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# **py-cidr**

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## 1.1 Overview

py-cidr : python module providing network / CIDR tools

## 1.2 Key features

- Built on python's native ipaddress module
- 3 Classes : Cidr, CidrMap, CidrFile
- Cidr provides for many common operations for example:
  - Support for IPv4 and IPv6
  - compact lists of CIDRs to smallest set of CIDR blocks
  - convert an IP range to a list of CIDRs
  - Identify and validate
  - many more
- CidrFile offers common operations on files with lists of cidrs.
  - Includes atomic file writes
- CidrMap provides a class that maps CIDRs to values.
  - File cache employs locking to ensure multiple processes handle cache correctly.

See API reference documentation for more details.

## 1.3 New / Interesting

- Rename *py-cidr-cache-print* (without the .py extension)
- PEP-8, PEP-257 and PEP-484 style changes
- PEP 561 type hints (improves module use for type checkers e.g. *mypy*)
- CidrMap now uses separate CidrCache for “private cache data” instead of just the “data” part. CidrCache class no longer needs it's own “private data” functionality.
- Add some tests (via pytest)
- Reorganize CidrMap and simplify/improve way we do private\_cache supporting multiprocessing/multithreading use-case. This is now all done in CidrMap.

- Change cache file storage to pickle format as its more flexible than json Provide simple app to show contents of cache:

```
py-cidr-cache-print <cache_directory>
```

## 1.4 Documentation:

We include pre-built versions of both html and PDF documentation, including the API reference.

The PDF file is *Docs/py-cidr.pdf* and after the package is installed it will be available:

[PDF Documentation.](#)

and a browser can be used to view:

[HTML Documentation.](#)

## GETTING STARTED

All git tags are signed with [arch@sapience.com](mailto:arch@sapience.com) key which is available via WKD or download from <https://www.sapience.com/tech>. Add the key to your package builder gpg keyring. The key is included in the Arch package and the `source=` line with `?signed` at the end can be used to verify the git tag. You can also manually verify the signature

### 2.1 py-cidr module

#### 2.1.1 module functions

The library provides the following tools:

##### **CidrMap Class**

CidrMap provides a reasonably optimized tool to cache (cidr, value) pairs. i.e. it maps a CIDR address to some value (string). These are cached to file if a cache directory is provided when instantiating the class.

This will create an IPv4 and an IPv6 cache file in the given directory. The code is careful about reading and writing the cache files and uses locking as well as atomic writes. For example if application starts, reads cache, updates with new items and some time later saves the cache - the module will detect if the cache changed (by another process using same cache directory) since it was read in, and merge its own changes with the changes in the cache file before writing out the updated cache. So nothing should be lost.

This was built originally for our firewall tool, where part of the data gathering component creates maps of CIDR blocks to geolocated country codes for all CIDRs as listed by each of registries. This process can take several minutes. Run time was cut roughly in half using CidrMap() to provide a mapping of CIDR to location.

Since parallelizing can provide significant speedups, the CidrMap::add\_cidr() method has a mechanism to allow that by avoiding multiple threads/processes updating the in memory data at the same time. It offers the ability for each thread/subprocess to add cidr blocks to thread local data. After all the threads/processes complete, then the private data maps of each of the processes can be merged together using CidrMap::merge() method.

Additional details are available in the API reference documentation.

Methods provided:

- CidrMap.lookup
- CidrMap.add\_cidr
- CidrMap.merge

Static functions:

- create\_private\_cache

##### **Cidr Class**

See the API reference in the documentation for details. This class provides a suite of tools we found ourselves using often, so we encapsulated them in this class. All methods in the class are *@staticmethod* and thus no instance of the class is needed. Just use them as functions (*Cidr.xxx()*)

