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import requests

def make_request(endpoint, payload=None):
    """
    Make a request to a specific endpoint on the weather API
    passing headers and optional payload.

    Parameters:
        - endpoint: The endpoint of the API you want to
                    make a GET request to.
        - payload: A dictionary of data to pass along
                  with the request.

    Returns:
    """
    return requests.get(
        f'https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/cdo-web/api/v2/{endpoint}',
        headers={'token': 'pXBwHyopzPsefdNlOjlFekaxPowjdseD'}, params=payload
    )

response = make_request('datasets', {'startdate': '2024-03-13'})
response.status_code

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response.json().keys()

dict_keys(['metadata', 'results'])

response.json()['metadata']

{'resultset': {'offset': 1, 'count': 9, 'limit': 25}}

response.json()['results'][0].keys()

dict_keys(['uid', 'mindate', 'maxdate', 'name', 'datacoverage', 'id'])

[(data['id'], data['name']) for data in response.json()['results']]

[('GHCND', 'Daily Summaries'),
 ('GSOM', 'Global Summary of the Month'),
 ('GSOY', 'Global Summary of the Year'),
 ('NEXRAD2', 'Weather Radar (Level II)'),
 ('NEXRAD3', 'Weather Radar (Level III)'),
 ('NORMAL_ANN', 'Normals Annual/Seasonal'),
 ('NORMAL_DLY', 'Normals Daily'),
 ('NORMAL_HLY', 'Normals Hourly'),
 ('NORMAL_MLY', 'Normals Monthly'),
 ('PRECIP_15', 'Precipitation 15 Minute'),
 ('PRECIP_HLY', 'Precipitation Hourly')]

# get data category id
response = make_request(
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'datacategories',
payload={
'datasetid' : 'GHCND'
}
)
response.status_code
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response.json()['results']
[{'name': 'Evaporation', 'id': 'EVAP'},
{'name': 'Land', 'id': 'LAND'},
{'name': 'Precipitation', 'id': 'PRCP'},
{'name': 'Sky cover & clouds', 'id': 'SKY'},
{'name': 'Sunshine', 'id': 'SUN'},
{'name': 'Air Temperature', 'id': 'TEMP'},
{'name': 'Water', 'id': 'WATER'},
{'name': 'Wind', 'id': 'WIND'},
{'name': 'Weather Type', 'id': 'WXTYPE'}]
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# get data type id
response = make_request(
'datatypes',
payload={
'datacategoryid' : 'TEMP',
'limit' : 100
}
)
response.status_code
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[(datatype['id'], datatype['name']) for datatype in response.json()['results']][-5:] #
[('MNTM', 'Monthly mean temperature'),
('TAVG', 'Average Temperature.'),
('TMAX', 'Maximum temperature'),
('TMIN', 'Minimum temperature'),
('TOBS', 'Temperature at the time of observation')]
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# get location category id
response = make_request(
'locationcategories',
{
'datasetid' : 'GHCND'
}
)
response.status_code
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import pprint
pprint.pprint(response.json())
{'metadata': {'resultset': {'count': 12, 'limit': 25, 'offset': 1}},
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`results': [{`id': 'CITY', `name': 'City'},
             {`id': 'CLIM_DIV', `name': 'Climate Division'},
             {`id': 'CLIM_REG', `name': 'Climate Region'},
             {`id': 'CNTRY', `name': 'Country'},
             {`id': 'CNTY', `name': 'County'},
             {`id': 'HYD_ACC', `name': 'Hydrologic Accounting Unit'},
             {`id': 'HYD_CAT', `name': 'Hydrologic Cataloging Unit'},
             {`id': 'HYD_REG', `name': 'Hydrologic Region'},
             {`id': 'HYD_SUB', `name': 'Hydrologic Subregion'},
             {`id': 'ST', `name': 'State'},
             {`id': 'US_TERR', `name': 'US Territory'},
             {`id': 'ZIP', `name': 'Zip Code'}]}

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def get_item(name, what, endpoint, start=1, end=None):
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    Grab the JSON payload for a given field by name using binary search.
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Parameters:
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- name: The item to look for.
- what: Dictionary specifying what the item in `name` is.
- endpoint: Where to look for the item.
- start: The position to start at. We don't need to touch this, but the function will manipulate this with recursion.
- end: The last position of the cities. Used to find the midpoint, but like `start` this is not something we need to worry about.

