the buttons when pressed.

icon_path

[str] Path to the icon image file.

icon_color

[str] Color of the icon.

 $bg_size=20$, $bg_radius=10$, *bg_color='#1b1e23'*, bg_color_hover='#1e2229',

 $dle_margin=2$,

 $dle\ size=16$,

 $dle\ radius=8$,

 $dle_color='#568af2'$,

dle color hover='#6c99f4',

dle_color_pressed='#3f6fd1')

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```
[str] Color of the icon when hovered.
               icon_color_pressed
                   [str] Color of the icon when pressed.
               context color
                   [str] Color representing a context or active state.
               radius
                   [int] Border radius of the right column.
     setup_ui()
           Set up the user interface for the title bar.
PySlider
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_slider.py_slider.PySlider(margin=0,
     Custom slider widget with customizable styles.
           Parameters
               margin
                   [int, optional] The margin of the slider, by default 0.
               bg size
                   [int, optional] The background size, by default 20.
               bg_radius
                   [int, optional] The background border radius, by default 10.
               bg_color
                   [str, optional] The background color, by default #1b1e23.
               bg color hover
                   [str, optional] The background color on hover, by default #1e2229.
```

icon color hover

handle margin

handle size

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[int, optional] The margin of the slider handle, by default 2.

[int, optional] The size of the slider handle, by default 16.

handle radius

[int, optional] The border radius of the slider handle, by default 8.

handle_color

[str, optional] The color of the slider handle, by default #568af2.

handle_color_hover

[str, optional] The color of the slider handle on hover, by default #6c99f4.

handle_color_pressed

[str, optional] The color of the slider handle when pressed, by default #3f6fd1.

PyTitleBar

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_title_bar.py_title_bar.PyTitleBar(parent,

```
app_parent,
logo_image='ansys-
primary-
logo-
white.svg',
logo\_width=10,
dark_one='#1b1e23'.
bg_color='#343b48',
div_color='#3c4454'
btn_bg_color='#3431
btn_bg_color_hover=
btn_bg_color_presse
icon_color='#c3ccdf
icon_color_hover='#
icon_color_pressed=
icon_color_active='#
con-
text\_color='\#6c99f4'
text_foreground='#8a
ra-
dius=8,
font_family='Segoe
UI',
ti-
tle\_size=10)
```

Custom title bar for the application window.

Parameters

parent

[QWidget] The parent widget.

app_parent

[QWidget] The main application window.

logo image

[str, optional] The path to the logo image file, by default ansys-primary-logo-white.svg.

logo_width

[int, optional] The width of the logo, by default 10.

dark one

[str, optional] The color for the dark theme, by default #1b1e23.

bg color

[str, optional] The background color, by default #343b48.

div color

[str, optional] The color for dividers, by default #3c4454.

btn bg color

[str, optional] The background color for buttons, by default #343b48.

btn bg color hover

[str, optional] The background color for buttons on hover, by default #3c4454.

btn_bg_color_pressed

[str, optional] The background color for buttons on pressed state, by default #2c313c.

icon color

[str, optional] The default icon color, by default #c3ccdf.

icon_color_hover

[str, optional] The icon color on hover, by default #dcelec.

icon_color_pressed

[str, optional] The icon color on pressed state, by default #edf0f5.

icon color active

[str, optional] The icon color for the active state, by default #f5f6f9.

context color

[str, optional] The context color, by default #6c99f4.

text foreground

[str, optional] The text color, by default #8a95aa.

radius

[int, optional] The border radius, by default 8.

font family

[str, optional] The font family, by default Segoe UI.

title size

[int, optional] The font size for the title, by default 10.

add_menus(parameters)

Add custom menus to the title bar.

Parameters

parameters

[list of dict] List of dictionaries, each containing information about a menu button. Each dictionary should have the following keys: - btn_icon: str, the icon file for the button. - btn_id: str, the ID of the button. - btn_tooltip: str, the tooltip text for the button. - is_active: bool, whether the button is initially active or not.

btn_clicked()

Handle the button click event.

btn_released()

Handle the button release event.

maximize_restore()

Maximize or restore the application window.

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PyTitleButton

class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_title_bar.py_title_button.PyTitleButton(parent,

app_parent=. tooltip_text= btn_id=None width=30, height=30, radius=8, bg_color='#3 bg_color_hov bg_color_pre icon_color=' icon_color_h icon_color_p icon_color_a icon_path='n dark one='#. context color='# text_foregrou

is_active=Fa

Customizable title button.

Inherits QPushButton and provides a customizable title button.

Parameters

```
parent
[QWidget] Parent widget.

app_parent
[QWidget, optional] Application parent widget. The default is None.

tooltip_text
[str, optional] Tooltip text for the button. The default is an empty string.

btn_id
[str, optional] Button ID. The default is None.

width
[int, optional] Width of the button. The default is 30.

height
[int, optional] Height of the button. The default is 30.

radius
[int, optional] Border radius of the button. The default is 8.
```

bg color

[str, optional] Background color of the button. The default is "#343b48".

bg color hover

[str, optional] Background color when the mouse hovers over the button. The default is "#3c4454".

bg color pressed

[str, optional] Background color when the button is pressed. The default is "#2c313c".

icon color

[str, optional] Icon color of the button. The default is "#c3ccdf".

icon color hover

[str, optional] Icon color when the mouse hovers over the button. The default is "#dcelec".

icon_color_pressed

[str, optional] Icon color when the button is pressed. The default is "#edf0f5".

icon color active

[str, optional] Icon color when the button is active. The default is "#f5f6f9".

icon_path

[str, optional] Path to the icon image. The default is "no_icon.svg".

dark one

[str, optional] Dark color for styling. The default is "#1b1e23".

context color

[str, optional] Context color for styling. The default is "#568af2".

text_foreground

[str, optional] Text foreground color. The default is "#8a95aa".

is active

[bool, optional] Initial state of the button (active or not). The default is False.

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication, QWidget
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import PyTitleButton
```