- *Cidr.is\_valid\_ip4*
- *Cidr.is\_valid\_ip6*
- *Cidr.is\_valid\_cidr*
- *Cidr.cidr\_ip\_type*
- *Cidr.cidr\_type\_network*
- *Cidr.cidr\_to\_net*
- *Cidr.cidrs\_to\_nets*
- *Cidr.nets\_to\_cidrs*
- *Cidr.compact\_cidrs*
- *Cidr.ip\_to\_address*
- *Cidr.ips\_to\_addresses*
- *Cidr.addresses\_to\_ips*
- *Cidr.cidr\_set\_prefix*
- *Cidr.ipaddr\_cidr\_from\_string*
- *Cidr.cidr\_is\_subnet*
- *Cidr.address\_ip\_type*
- *Cidr.compact\_nets*
- *Cidr.net\_exclude*
- *Cidr.nets\_exclude*
- *Cidr.cidrs\_exclude*
- *Cidr.cidrs2\_minus\_cidrs1*
- *Cidr.cidr\_exclude*
- *Cidr.sort\_cidrs*
- *Cidr.sort\_ips*
- *Cidr.get\_host\_bits*
- *Cidr.clean\_cidr*
- *Cidr.clean\_cidrs*
- *Cidr.range\_to\_cidrs*
- *Cidr.cidr\_to\_range*
- *Cidr.fix\_cidr\_host\_bits*
- *Cidr.fix\_cidrs\_host\_bits*

### **CidrFile Class**

This class provides a few reader/writer tools for files with lists of CIDR strings. Readers ignores comments. All methods are *@staticmethod* and thus no instance of the class is required. Simply use them as functions (*Cidr.xxx()*)



- `Cidr.read_cidr_file(file:str, verb:bool=False) -> [str]:`
- `Cidr.read_cidr_files(targ_dir:str, file_list:[str]) -> [str]`
- `Cidr.write_cidr_file(cidrs:[str], pathname:str) -> bool`
- `Cidr.read_cidrs(fname:str|None, verb:bool=False) -> (ipv4:[str], ipv6:[str]):`
- `Cidr.copy_cidr_file(src_file:str, dst_file:str) -> None`



## 3.1 Installation

Available on \* [Github](#) \* [Archlinux AUR](#)

On Arch you can build using the provided PKGBUILD in the packaging directory or from the AUR. To build manually, clone the repo and :

```
rm -f dist/*  
/usr/bin/python -m build --wheel --no-isolation  
root_dest="/"   
./scripts/do-install $root_dest
```

When running as non-root then set root\_dest a user writable directory

## 3.2 Dependencies

### Run Time :

- python (3.13 or later)
- lockmgr

### Building Package :

- git
- hatch (aka python-hatch)
- wheel (aka python-wheel)
- build (aka python-build)
- installer (aka python-installer)
- rsync

### Optional for building docs :

- sphinx
- python-myst-parser
- python-sphinx-autoapi
- texlive-latexextra (archlinux packaguing of texlive tools)

Building docs is not really needed since pre-built docs are provided in the git repo.

## 3.3 Philosophy

We follow the *live at head commit* philosophy. This means we recommend using the latest commit on git master branch. We also provide git tags.

This approach is also taken by Google<sup>12</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://github.com/google/googletest>

<sup>2</sup> <https://abseil.io/about/philosophy#upgrade-support>

## CHANGELOG

### 4.1 Tags

2.6.0 (2025-01-18) -> 3.4.0 (2025-05-20)  
26 commits.

### 4.2 Commits

- 2025-05-20 : 3.4.0

Remove unused files  
update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-20 : 3.3.0

Fix **for** lockfile path when run **in** chroot.  
As reported by AUR user @piater  
2025-05-19 update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-19 : 3.2.2

Add pytest to checkdepnds **in** arch PKBUILD  
Thanks to @Reylak pm AUR.  
2025-05-04 update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-04 : 3.2.1

More documentation tweaks

- 2025-05-04 : 3.2.0

Improve API reference documentation.  
install: rename cache **print** to /usr/bin/py-cidr-cache-**print**  
update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-04 : 3.1.1

Buglet: CidrMap::add\_cidr() make private\_cache optional argument again  
2025-05-03 update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-03 : 3.0.1

Add tests to repo  
update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-05-03 : **3.0.0**

PEP-8, PEP-257 and PEP-484 style changes  
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CidrMap now uses separate CidrCache for "private cache data" instead of just the "data" part.  
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Add some tests (via pytest)  
Reorganize CidrMap and simplify/improve way we do private\_cache supporting multiprocessing/multithreading usecase. This is now all done in CidrMap.  
Change cache file storage to pickle format as its more flexible than json  
Provide simple app to show contents of cache:  
py-cidr-cache-print <cache\_directory>