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Returns:
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    Dictionary of the information for the item if found otherwise
    an empty dictionary.
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# find the midpoint which we use to cut the data in half each time
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mid = (start + (end if end else 1)) // 2
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# lowercase the name so this is not case-sensitive
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name = name.lower()
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# define the payload we will send with each request
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payload = {
    'datasetid' : 'GHCND',
    'sortfield' : 'name',
    'offset' : mid, # we will change the offset each time
    'limit' : 1 # we only want one value back
}
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# make our request adding any additional filter parameters from `what`
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response = make_request(endpoint, **payload, **what)
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if response.ok:
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    # if response is ok, grab the end index from the response metadata the first time
    end = end if end else response.json()['metadata']['resultset']['count']
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    # grab the lowercase version of the current name
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    current_name = response.json()['results'][0]['name'].lower()
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# if what we are searching for is in the current name, we have found our item
if name in current_name:
    return response.json()['results'][0] # return the found item

else:
    if start >= end:
        # if our start index is greater than or equal to our end, we couldn't find
        return {}
    elif name < current_name:
        # our name comes before the current name in the alphabet, so we search for
        return get_item(name, what, endpoint, start, mid - 1)
    elif name > current_name:
        # our name comes after the current name in the alphabet, so we search for
        return get_item(name, what, endpoint, mid + 1, end)
else:
    # response wasn't ok, use code to determine why
    print(f'Response not OK, status: {response.status_code}')

def get_location(name):
    """
    Grab the JSON payload for the location by name using binary search.

    Parameters:
        - name: The city to look for.

    Returns:
        Dictionary of the information for the city if found otherwise
        an empty dictionary.
    """
    return get_item(name, {'locationcategoryid' : 'CITY'}, 'locations')

# get NYC id
nyc = get_location('New York')
nyc

{'mindate': '1869-01-01',
 'maxdate': '2024-03-11',
 'name': 'New York, NY US',
 'datacoverage': 1,
 'id': 'CITY:US360019'}

central_park = get_item('NY City Central Park', {'locationid' : nyc['id']}, 'stations')
central_park

{'elevation': 42.7,
 'mindate': '1869-01-01',
 'maxdate': '2024-03-10',
 'latitude': 40.77898,
 'name': 'NY CITY CENTRAL PARK, NY US',
 'datacoverage': 1,
 'id': 'GHCND:USW00094728',
 'elevationUnit': 'METERS',
 'longitude': -73.96925}

# get NYC daily summaries data
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response = make_request(
    'data',
    {
        'datasetid' : 'GHCND',
        'stationid' : central_park['id'],
        'locationid' : nyc['id'],
        'startdate' : '2018-10-01',
        'enddate' : '2018-10-31',
        'datatypeid' : ['TMIN', 'TMAX', 'TOBS'], # temperature at time of observation,
        'units' : 'metric',
        'limit' : 1000
    }
)
response.status_code

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import pandas as pd
df = pd.DataFrame(response.json()['results'])
df.head()
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	date	datatype	station	attributes	value
0	2018-10-01T00:00:00	TMAX	GHCND:USW00094728	„W,2400	24.4
1	2018-10-01T00:00:00	TMIN	GHCND:USW00094728	„W,2400	17.2
2	2018-10-02T00:00:00	TMAX	GHCND:USW00094728	„W,2400	25.0
3	2018-10-02T00:00:00	TMIN	GHCND:USW00094728	„W,2400	18.3
4	2018-10-03T00:00:00	TMAX	GHCND:USW00094728	„W,2400	23.3

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df.datatype.unique()
array(['TMAX', 'TMIN'], dtype=object)
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if get_item(
    'NY City Central Park', {'locationid' : nyc['id'], 'datatypeid': 'TOBS'}, 'station
):
    print('Found!')
    Found!
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laguardia = get_item(
    'LaGuardia', {'locationid' : nyc['id']}, 'stations'
)
laguardia
{'elevation': 3,
 'mindate': '1939-10-07',
 'maxdate': '2024-03-11',
 'latitude': 40.77945,
 'name': 'LAGUARDIA AIRPORT, NY US',
 'datacoverage': 1,
 'id': 'GHCND:USW00014732',
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'elevationUnit': 'METERS',
'longitude': -73.88027}

# get NYC daily summaries data
response = make_request(
    'data',
    {
        'datasetid' : 'GHCND',
        'stationid' : laguardia['id'],
        'locationid' : nyc['id'],
        'startdate' : '2018-10-01',
        'enddate' : '2018-10-31',
        'datatypeid' : ['TMIN', 'TMAX', 'TAVG'], # temperature at time of observation,
        'units' : 'metric',
        'limit' : 1000
    }
)
response.status_code

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df = pd.DataFrame(response.json()['results'])
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	date	datatype	station	attributes	value
0	2018-10-01T00:00:00	TAVG	GHCND:USW00014732	H,,S,	21.2
1	2018-10-01T00:00:00	TMAX	GHCND:USW00014732	,,W,2400	25.6
2	2018-10-01T00:00:00	TMIN	GHCND:USW00014732	,,W,2400	18.3
3	2018-10-02T00:00:00	TAVG	GHCND:USW00014732	H,,S,	22.7
4	2018-10-02T00:00:00	TMAX	GHCND:USW00014732	,,W,2400	26.1

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df.datatype.value_counts()
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TAVG    31
TMAX    31
TMIN    31
Name: datatype, dtype: int64
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df.to_csv('/content/nyc_temperatures.csv', index=False)
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