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```
app = QApplication([])
         window = MyApp()
         sys.exit(app.exec())
change_style(event)
     Change the style of the button based on the given event.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] The event triggering the style change.
enterEvent(event)
     Event triggered when the mouse enters the button.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Mouse enter event.
icon_paint(qp, image, rect)
     Draw the icon with specified colors.
         Parameters
               [QPainter] The QPainter object.
             image
               [str] Path to the icon image.
               [QRect] Rectangle representing the buttons area.
is_active()
     Check if the button is in an active state.
         Returns
             bool
               True if the button is active, False otherwise.
leaveEvent(event)
     Event triggered when the mouse leaves the button.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Mouse leave event.
mousePressEvent(event)
     Event triggered when the left mouse button is pressed.
         Parameters
             event
               [QEvent] Mouse press event.
```

mouseReleaseEvent(event)

Event triggered when the left mouse button is released.

Parameters

.....

Paint the button and its icon.

Parameters

event

[QEvent] Paint event.

set_active(is_active)

Set the active state of the button.

Parameters

is active

[bool] True to set the button as active, False otherwise.

set_icon(icon_path)

Set the icon of the button.

Parameters

icon path

[str] Path to the icon image.

PyToggle

```
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_toggle.py_toggle.PyToggle(width=50, bg\_color='\#777', cir-cle\_color='\#DDD', ac-tive\_color='\#00BCFF')
```

Customizable toggle switch.

Inherits QCheckBox and provides a customizable toggle switch with options for width, background color, circle color, active color, and animation curve.

Parameters

width

[int, optional] Width of the toggle switch. The default is 50.

bg_color

[str, optional] Background color of the toggle switch. The default is "#777".

circle_color

[str, optional] Color of the circle in the toggle switch. The default is "#DDD".

active color

[str, optional] Color of the toggle switch when active. The default is "#00BCFF".

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Examples

def toggle_state_changed(self, state): print(Toggle State:, state)

```
>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
... app = QApplication([])
... window = MyApp()
... sys.exit(app.exec())
```

hitButton(pos: QPoint)

Determine if a button press occurred within the toggle switch.

Parameters

pos

[QPoint] The position of the button press.

Returns

bool

True if the button press occurred within the toggle switch, False otherwise.

paintEvent(e)

Paint the toggle switch.

Parameters

e

[QPaintEvent] Paint event.

PyWindow

```
class ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets.py_window.py_window.PyWindow(parent,
```

```
margin=0,
spacing=2,
bg_color='#2c313c',
text_color='#fff',
text_font="9pt
'Segoe UI'",
bor-
der_radius=10,
bor-
der_size=2,
bor-
der_color='#343b48')
```

Custom window frame widget with customizable styling and drop shadow effect.

Inherits QFrame and provides a customizable window frame.

Parameters

parent

[QWidget] The parent widget for this PyWindow.

margin

[int, optional] The margin size around the window frame. Default is 0.

spacing

[int, optional] The spacing between layout items. Default is 2.

bg_color

[str, optional] The background color of the window frame. Default is #2c313c.

text color

[str, optional] The text color of the window frame. Default is #fff.

text font

[str, optional] The font of the text in the window frame. Default is 9pt Segoe UI.

border radius

[int, optional] The border radius of the window frame corners. Default is 10.

border_size

[int, optional] The size of the border around the window frame. Default is 2.

border color

[str, optional] The color of the border around the window frame. Default is #343b48.

Sets the style sheet of the PyWindow with customizable attributes.

Parameters

bg_color

[str, optional] The background color of the window frame.

border_radius

[int, optional] The border radius of the window frame corners.

border_size

[int, optional] The size of the border around the window frame.

border_color

[str, optional] The color of the border around the window frame.

text color

[str, optional] The text color of the window frame.

text_font

[str, optional] The font of the text in the window frame.

Examples

```
>>> import sys
>>> from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication, QMainWindow
>>> from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.utils.widgets import PyWindow
```

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```
>>> class MyApp(QMainWindow):
...    def __init__(self):
...         super().__init__()
...         self.window = PyWindow(self)
...         self.setCentralWidget(self.window)
...         self.show()

>>> if __name__ == "__main__":
...         app = QApplication([])
...         window = MyApp()
...         sys.exit(app.exec())
```

3.2 Windows

The Windows layout template is in the main_window directory in the repository.

The Common_windows directory contains the files for setting up the main window, home menu, and settings column.

The following script shows how to use the previous files to initialize the application.

```
# Import API
import os
import sys
from PySide6.QtWidgets import QApplication
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common_windows.home_menu import HomeMenu
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.common_windows.main_window import MainWindow
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.common_windows.settings_column import SettingsMenu
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.main_window.main_window_layout import (
   MainWindowLayout,
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.actions_generic import FrontendGeneric
# Object with generic methods to control the toolkits
class ApplicationWindow(FrontendGeneric):
   def __init__(self):
       FrontendGeneric.__init__(self)
        # Create UI object
        self.ui = MainWindowLayout(self)
        self.ui.setup()
        # Set up main window
        self.main_window = MainWindow(self)
        self.main_window.setup()
        # Set up settings menu
        self.settings_menu = SettingsMenu(self)
        self.settings_menu.setup()
```

```
self.home_menu = HomeMenu(self)
self.home_menu.setup()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    window = ApplicationWindow()
    window.show()
    sys.exit(app.exec())
```

3.3 Actions

The FrontendGeneric class provides a generic UI for controlling the toolkit. A backend must be running previously.

```
{\bf class} \ {\bf ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.actions\_generic.} {\bf Frontend Generic}
```

This class provides a generic frontend for controlling the toolkit.

```
backend_busy()
```

Check if the backend is currently busy.

Returns

boo

True if the backend is busy, False otherwise.

check_connection()

Check the backend connection.

Returns

bool

True when successful, False when failed.

closeEvent(event)

Handle the close event of the application window.

```
find_process_ids(version, non_graphical)
```

Find AEDT sessions based on the selected version and graphical mode.

Parameters

```
version
```

[str] AEDT version.

non_graphical

[bool] Flag indicating graphical or non-graphical mode.

Returns

list or False

A list of found AEDT sessions if successful, False otherwise.

get_aedt_data()

Get a list of AEDT projects.

Returns

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list

A list of AEDT project names. Returns [No Project] if no projects are available.

Get AEDT model.