- 2025-04-02 : **2.8.0**

update Docs/Changelogs Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf  
Add RFC 1918 tools:  
Cidr.is\_rfc\_1918()  
Cidr.rfc\_1918\_nets()  
Cidr.rfc\_1918\_cidrs()  
Cidr.remove\_rfc\_1918()  
Reorganize code and separate into more files for better maintainability  
2025-03-10 update Docs/Changelog.rst Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-03-10 : **2.7.0**

Bugfix: sorting mixed list of IPv4 and IPv6  
2025-01-18 update Docs/Changelog.rst Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-01-18 : **2.6.3**

Readme - removed unused (template) sections  
update Docs/Changelog.rst Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-01-18 : **2.6.2**

fix readme rst syntax  
update Docs/Changelog.rst Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-01-18 : **2.6.1**

Small change to readme  
update Docs/Changelog.rst Docs/\_build/html Docs/py-cidr.pdf

- 2025-01-18 : **2.6.0**

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### 6.1 Important resources

- [Git Repo](#)

### 6.2 Reporting Bugs or feature requests

Please report bugs on the issue tracker in the git repo. To make the report as useful as possible, please include

- operating system used
- version of python
- explanation of the problem or enhancement request.

### 6.3 Code Changes

If you make code changes, please update the documentation if it's appropriate.



## CONTRIBUTOR COVENANT CODE OF CONDUCT

### 7.1 Our Pledge

In the interest of fostering an open and welcoming environment, we as contributors and maintainers pledge to making participation in our project and our community a harassment-free experience for everyone, regardless of age, body size, disability, ethnicity, sex characteristics, gender identity and expression, level of experience, education, socio-economic status, nationality, personal appearance, race, religion, or sexual identity and orientation.

### 7.2 Our Standards

Examples of behavior that contributes to creating a positive environment include:

- Using welcoming and inclusive language
- Being respectful of differing viewpoints and experiences
- Gracefully accepting constructive criticism
- Focusing on what is best for the community
- Showing empathy towards other community members

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- The use of sexualized language or imagery and unwelcome sexual attention or advances
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## 7.6 Attribution

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## 7.7 Interpretation

The interpretation of this document is at the discretion of the project team.

## API REFERENCE

This page contains auto-generated API reference documentation<sup>1</sup>.

### 8.1 py\_cidr

Public Methods. `py_cidr`.

#### 8.1.1 Submodules

##### `py_cidr.cidr_class`

Class providing some common CIDR utilities

##### Module Contents

##### **class** `Cidr`

Provides suite of CIDR tools.

All methods are (static) and are thus called without need to instantiate the class. For example:

```
net = Cidr.cidr_to_net(cidr_string)
```

##### **Notation:**

- `cidr` means a string
- `net` means ipaddress network (IPv4Network or IPv6Network)
- `ip` means an IP address string
- `addr` means an ip address (IPv4Address or IPv6Address)
- `address` means either a IP address or a cidr network as a string

**static** `address_iptype(addr: py_cidr.cidr_types.IPvxAddress | py_cidr.cidr_types.IPvxNetwork) → str | None`

Identify address or net (IPvxNetwork) as ipv4, ipv6 or neither.

##### **Args:**

`addr` (str): ipaddress IP or network .

##### **Returns:**

str | None: 'ip4', 'ip6' or None

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<sup>1</sup> Created with `sphinx-autoapi`

**static addresses\_to\_ips**(*addresses: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPv4Address]*) → List[str]

From list of IPs in ipaddress format, get list of ip strings.

**Args:**

*addresses* (List[IPv4Address]): List of IP addresses in ipaddress format

**Returns:**

List[str]: List of IP strings

**static cidr\_exclude**(*cidr1: str, cidrs2: List[str]*) → List[str]

Exclude cidr1 from any of networks in cidrs2.

**Args:**

*cidr1* (str): cidr to be excluded.

*cidrs2* (List[str]): List of cidrs from which cidr1 will be excluded.

**Returns:**

List[str]: Resulting list of cidrs (“cidrs2” - “cidr1”)

**static cidr\_iptype**(*address: Any*) → str | None

Determines if address string is valid ipv4 or ipv6 or not.

**Args:**

*address* (Any): address or cidr string

**Returns:**

str | None: ‘ip4’ or ‘ip6’ or None if not a valid address

**static cidr\_is\_subnet**(*cidr: str, ipa\_nets: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPv4Network]*) → bool

Check if cidr is a subnet of any of the list of IPv4Networks .

**Args:**

*cidr* (str): Cidr string to check.

*ipa\_nets* (List[IPv4Network]): List of IPv4Networks to check.

**Returns:**

bool: True if cidr is subnet of any of the ipa\_nets, else False.

**static cidr\_list\_compact**(*cidrs: List[str], string: bool = True*) → List[str] |

List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPv4Network]

Compact list of cidr networks to smallest list possible. Deprecated - use compact\_cidrs(cidrs, return\_nets)) instead, it is the same with the boolean flag reversed.

**Args:**

*cidrs* (List[str]): List of cidr strings to compact.

**string (bool):**

- If True (default), then return is a list of strings.
- If False, a list of IPv4Networks.

**Returns:**

List[str] | List[IPv4Network]: Compressed list of cidrs as ipaddress networks (string=False) or list of strings when string=True

**static cidr\_set\_prefix**(*cidr: str, prefix: int*) → str

Set new prefix for cidr and return new cidr string.

**Args:**

cidr (str): Cidr string to use

prefix (int): The new prefix to use

**Returns:**

str: Cidr string using the specified prefix

**static cidr\_to\_net**(*cidr: str, strict: bool = False*) → py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork | None

Convert cidr string to ipaddress network.

**Args:**

cidr (str): Input cidr string

strict (bool): If true then cidr is considered invalid if host bits are set. Defaults to False. (see ipaddress docs).

**Returns:**

IPvxNetwork | None: The ipaddress network derived from cidr string as IPvxNetwork = IPv4Network or IPv6Network or None if invalid.

**static cidr\_to\_range**(*cidr: str, string: bool = False*) → Tuple[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress | str | None, py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress | str | None]

Cidr string to an IP Range.

**Args:**

cidr (str): The cidr string to examine.

string (bool): If True then returns cidr strings instead of IPvxAddress

**Returns:**

Tuple[IPAddress, IPAddress]: Tuple (ip0, ip1) of first and last IP address in net (ip0, ip1) are IPvxAddress or str when string is True

**static cidr\_type\_network**(*cidr: str*) → Tuple[str, Type[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]]

Cidr Network Type.

**Args:**

cidr (str): Cidr string to examine

**Returns:**

Tuple[str, IPvxNetwork]: Tuple(ip-type, net-type). ip-type is a string ('ip4', 'ip6') while network type is IPv4Network or IPv6Network

**static cidrs2\_minus\_cidrs1**(*cidrs1: List[str], cidrs2: List[str]*) → List[str]

Exclude all of cidrs1 from cidrs2.

i.e. return "cidrs2" - "cidrs1".

**Args:**

cidrs1 (List[str]): List of cidr strings to be excluded.

cidrs2 (List[str]): List of cidr strings from which cidrs1 are excluded.

**Returns:**

List[str]: Resulting list of cidr strings = "cidrs2" - "cidrs1".

**static cidrs\_exclude**(*cidrs1: List[str], cidrs2: List[str]*) → List[str]

Deprecated: replaced by cidrs2\_minus\_cidrs1()

**static cidrs\_to\_nets**(*cidrs: List[str], strict: bool = False*) → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]

Convert list of cidr strings to list of IPvxNetwork.

**Args:**

cidrs (List[str]): List of cidr strings

strict (bool): If true, cidr with host bits set is invalid. Defaults to false.

**Returns:**

List[IPvxNetwork]: List of IPvxNetworks generated from cidrs.

**static clean\_cidr**(*cidr: str*) → str | None

Clean up a cidr address.

**Does:**

- fix up host bits to match the prefix
- convert old class A,B,C style IPv4 addresses to cidr.