Parameters

project_selected

[str] Project name.

design_selected

[str] Design name.

air objects

[bool, optional] Define if air and vacuum objects will be exported.

encode

[bool, optional] Whether to encode the file. The default is True.

obj_list

[list, optional] List of objects to export. The default is None, in which case every model object except 3D, vacuum, and air objects are exported.

export_path

[str, optional] Full path of the exported OBJ file. The default is None, in which case the file is exported in the working directory.

export_as_single_objects

[bool, optional] Whether to export the model as a single object. The default is True. If False, the model is exported as a list of objects for each object.

Returns

bool

True when successful, False when failed.

static get_project_name(project_path)

Get project name from project path.

Returns

str

Project name

get_properties()

Get properties from the backend.

Returns

dict or False

A dictionary of properties if successful, False otherwise.

installed_versions()

Get the installed versions of AEDT.

Returns

list or False

A list of installed AEDT versions if successful, False otherwise.

```
Launch AEDT.
         Parameters
             selected version
                [str] The selected AEDT version.
             selected_process
                [str] The selected AEDT process.
             non_graphical
                [bool, optional] Flag indicating whether to run AEDT in non-graphical mode. The de-
                fault is False.
log\_and\_update\_progress(msg, log\_level: str = 'debug', progress: int | None = None)
     Log a message and update the progress bar.
     This method logs the given message at the specified log level, and updates the progress bar to the given
     progress percentage if provided.
         Parameters
             msg
                [str] The log message.
             log_level
                [str, optional] The log level (debug, info, warning, error, critical). The default is debug.
                [int, optional] The progress percentage. If provided, it updates the progress bar.
on_cancel_clicked()
     Handle cancel button click.
open_project(selected_project)
     Open an AEDT project.
         Parameters
             selected project
                [str] The path to the selected AEDT project.
static poll_url(url: str, timeout: int = 10)
     Perform GET requests on URL.
     Continuously perform GET requests to the specified URL until a valid response is received.
         Parameters
             url
                [str] URL to poll.
             timeout
                [int, optional] Time out in seconds. The default is 10 seconds.
         Returns
             tuple
                A 2-tuple containing a string and a boolean. The boolean states if the GET requests suc-
                ceeded. The string represents the response or exception content.
```

launch_aedt(selected_version, selected_process, non_graphical=False)

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```
release_and_close()
    Release and close the AEDT desktop.
release_only()
```

Release the AEDT desktop without closing projects.

```
save_project()
```

Save the current AEDT project.

Opens a file dialog to select a location to save the AEDT project. The project is saved with a .aedt extension.

Note:

This method relies on backend communication to save the project.

Returns

None

set_properties(data)

Set properties in the backend.

Parameters

data

[dict] Dictionary of properties to set.

update_design_names(active_project=None)

Update design names based on the active project.

Parameters

active_project

[str, optional] The active AEDT project. If not provided, the current active project will be used.

Returns

list

A list of design names.

```
wait_thread(timeout: int = 10)
```

Wait thread until backend is idle.

Parameters

timeout

[int, optional] Time out in seconds. The default is 10 seconds.

Returns

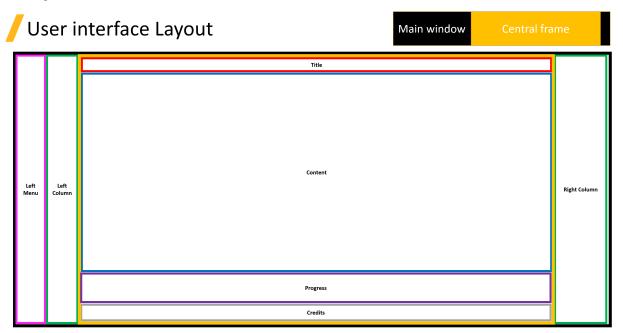
bool

True when the backend is idle, False otherwise.

You can modify the default properties with the following script:

```
# Import API
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.ui.models import general_settings
general_settings.high_resolution = False
```

This image shows the structure of the UI:



The UI is contained inside the main window. The main window contains some common widgets, such as the credits and title, that are initialized by default. You use the content widget to add new pages.

For initialization information, see the UI example.

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CHAPTER

FOUR

EXAMPLES

End-to-end examples show how to use the three classes in the backend API of the PyAEDT Common Toolkit and its REST API.

4.1 The AEDTCommon class

These examples show how to use the AEDTCommon class of the backend API:

4.1.1 AEDT simple example

This example shows how to use the AEDTCommon class to launch a new AEDT session in a thread, create an HFSS design, and create a coaxial.

Perform required imports

Perform the required imports.

```
[1]: import sys from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import AEDTCommon
```

Initialize toolkit

Initialize the toolkit.

```
[2]: toolkit = AEDTCommon()
```

Get toolkit properties

Get the toolkit properties.

```
[3]: properties_from_backend = toolkit.get_properties()
```

Set properties

Set non-graphical mode.

```
[4]: set_properties = {"non_graphical": True}
flag_set_properties, msg_set_properties = toolkit.set_properties(set_properties)

INFO - Updating internal properties.

DEBUG - Updating 'non_graphical' with value True

DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
```

Initialize AEDT

Launch a new AEDT session in a thread.

```
[5]: thread_msg = toolkit.launch_thread(toolkit.launch_aedt)

DEBUG - Starting thread: Toolkit_Thread

DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.

DEBUG - Launching AEDT.

PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_

v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
```

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

```
idle = toolkit.wait_to_be_idle()
if not idle:
    print("AEDT not initialized.")
    sys.exit()

DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.

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DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.

DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.
```

Connect design

Connect or create a new design.

```
[7]: toolkit.connect_design("HFSS")
    DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
    DEBUG - Connecting AEDT.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC]
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_e12b5e90-c3a3-
     4803-9e14-2a17141e8c25.log is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Debug logger is disabled. PyAEDT methods will not be logged.
    PyAEDT INFO: Launching PyAEDT with gRPC plugin.
    PyAEDT INFO: Connecting to AEDT session on gRPC port 51273.
    PyAEDT INFO: AEDT installation Path C:\Program Files\ANSYS Inc\v251\AnsysEM
```

```
DEBUG - Toolkit is connected to AEDT.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `designname` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use `design`_
     ⇒instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `projectname` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `project` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Returning found Desktop session with PID 8440!
    PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2650 has been created.
    PyAEDT INFO: Added design 'HFSS_9GEZGI' of type HFSS.
    PyAEDT INFO: Aedt Objects correctly read
    PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2650 Saved correctly
    DEBUG - Project name: Project2650
    INFO - Updating internal properties.
    DEBUG - Updating 'project_list' with value ['C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2650.
     ن aedt '
    DEBUG - Updating 'active_design' with value HFSS_9GEZGI
    DEBUG - Updating 'active_project' with value C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2650.
    DEBUG - Updating 'design_list' with value {'Project2650': ['HFSS_9GEZGI']}
    DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
    INFO - Toolkit is connected to AEDT design.
[7]: True
```

Get toolkit properties

Get the toolkit properties, which contain the project information.

[8]: new_properties = toolkit.get_properties()

Create a coaxial

Create a coaxial in the design.

```
[9]: coax = toolkit.aedtapp.modeler.create_coaxial([0, 0, 0], 1)

PyAEDT INFO: Modeler class has been initialized! Elapsed time: 0m 2sec
PyAEDT INFO: Materials class has been initialized! Elapsed time: 0m 0sec
```

Release AEDT

Release AEDT.

```
[10]: toolkit.release_aedt(False, False)

PyAEDT INFO: Desktop has been released.
```

```
INFO - AEDT is released.
[10]: True
     Export AEDT model
     Export the OBJ files.
[11]: files = toolkit.export_aedt_model()
     DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
     DEBUG - Connecting AEDT.
     PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
      \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
     PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
     PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
     PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `version` instead.
     PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `new_desktop` instead.
     PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
     PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_e12b5e90-c3a3-
      4803-9e14-2a17141e8c25.log is enabled.
     PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
     PyAEDT INFO: Debug logger is disabled. PyAEDT methods will not be logged.
     PyAEDT INFO: Launching PyAEDT with gRPC plugin.
     PyAEDT INFO: Connecting to AEDT session on gRPC port 51273.
     PyAEDT INFO: AEDT installation Path C:\Program Files\ANSYS Inc\v251\AnsysEM
     DEBUG - Toolkit is connected to AEDT.
     PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
      \sim v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
     PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
     PyAEDT INFO: Returning found Desktop session with PID 8440!
     PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2650 set to active.
     PyAEDT INFO: Active Design set to HFSS_9GEZGI
     PyAEDT INFO: Aedt Objects correctly read
     INFO - Toolkit is connected to AEDT design.
     PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2650 Saved correctly
     PyAEDT INFO: Parsing C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2650.aedt.
     PyAEDT INFO: File C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2650.aedt correctly loaded.
      →Elapsed time: 0m 0sec
     PyAEDT INFO: aedt file load time 0.032356977462768555
     PyAEDT INFO: PostProcessor class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: Post class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `export_as_single_objects` is deprecated for method `export_
      →model_obj`; use `export_as_multiple_objects` instead.
     PyAEDT INFO: Modeler class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: Desktop has been released.
      INFO - AEDT is released.
```

Release and close AEDT

Release and close AEDT.

```
[12]: toolkit.release_aedt(True, True)
      DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
      DEBUG - Connecting AEDT.
      PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
      \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
      PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
      PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
      PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `version` instead.
      PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `new_desktop` instead.
      PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
      PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_e12b5e90-c3a3-
      →4803-9e14-2a17141e8c25.log is enabled.
      PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
      PyAEDT INFO: Debug logger is disabled. PyAEDT methods will not be logged.
      PyAEDT INFO: Launching PyAEDT with gRPC plugin.
      PyAEDT INFO: Connecting to AEDT session on gRPC port 51273.
      PyAEDT INFO: AEDT installation Path C:\Program Files\ANSYS Inc\v251\AnsysEM
      DEBUG - Toolkit is connected to AEDT.
      PyAEDT INFO: Desktop has been released and closed.
      INFO - AEDT is released.
[12]: True
```

4.1.2 AEDT open project example

This example shows how to use the AEDTCommon class to launch a new AEDT session in a thread and open an existing AEDT project.

Perform required imports

Perform the required imports.

```
[1]: import sys
import os
import shutil
```

[2]: from ansys.aedt.core import generate_unique_folder_name

```
[3]: from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.utils import download_file from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import AEDTCommon
```

Initialize temporary folder and project settings

Initialize a temporary folder to copy the input file into and specify project settings.

```
[4]: URL_BASE = "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ansys/example-data/master/toolkits/common/"
    AEDT_PROJECT = "Test.aedt"
    URL = os.path.join(URL_BASE, AEDT_PROJECT)

    temp_folder = os.path.join(generate_unique_folder_name())

    local_project = os.path.join(temp_folder, AEDT_PROJECT)

    download_file(URL, local_project)

[4]: 'C:\\Users\\ansys\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\pyaedt_prj_LFA\\Test.aedt'
```

Initialize toolkit

Initialize the toolkit.

```
[5]: toolkit = AEDTCommon()
```

Initialize AEDT

Launch a new AEDT session in a thread.

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

```
[7]: idle = toolkit.wait_to_be_idle()
if not idle:
    print("AEDT not initialized.")
    sys.exit()

DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.
DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.
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DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.
DEBUG - Toolkit is busy and processing a task.
```

Open project

Open the project.

```
[8]: open_msg = toolkit.open_project(local_project)
    DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
    DEBUG - Connecting AEDT.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_b9b31360-6fdc-
     →4121-bc13-464df7ceb3ca.log is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Debug logger is disabled. PyAEDT methods will not be logged.
    PyAEDT INFO: Launching PyAEDT with gRPC plugin.
    PyAEDT INFO: Connecting to AEDT session on gRPC port 51106.
    PyAEDT INFO: AEDT installation Path C:\Program Files\ANSYS Inc\v251\AnsysEM
    DEBUG - Toolkit is connected to AEDT.
    DEBUG - Project C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_prj_LFA\Test.aedt is opened
                  _____
    AttributeError
                                              Traceback (most recent call last)
    File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
     →site-packages\ansys\aedt\core\internal\grpc_plugin_dll_class.py:118, in Aedt0bjWrapper.
     →__Invoke__(self, funcName, argv)
               self.dllapi.recreate_application(True)
        117
    --> 118 ret = _retry_ntimes(
        119
             settings.number_of_grpc_api_retries,
        120
               self.dllapi.AedtAPI.InvokeAedtObjMethod,
        121
               self.objectID,
        122
                funcName,
        123
                argv,
        124 ) # Call C function
        125 if ret and isinstance(ret, (AedtObjWrapper, AedtPropServer)):
    File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
     →site-packages\ansys\aedt\core\generic\general_methods.py:492, in _retry_ntimes(n, __
     →function, *args, **kwargs)
        491 if "__name__" in dir(function):
                raise AttributeError(f"Error in Executing Method {function.__name__}\.")
    --> 492
        493 else:
    AttributeError: Error in Executing Method InvokeAedtObjMethod.
    During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:
    GrpcApiError
                                              Traceback (most recent call last)
```