**e.g.**

a.b.c -> a.b.c.0/24 a.b.c.23/24 -> a.b.c.0/24

**Args:**

cidr (str): Cidr string to clean up.

**Returns:**

**str | None:**

- cidr string if valid
- None if cidr is invalid.

**static clean\_cidrs**(*cidrs: List[str]*) → List[str]

Clean list of cidrs.

Similar to clean\_cidr() but for a list.

**Args:**

cidrs (List[str]): List of cidr strings to clean up.

**Returns:**

List[str]: List of cleaned cidrs. If input cidr is invalid then its returned as None

**static compact\_cidrs**(*cidrs: List[str], nets: bool = False*) → List[str] |

List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]

Compact a list of cidr networks as strings.

**Args:**

cidrs (List[str]): List of cidrs to compact.

nets (bool): If False, the default, the result will be list of strings else a list of IPvxNetwork's.

**Returns:**

List[str | IPvxNetwork]: A list of compacted networks whose elements are strings if return\_nets is False or IPvxNetworks if True.

**static compact\_nets**(*nets: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]*) →

List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]

Compact list of IPvxNetwork.

**Args:**

nets (List[IPvxNetwork]): Input list if networks to compact.



**Returns:**

List[IPvxNetwork]: Compacted list of IPvxNetworks.

**static fix\_cidr\_host\_bits**(cidr: str, verb: bool = False) → str

zero out any host bits.

A strictly valid cidr address must have host bits set to zero.

**Args:**

cidr (str): The cidr to “fix” if needed.

verb (bool): Some info on stdout when set True. Defaults to False.

**Returns:**

str: The cidr with any non-zero host bits now zeroed out.

**static fix\_cidrs\_host\_bits**(cidrs: List[str], verb: bool = False) → List[str]

zero any host bits for a list of cidrs.

Similar to fix\_cidr\_host\_bits() but for a list of cidrs.

**Args:**

cidrs (List[str]): List of cidrs to fix up.

verb (bool): Some info on stdout when set True. Defaults to False.

**Returns:**

List[str]: The list of cidrs each with any non-zero host bits now zeroed out.

**static get\_host\_bits**(ip: str, pfx: int = 24) → int

Gets the host bits from an IP address given the netmask.

**Args:**

ip (str): The IP to examine.

pfx (int): The cidr prefix.

**Returns:**

int: The host bits from the IP.

**static ip\_to\_address**(ip: str) → py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress | None

Return ipaddress of given ip.

If IP has prefix or host bits set, strip the prefix and keep host bits.

**Args:**

ip (str): The IP string to convert

Returns (IPvxAddress | None): IPvxAddress derived from IP or None if not an IP address.

**static ipaddr\_cidr\_from\_string**(address: str, strict: bool = False) → py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork | None

Convert string of IP address or cidr net to IPvxNetwork

**Args:**

address: IP or CIDR network as a string.

strict (bool): If true, host bits are disallowed for cidr block.

**Returns:**

IPvxNetwork | None: An IPvxNetwork or None if invalid.

**static ips\_to\_addresses**(*ips: List[str]*) → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress]

Convert list of IP strings to a list of ip addresses

**Args:**

ips (List[str]): List of IP strings to convert

**Returns:**

List[IPvxAddress]: List of IPvxAddress derived from input IPs.

**static is\_rfc\_1918**(*cidr: str*) → bool

Check if cidr is any RFC 1918.

**Args:**

cidr (str): IP or Cidr to check if RFC 1918.

**Returns:**

bool: True if cidr is an RFC 1918 address. False if not.

**static is\_valid\_cidr**(*address: Any*) → bool

Check if address is a valid ip or cidr network.

**Args:**

address (Any): Address to check. Host bits set is permitted for a cidr network.

**Returns:**

bool: True/False if address is valid IPv4 or IPv6 address or network.

**static is\_valid\_ip4**(*address: Any*) → bool

check if valid IPv4 address or cidr.

**Args:**

address (Any): Check if this is a valid IPv4 address or cidr.

**Returns:**

bool: True if valid IPv4 else False

**static is\_valid\_ip6**(*address: Any*) → bool

check if valid IPv6 address or cidr.

**Args:**

address (Any): Check if this is a valid IPv6 address or cidr.