```
Cell In[8], line 1
----> 1 open_msg = toolkit.open_project(local_project)
File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
→site-packages\ansys\aedt\toolkits\common\backend\api.py:711, in AEDTCommon.open_
→project(self, project_name)
    709 self.desktop.odesktop.OpenProject(project_name)
    710 logger.debug("Project {} is opened".format(project_name))
--> 711 self.__save_project_info()
    712 self.release_aedt(False, False)
    713 return True
File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
→ site-packages\ansys\aedt\toolkits\common\backend\api.py:899, in AEDTCommon.__save_
→project_info(self)
            active_project = self.desktop.odesktop.SetActiveProject(project_list[0])
    898 active_project_name = active_project.GetName()
--> 899 active_design = active_project.GetActiveDesign()
    901 # Save active design info
    902 if active_design:
File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
→site-packages\ansys\aedt\core\internal\grpc_plugin_dll_class.py:138, in Aedt0bjWrapper.
→__GetObjMethod__.<locals>.DynamicFunc(self, *args)
    137 def DynamicFunc(self, *args):
           return self.__Invoke__(funcName, args)
File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
→site-packages\ansys\aedt\core\internal\grpc_plugin_dll_class.py:129, in Aedt0bjWrapper.
→__Invoke__(self, funcName, argv)
    127
           return ret
    128 except Exception: # pragma: no cover
           raise GrpcApiError(f"Failed to execute gRPC AEDT command: {funcName}")
GrpcApiError: Failed to execute gRPC AEDT command: GetActiveDesign
```

Get toolkit properties

Get the toolkit properties, which contain the project information.

```
[9]: new_properties = toolkit.get_properties()
```

Connect design

Connect or create a new design.

```
PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `projectname` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `project` instead.
     PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `version` instead.
     PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
      → `new_desktop` instead.
     PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
      →v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
     PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
     PyAEDT INFO: Returning found Desktop session with PID 8184!
     PyAEDT INFO: No project is defined. Project Test exists and has been read.
     PyAEDT INFO: Added design 'HFSS_XIJZE8' of type HFSS.
     PyAEDT INFO: Aedt Objects correctly read
     PyAEDT INFO: Project Test Saved correctly
     DEBUG - Project name: Test
     INFO - Updating internal properties.
     DEBUG - Updating 'project_list' with value ['C:/Users/ansys/AppData/Local/Temp/pyaedt_
      →prj_LFA/Test.aedt']
     DEBUG - Updating 'active_design' with value HFSS_XIJZE8
     DEBUG - Updating 'active_project' with value C:/Users/ansys/AppData/Local/Temp/pyaedt_
      →pri LFA/Test.aedt
     DEBUG - Updating 'design_list' with value {'Test': ['HFSS_XIJZE8']}
     DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
     INFO - Toolkit is connected to AEDT design.
[10]: True
```

Create a box

Create a box in the design.

```
[11]: toolkit.logger.info("Create Box")
     box = toolkit.aedtapp.modeler.create_box([10, 10, 10], [20, 20, 20])
     model = box.plot(show=False)
     model.show_grid = False
     model.plot(os.path.join(toolkit.aedtapp.working_directory, "Image.jpg"))
     INFO - Create Box
     PyAEDT INFO: Modeler class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om 2sec
     PyAEDT INFO: Materials class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                  File "C:\Python\Python310\Lib\runpy.py", line 196, in _run_module_as_main
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                    return _run_code(code, main_globals, None,
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                  File "C:\Python\Python310\Lib\runpy.py", line 86, in _run_code
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                    exec(code, run_globals)
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                   File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
     app.launch_new_instance()
     PyAEDT ERROR:
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                   File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
     →common\.venv\lib\site-packages\traitlets\config\application.py", line 1075, in launch_
     →instance
     PyAEDT ERROR:
                    app.start()
```

```
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\kernelapp.py", line 739, in start
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  self.io_loop.start()
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\tornado\platform\asyncio.py", line 205, in start
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  self.asyncio_loop.run_forever()
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\Python\Python310\Lib\asyncio\base_events.py", line 603, in run_
→forever
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  self._run_once()
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\Python\Python310\Lib\asyncio\base_events.py", line 1909, in _
→run_once
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  handle._run()
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\Python\Python310\Lib\asyncio\events.py", line 80, in _run
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  self._context.run(self._callback, *self._args)
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\kernelbase.py", line 545, in dispatch_queue
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  await self.process_one()
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\kernelbase.py", line 534, in process_one
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  await dispatch(*args)
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
PyAEDT ERROR:
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\kernelbase.py", line 437, in dispatch_shell
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  await result
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
{\tt \neg common \backslash .venv \backslash lib \backslash site-packages \backslash ipykernel \backslash ipkernel.py", \ line \ 362, \ in \ execute\_request}
                  await super().execute_request(stream, ident, parent)
PyAEDT ERROR:
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\kernelbase.py", line 778, in execute_request
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  reply_content = await reply_content
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\ipkernel.py", line 449, in do_execute
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  res = shell.run_cell(
PVAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\zmqshell.py", line 549, in run_cell
                  return super().run_cell(*args, **kwargs)
PyAEDT ERROR:
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_9872\396100405.py", ...
→line 3, in <module>
PyAEDT ERROR:
                  model = box.plot(show=False)
PyAEDT ERROR:
                File "C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-
→common\.venv\lib\site-packages\ansys\aedt\core\internal\checks.py", line 76, in wrapper
                  raise AEDTRuntimeError("The AEDT desktop object is not available.")
PyAEDT ERROR:
PyAEDT ERROR: The aedt desktop object is not available. on wrapper
PyAEDT ERROR: Last Electronics Desktop Message - [error] the project is not activated
AttributeError
                                          Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[11], line 4
      2 box = toolkit.aedtapp.modeler.create_box([10, 10, 10], [20, 20, 20])
      3 model = box.plot(show=False)
----> 4 model.show_grid = False
      5 model.plot(os.path.join(toolkit.aedtapp.working_directory, "Image.jpg"))
                                                                           (continues on next page)
```

```
AttributeError: 'bool' object has no attribute 'show_grid'
```

Save and release AEDT

Save and release AEDT.

```
[12]: toolkit.release_aedt(True, True)
PyAEDT INFO: Desktop has been released and closed.
INFO - AEDT is released.
[12]: True
```

Remove temporary folder

Remove the temporary folder.

```
[13]: shutil.rmtree(temp_folder, ignore_errors=True)
```

4.1.3 AEDT connect session example

This example shows how to use the Common AEDT API to connect to an existing AEDT session, create a HFSS design and create a waveguide.

Perform required imports

Perform the required imports.

```
[1]: import os
import sys
from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import AEDTCommon
import ansys.aedt.core
```

Initialize toolkit

Initialize the toolkit.

```
[2]: toolkit = AEDTCommon()
```

Get toolkit properties

Get the toolkit properties, which contain the project information.

```
[3]: properties_from_backend = toolkit.get_properties()
```

```
[4]: True
```

Get AEDT sessions

Get AEDT sessions and select the first one.

```
[5]: sessions = toolkit.aedt_sessions()
    first_key, first_value = next(iter(sessions.items()))
    if first_value == -1:
        use_grpc = False
        selected_process = first_key
    else:
        use_grpc = True
        selected_process = first_value

DEBUG - Active AEDT sessions: {9876: 50922}.
```

Set properties

Specify the AEDT session selection.

```
[6]: new_properties = {"selected_process": selected_process, "use_grpc": use_grpc}
flag, msg = toolkit.set_properties(new_properties)

INFO - Updating internal properties.

DEBUG - Updating 'selected_process' with value 50922
DEBUG - Updating 'use_grpc' with value True
DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
```

Initialize AEDT

Launch a new AEDT session in a thread.

```
[7]: thread_msg = toolkit.launch_thread(toolkit.launch_aedt)
    DEBUG - Starting thread: Toolkit_Thread
    DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
    DEBUG - Launching AEDT.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     →`new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_398c3e4a-978a-
     →4f07-9f49-4865f2947c7f.log is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
```

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle

Wait for the toolkit thread to be idle and ready to accept a new task.

```
[8]: idle = toolkit.wait_to_be_idle()
    if not idle:
        print("AEDT not initialized.")
        sys.exit()
    DEBUG - Toolkit is idle and ready to accept a new task.
```

Connect design

Connect or create a new design.

```
[9]: toolkit.connect_design("HFSS")
    DEBUG - Toolkit is not connected to AEDT.
    DEBUG - Connecting AEDT.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Initializing new Desktop session.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on console is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on file C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_ansys_398c3e4a-978a-
     →4f07-9f49-4865f2947c7f.log is enabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Log on AEDT is disabled.
    PyAEDT INFO: Debug logger is disabled. PyAEDT methods will not be logged.
    PyAEDT INFO: Launching PyAEDT with gRPC plugin.
    PyAEDT INFO: Connecting to AEDT session on gRPC port 50922.
    PyAEDT INFO: AEDT installation Path C:\Program Files\ANSYS Inc\v251\AnsysEM
    DEBUG - Toolkit is connected to AEDT.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `designname` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use `design`_
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `projectname` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     →`project` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `specified_version` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `version` instead.
    PyAEDT WARNING: Argument `new_desktop_session` is deprecated for method `__init__`; use_
     → `new_desktop` instead.
    PyAEDT INFO: Python version 3.10.11 (tags/v3.10.11:7d4cc5a, Apr 5 2023, 00:38:17) [MSC_
     \rightarrow v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)].
    PyAEDT INFO: PyAEDT version 0.15.3.
    PyAEDT INFO: Returning found Desktop session with PID 9876!
    PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2649 has been created.
    PyAEDT INFO: Added design 'HFSS_LSBB26' of type HFSS.
    PyAEDT INFO: Aedt Objects correctly read
    PyAEDT INFO: Project Project2649 Saved correctly
```

```
DEBUG - Project name: Project2649

INFO - Updating internal properties.

DEBUG - Updating 'project_list' with value ['C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2649.

aedt']

DEBUG - Updating 'active_design' with value HFSS_LSBB26

DEBUG - Updating 'active_project' with value C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2649.

aedt

DEBUG - Updating 'design_list' with value {'Project2649': ['HFSS_LSBB26']}

DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.

INFO - Toolkit is connected to AEDT design.
```

Get toolkit properties

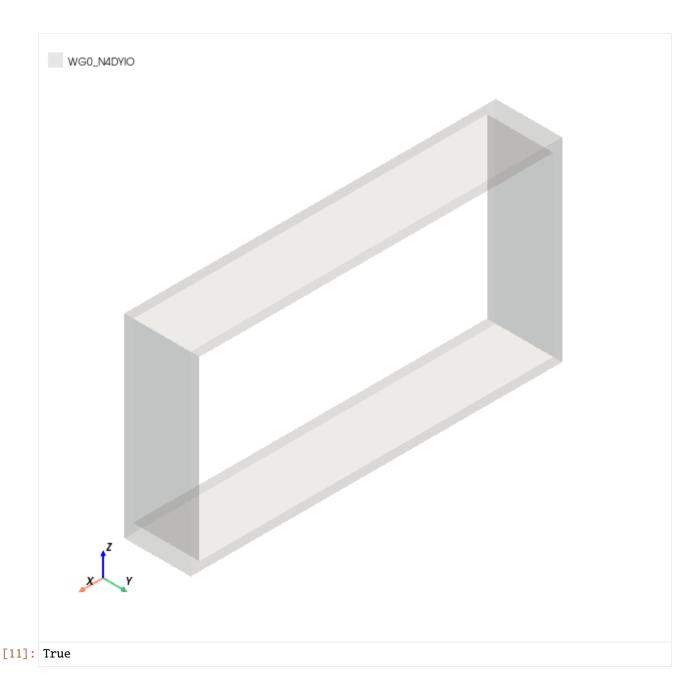
Get the toolkit properties, which contain the project information.