**Returns:**

bool: True if valid IPv6 else False

**static net\_exclude**(*net1: py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork, nets2: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]*) → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]

Exclude net1 from any of networks in net2 and return resulting list of nets (without net1).

**Args:**

net1 (IPvxNetwork): Network to be ecluded.

nets2 (List[IPvxNetwork]): List of networks from which net1 will be excluded from.

**Returns:**

List[IPvxNetwork]: Resultant list of networks “nets2 - net1”.

**static net\_to\_range**(*net: py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork, string: bool = False*) →

Tuple[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress | str | None, py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxAddress | str | None]

Convert network to IP Range.

**Args:**

net (IPvxNetwork): The network (IPvxNetwork) to examine.

string (bool): If True then returns cidr strings instead of IPvxAddress

**Returns:**

Tuple[IPAddress, IPAddress]: Tuple (ip0, ip1) of first and last IP address in net Each (ip0, ip1) is IPvxAddress or a string if “string” == True

**static nets\_exclude**(nets1: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork], nets2: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]) → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]

Exclude every nets1 network from from any networks in nets2.

Similar to net\_exclude() except this version has a list to be excluded instead of a single network.

**Args:**

nets1 (List[IPvxNetwork]): List of nets to be excluded.

nets2: (List[IPvxNetwork]): List of nets from which will exclude any of nets1.

**Returns:**

List[IPvxNetwork]: List of resultant networks (“nets2” - “nets1”)

**static nets\_to\_cidrs**(nets: List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork]) → List[str]

Convert list of ipaddress networks to list of cidr strings.

**Args:**

nets (List[IPvxNetwork]): List of nets to convert.

**Returns:**

List[str]: List of cidr strings.

**static range\_to\_cidrs**(addr\_start: py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPAddress, addr\_end: py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPAddress, string: bool = False) → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IPvxNetwork] | List[str]

Generate a list of cidr/nets from an IP range.

**Args:**

addr\_start (IPAddress): Start of IP range

addr\_end (IPAddress): End of IP range

string (bool): If True then returns list of cidr strings otherwise IPvxNetwork

**Returns:**

List[IPvxNetwork] | List[str] List of cidr network blocks representing the IP range. List elements are IPvxAddress or str if parameter string=True

**static remove\_rfc\_1918**(cidrs\_in: str | List[str]) → Tuple[str | List[str], str | List[str]]

Given list of cidrs, return list without any rfc 1918

**Args:**

cidrs\_in (str | List[str]): Cidr string or list of cidr strings.

**Returns:**

Tuple[str | List[str], str | List[str]]: Returns (Tuple[cidrs\_cleaned, rfc\_1918\_cidrs\_found]):

- cidrs\_cleaned: List of cidrs with all rfc\_1918 removed.
- rfc\_1918\_cidrs\_found: List of any rfc 1918 found in the input.

If input cidr(s) is a list, then items in output are a (possibly empty) list If not a list then returned items will be string or None.

**static rfc\_1918\_cidrs()** → List[str]  
Return list of rfc 1918 networks cidr strings

**Returns (List[str]):**  
List of RFC 1918 networks as cidr strings

**static rfc\_1918\_nets()** → List[py\_cidr.cidr\_types.IpvxNetwork]  
Return list of rfc 1918 networks

**Returns:**  
List[IPv4Network]: List of RFC 1918 networks.

**static sort\_cidrs(cidrs: List[str])** → List[str]  
Sort the list of cidr strings.

**Args:**  
cidrs (List[str]): List of cidrs.

**Returns:**  
List[str]: Sorted copy of cidr list

**static sort\_ips(ips: List[str])** → List[str]  
Sort a list of IP addresses.

**Args:**  
ips (List[str]): List of ips to be sorted.

**Returns:**  
List[str]: Sorted copy of ips.

**static version()** → str

**Returns**  
Version of py-cidr

### py\_cidr.cidr\_file\_class

CidrFile class: Read/write a file with list of cidr blocks as strings For reading

- comments ignored
- pname = is path to the file.
- cidr are all in column 1

## Module Contents

### class CidrFile

Provides common CIDR string file reader/writer tools.