```
[10]: new_properties = toolkit.get_properties()
```

Create a waveguide

Create a waveguide in the design.

```
[11]: wg = toolkit.aedtapp.modeler.create_waveguide([0, 0, 0], 1)
     model = toolkit.aedtapp.plot(show=False)
     model.show_grid = False
     model.plot(os.path.join(toolkit.aedtapp.working_directory, "Image.jpg"))
     PyAEDT INFO: Modeler class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om 6sec
     PyAEDT INFO: Materials class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: Parsing design objects. This operation can take time
     PyAEDT INFO: Refreshing bodies from Object Info
     PyAEDT INFO: Bodies Info Refreshed Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: 3D Modeler objects parsed. Elapsed time: 0m Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: Parsing C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2649.aedt.
     PyAEDT INFO: File C:/Users/ansys/Documents/Ansoft/Project2649.aedt correctly loaded.
      →Elapsed time: 0m 0sec
     PyAEDT INFO: aedt file load time 0.016788244247436523
     PyAEDT INFO: PostProcessor class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     PyAEDT INFO: Post class has been initialized! Elapsed time: Om Osec
     C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\site-
      →packages\pyvista\jupyter\notebook.py:37: UserWarning: Failed to use notebook backend:
     Please install `ipywidgets`.
     Falling back to a static output.
       warnings.warn(
```



Save and release AEDT

Save and release AEDT.

[12]: toolkit.release_aedt(True, True)

PyAEDT INFO: Desktop has been released and closed.

INFO - AEDT is released.

[12]: True

4.2 The EDBCommon class

These examples show how to use the EDBCommon class of the backend API:

4.2.1 EDB simple example

This example shows how to use the EDBCommon class to open an existing EDB project.

Perform required imports

Perform the required imports.

```
[1]: import os import shutil
```

```
[2]: from ansys.aedt.core import generate_unique_folder_name
```

```
[3]: from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.utils import download_file from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import EDBCommon
```

Initialize temporary folder and project settings

Initialize a temporary folder to copy the input file into and specify project settings.

```
URL_BASE = "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ansys/example-data/master/toolkits/common/"
EDB_PROJECT = "edb_edge_ports.aedb/edb.def"
URL = os.path.join(URL_BASE, EDB_PROJECT)

temp_folder = os.path.join(generate_unique_folder_name())

edb_path = os.path.join(temp_folder, "edb_example.aedb")
os.makedirs(edb_path, exist_ok=True)
local_project = os.path.join(edb_path, "edb.def")

download_file(URL, local_project)

[4]: 'C:\Users\\ansys\\AppData\\Local\\Temp\\pyaedt_prj_K19\\edb_example.aedb\\edb.def'
```

Initialize toolkit

Initialize the toolkit.

```
[5]: toolkit = EDBCommon()
```

Initialize EDB project

Open the EDB project.

```
PyAEDT INFO: Database edb_example.aedb Opened in 2025.1

PyAEDT INFO: Cell EMDesign1 Opened

PyAEDT INFO: Builder was initialized.

PyAEDT INFO: EDB initialized.

DEBUG - Project C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_prj_K19\edb_example.aedb is_

→opened
```

Get toolkit properties

Get toolkit properties, which contain the project information.

```
[7]: new_properties = toolkit.get_properties()
edb_project = new_properties["active_project"]
```

Save project

Copy the current project in a new file.

```
[8]: directory, old_file_name = os.path.split(edb_project)
    new_path = os.path.join(directory, "new_edb.aedb")
    toolkit.save_edb(new_path)

INFO - Project C:\Users\ansys\AppData\Local\Temp\pyaedt_prj_K19\new_edb.aedb saved

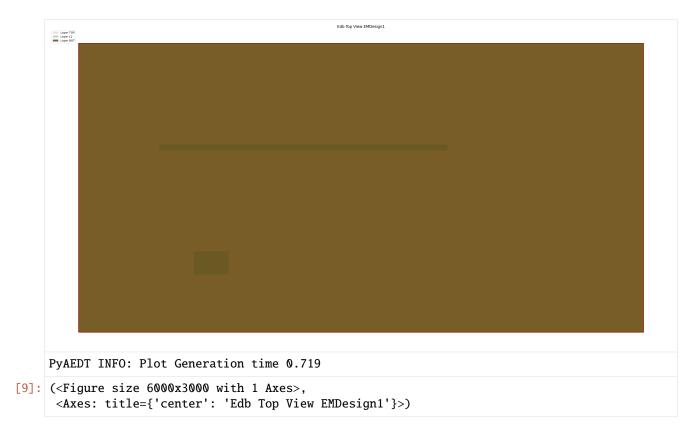
[8]: True
```

Get cell names

Get cell names using PyEDB.

```
[9]: toolkit.logger.info("Play with EDB")
   cell_names = toolkit.edb.cell_names
   toolkit.edb.nets.plot()

INFO - Play with EDB
```



Save and release EDB

Save and release EDB.

```
[10]: toolkit.close_edb()
    PyAEDT INFO: EDB file release time: 14.45ms
    INFO - EDB is closed.
[10]: True
```

Remove temporary folder

Remove the temporary folder.

[11]: shutil.rmtree(temp_folder, ignore_errors=True)

4.3 The Common class

These examples show how to use the Common class of the backend API:

4.3.1 Properties example

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This example shows how to use the Common class, which contains properties models. These properties provide for sharing information through all the workflow.

Add new properties

Before importing the common module, you can add new properties. First create a file that contains the new properties type, Models. Then add a TOML file that sets the needed default values. Finally, import the properties.

```
[1]: from models import properties
```

Perform required imports

Perform the required imports.

```
[2]: import sys from ansys.aedt.toolkits.common.backend.api import Common
```

Initialize toolkit

Initialize the toolkit with the new properties.

```
[3]: toolkit = Common(properties)
```

Get properties

Get the properties.

```
[4]: toolkit.get_properties()
[4]: {'aedt_version': '2025.1',
      'non_graphical': False,
      'active_project': '',
      'active_design': '',
      'project_list': [],
      'design_list': {},
      'selected_process': 0,
      'use_grpc': True,
      'is_toolkit_busy': False,
      'url': '127.0.0.1',
      'port': 5001,
      'debug': True,
      'toolkit_name': 'example',
      'log_file': 'example_backend.log',
      'example': {'invented_property': [10], 'test': 'hola'}}
```

Set property

Use set_properties to set the new property.

```
[5]: set_properties = {"invented_property": [1, 2, 3]}
  toolkit.set_properties(set_properties)
  toolkit.get_properties()

INFO - Updating internal properties.

DEBUG - Updating 'invented_property' with value [1, 2, 3]

DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
```

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```
[5]: {'aedt_version': '2025.1',
    'non_graphical': False,
    'active_project': '',
    'active_design': '',
    'project_list': [],
    'design_list': {},
    'selected_process': 0,
    'use_grpc': True,
    'is_toolkit_busy': False,
    'url': '127.0.0.1',
    'port': 5001,
    'debug': True,
    'toolkit_name': 'example',
    'log_file': 'example_backend.log',
    'example': {'invented_property': [1, 2, 3], 'test': 'hola'}}
```

Set property directly

Set the property directly.

```
[6]: properties.invented_property = [10, 20, 30]
    toolkit.get_properties()
                                               Traceback (most recent call last)
    ValidationError
    Cell In[6], line 1
    ---> 1 properties invented_property = [10, 20, 30]
           2 toolkit.get_properties()
    File C:\actions-runner\_work\pyaedt-toolkits-common\pyaedt-toolkits-common\.venv\lib\
     →site-packages\pydantic\main.py:922, in BaseModel.__setattr__(self, name, value)
                 self.__dict__[name] = value
        920
        921 elif self.model_config.get('validate_assignment', None):
                self.__pydantic_validator__.validate_assignment(self, name, value)
        923 elif self.model_config.get('extra') != 'allow' and name not in self.__pydantic_

→fields__:
        924
             # TODO - matching error
                raise ValueError(f'"{self.__class__.__name__}" object has no field "{name}"')
        925
    ValidationError: 1 validation error for Properties
    invented_property
      Object has no attribute 'invented_property' [type=no_such_attribute, input_value=[10,__
     \rightarrow20, 30], input_type=list]
        For further information visit https://errors.pydantic.dev/2.10/v/no_such_attribute
```

Set wrong property

Set the wrong property. It is not possible to change the property type.

```
[7]: set_properties = {"invented_property": 1}
toolkit.set_properties(set_properties)

INFO - Updating internal properties.
DEBUG - Updating 'invented_property' with value 1
```

```
DEBUG - Properties were updated successfully.
```

[7]: (True, 'Properties were updated successfully.')

4.4 REST API

For an example of using the REST API for the PyAEDT Common Toolkit, see the $rest_api_aedt_example.py$ file in the repository.

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CONTRIBUTE

Overall guidance on contributing to a PyAnsys repository appears in Contributing in the *PyAnsys Developers Guide*. Ensure that you are thoroughly familiar with this guide before attempting to contribute to PyAEDT or its toolkits.

The following contribution information is specific to this library.

5.1 Clone the repository

To clone and install the latest version of the PyAEDT Common Toolkit in development mode, run these commands:

```
git clone https://github.com/ansys/pyaedt-toolkits-common.git
cd pyaedt-toolkits-common
python -m pip install --upgrade pip
pip install -e .[all]
```

5.2 Post issues

Use the PyAEDT Common Toolkit Issues page to create issues to report bugs and request new features.

5.3 View documentation

Documentation for the latest stable release is hosted at PyAEDT Common Toolkit documentation.

In the upper right corner of the documentations title bar, there is an option for switching from viewing the documentation for the latest stable release to viewing the documentation for the development version or previously released versions.

5.4 Adhere to code style

The Common Toolkit is compliant with PyAnsys code style. It uses the tool pre-commit to select the code style.

You can install and activate this tool with these commands:

```
pip install pre-commit
pre-commit run --all-files
```

You can also install this as a pre-commit hook with this command:

```
pre-commit install
```

This way, its not possible for you to push code that fails the style checks:

5.4.1 Maximum line length

Best practice is to keep the line length at or below 120 characters for code and comments. Lines longer than this might not display properly on some terminals and tools or might be difficult to follow.

WHAT IS THIS LIBRARY?

This library is a common library for AEDT toolkits. It brings numerous advantages like enhancing efficiency, consistency, and collaboration in the creation and development of AEDT toolkits.

This library provides methods and best practices to develop AEDT toolkits. These are the main advantages of using this library:

6.1 Standardization

A common toolkit framework establishes standardized guidelines, conventions, and practices for toolkit development. This ensures that all developers follow a consistent structure, making it easier for them to understand and contribute to different toolkits.

6.2 Interoperability

With a common framework, different AEDT toolkits become more interoperable. Developers can create tools that seamlessly integrate with existing toolkits, promoting a modular and extensible ecosystem. This interoperability is crucial for users who may need functionalities from multiple toolkits in their workflows.

6.3 Reuse code

A common toolkit framework encourages the reuse of code components across different toolkits. Developers can leverage existing modules, functions, and libraries, saving time and effort in creating similar functionalities from scratch. This promotes a more efficient development process and reduces redundancy.

6.4 Maintain

Standardized frameworks make it easier to maintain and update AEDT toolkits. When changes or improvements are required, developers can follow a unified set of procedures, ensuring that updates are applied consistently across all toolkits. This helps in avoiding compatibility issues and streamlining the maintenance process.

6.5 Collaboration

A common toolkit framework fosters collaboration among developers by providing a shared set of tools and practices. It becomes easier for multiple developers to work on different aspects of the toolkit simultaneously, as they all adhere to the same framework. This collaborative environment can lead to faster development cycles and a more robust set of tools.

6.6 Documentation and training

A standardized framework comes with consistent documentation and training resources. This makes it easier for developers to understand the structure of the toolkit, its functionalities, and best practices.

6.7 Quality assurance

A common toolkit framework enables better quality assurance processes. Standardized testing methodologies and practices can be implemented, ensuring that each toolkit adheres to the same quality standards. This results in more reliable and stable toolkits for end-users.

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