All methods are static so no class instance variable needed.

**static copy\_cidr\_file(src\_file: str, dst\_file: str)** → bool  
Copy one file to another.

**Args:**  
src\_file (str): Source file to copy.  
dst\_file (str): Where to save copy

**Returns:**  
bool: True if all okay else False

**static read\_cidr\_file**(*fname: str, verb: bool = False*) → List[str]

Read file of cidrs and return list of all IPv4 and IPv6.

See read\_cidrs() which this uses.

**Args:**

fname (str): Path to file of cidrs to read.

verb (bool): More verbose output

**Returns:**

List[str]: List of all cidrs (ip4 and ip6 combined)

**static read\_cidr\_files**(*targ\_dir: str, file\_list: List[str]*) → List[str]

Read files in a directory and return merged list of cidr strings.

**Args:**

targ\_dir (str): Directory to find each file.

file\_list (List[str]): List of files in *targ\_dir* to read.

**Returns:**

List[str]: List of all cidrs found in the files.

**static read\_cidrs**(*fname: str | None, verb: bool = False*) → Tuple[List[str], List[str]]

Read file of cidrs and return tuple of separate lists (ip4, ip6).

- if fname is None or sys.stdin then data is read from stdin.
- only column 1 of file is used.
- comments are ignored

**Args:**

fname (str | None): File name to read.

verb (bool): More verbose output when True.

**Returns:**

Tuple[List[str], List[str]]: Tuple of lists of cidrs (ip4, ip6)

**static write\_cidr\_file**(*cidrs: List[str], pname: str*) → bool

Write list of cidrs to a file.

**Args:**

cidrs (List[str]): List of cidr strings to write.

pname (str): Path to file where cidrs are to be written.

**Returns:**

bool: True if successful otherwise False.

## py\_cidr.cidr\_map

Map cidr/ips to a (str) value. Requires CidrCache

Keep separate caches for ipv4 and ipv6 cidr matches cache.cidr cidr when cidr is subnet of cache.cidr.

Requires CidrCache for the actual cache management

## Module Contents

**class CidrMap**(*cache\_dir: str | None = None*)

Class provides map(cidr) -> some value.

- ipv4 and ipv6 are cached separately
- built on CidrCache and Cidr classes

**Args:**

cache\_dir (str): Optional directory to save cache file

**add\_cidr**(*cidr: str, result: str, priv\_cache: \_NetCache | None = None*)

Add cidr to cache.

**Args:**

cidr (str): Add this cidr string and its associated result value to the map.

result (str): The result value to be associated with this cidr. i.e. map(cidr) = result

priv\_data (private):

If using multiple processes/threads then provide this object where changes are kept instead of in the instance cache. This way the same instance (and its cache) can be used across multiple processes/threads.

Use CidrMap.create\_private\_cache() to create private\_data

**static create\_private\_cache()** → *\_NetCache*

Create and Return private cache object to use with add\_cidr().

This cache has no cache\_dir set - memory only. Required if one CidrMap instance is used in multiple processes/threads Give each process/thread a private data cache and they can be merged into the CidrMap instance after they have all completed.

**Returns:**

(private): private\_cache\_data object.

**lookup**(*cidr: str*) → *Any | None*

Check if cidr is in map.

**Args:**

cidr (str): Cidr value to lookup.

**Returns:**

*Any | None*: Result = map(cidr) if found else None.

**merge**(*priv\_cache: \_NetCache | None*)

Merge private cache into our internal cache.

**Args:**

priv\_data (*\_PrivCache*): The “private data” to add (cidr, result) to the map, then this merges content of priv\_data into the current data. priv\_data must be created by CidrMap.create\_private\_cache()

**print()**

Print the cache data.

**save\_cache()**

Write cache to files

## py\_cidr.cidr\_types

Convenience types:

Provides types IPvxNetwork, IPvxAddress and IPAddress which are based on ipaddress types:

IPv4Network, IPv6Network, IPv4Address and IPv6Address.

## Module Contents

```
type IPAddress = IPvxAddress | str
```

```
type IPvxAddress = IPv4Address | IPv6Address
```

```
type IPvxNetwork = IPv4Network | IPv6Network
```





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