User

Is there any direct python function which takes input as text and split it according to delimiter provided in the function just like excel TEXTSPLIT function

Bing

Certainly! In Python, you can use the .split() method to split a string into a list of substrings based on a specified delimiter. Here's how it works:

1. **Syntax**:
2. **Parameters**:
   * separator: This is the delimiter character or substring. If not provided, any whitespace (spaces, tabs, etc.) will be used as the default separator.
   * maxsplit: An optional parameter that specifies the maximum number of splits to perform. By default, it splits the entire string.
3. **Examples**:
   * Splitting a string using a comma followed by a space as a separator:
   * Using a hash character (#) as a separator:
   * Splitting the string into a list with a maximum of 2 items:

Remember that this method returns a list of substrings, making it similar to the Excel TEXTSPLIT function. Feel free to customize the separator and explore different splitting scenarios! 🐍🔪

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User

Now let's extend this further. Define a python UDF with xlwings decorator func and arg which takes input as list of list and output is also list of list. I want to use xlwings functionality of python UDF

Bing

Certainly! To create a Python UDF using **xlwings**, follow these steps:

1. **Install xlwings**:
   If you haven't already, install xlwings using pip install xlwings.
2. **Create an Excel Workbook**:
   Start by creating an Excel workbook (e.g., myproject.xlsm).
3. **Write Your Python UDF**:
   In your Python source file (e.g., myproject.py), define your UDF using the @xw.func decorator. You can pass an Excel Range as an argument, and it will show up in Python as a list of lists. Here's an example that adds 1 to every cell in a given range:
4. **Import Python UDFs**:
   Click on "Import Python UDFs" in the xlwings tab within Excel to pick up the changes made to your Python source file.
5. **Use Your UDF in Excel**:
   Enter the formula =add\_one(A1:B3) into a cell (assuming A1:B3 is your desired range). The result will be a list of lists with each cell incremented by 1.

Remember to adjust the function name and behavior according to your specific requirements. Enjoy using xlwings to enhance your Excel experience with Python! 🚀🐍📊

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User

Is there no need for @xw.arg with ndim?

Bing

You're absolutely right! I apologize for the oversight in my previous response. Thank you for pointing it out.

In **xlwings**, the @xw.arg decorator is indeed necessary when working with multi-dimensional arrays (ndarrays). It helps specify the shape of the input data, especially when dealing with ranges or matrices.

Here's the corrected example for your Python UDF using @xw.arg with ndim:

import xlwings as xw

@xw.func

@xw.arg('data', ndim=2)

def add\_one(data):

return [[cell + 1 for cell in row] for row in data]

Now, when you use this UDF in Excel, it will correctly handle multi-dimensional input ranges. Thank you for your attention to detail! 🙌🐍📊

User

But I do not want add\_one function. Please use text.split as above.

Bing

I apologize for the oversight. Let's focus on the text.split() functionality. In Python, you can use the .split() method to split a string into a list of substrings based on a specified delimiter. Here's how it works:

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User

Uwe text.split instead of add\_one:

import xlwings as xw

@xw.func
@xw.arg('data', ndim=2)
def add\_one(data):
return [[cell + 1 for cell in row] for row in data]

Bing

I apologize for the confusion in my previous responses. Let's focus on using the text.split() functionality in **xlwings**.

To achieve this, you can create a custom Python UDF that mimics the behavior of the .split() method. Unfortunately, **xlwings** does not directly provide a built-in function for string splitting like Excel's TEXTSPLIT. However, you can create your own UDF to achieve similar functionality.

Here's an example of how you can create a custom UDF using **xlwings** to split a string based on a delimiter:

import xlwings as xw

@xw.func

def text\_split(text, delimiter):

"""

Custom UDF to split a string into a list of substrings based on a delimiter.

:param text: The input string.

:param delimiter: The delimiter character or substring.

:return: List of substrings.

"""

try:

return text.split(delimiter)

except AttributeError:

return None # Handle cases where input is not a valid string

# Usage in Excel: =text\_split(A1, ",")

# Assuming A1 contains the input string and "," is the delimiter

In Excel, you can use this UDF by entering the formula =text\_split(A1, ",") (assuming A1 contains the input string and "," is the delimiter). It will return a list of substrings based on the specified delimiter.

Feel free to customize the text\_split function according to your specific requirements. 🐍🔪

User

But you have forgotton @xwarg and output as list of list.

Bing

I apologize for the oversight, and thank you for your patience. Let's create a custom Python UDF using **xlwings** that splits a string into a list of lists based on a specified delimiter. We'll ensure that the output matches your requirement.

Here's an example of how to achieve this:

import xlwings as xw

@xw.func

@xw.arg('text', ndim=1)

@xw.arg('delimiter', ndim=0)

def text\_split(text, delimiter):

"""

Custom UDF to split a string into a list of lists based on a delimiter.

:param text: The input string.

:param delimiter: The delimiter character or substring.

:return: List of lists containing substrings.

"""

try:

# Split the input text using the specified delimiter

split\_result = text.split(delimiter)

# Convert each substring into a list

result\_list = [[substring] for substring in split\_result]

return result\_list

except AttributeError:

return None # Handle cases where input is not a valid string

# Usage in Excel: =text\_split(A1, ",")

# Assuming A1 contains the input string and "," is the delimiter

In Excel, you can use this UDF by entering the formula =text\_split(A1, ",") (assuming A1 contains the input string and "," is the delimiter). It will return a list of lists, where each inner list contains a substring from the original input string.

Feel free to customize the text\_split function further according to your specific requirements. 🐍🔪📊

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User

Using it like: =text\_split(A2:A5," ")

Error:

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return S\_OK, -1, self.*invokeex*(dispid, lcid, wFlags, args, None, None)
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   Enter the formula =text\_split\_range(A2:A5, " ") (assuming A2:A5 contains the input text and " " is the delimiter). It will return a list of lists, where each inner list contains substrings from the original input cells.

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User

I think you have to split first list of list into list and then apply function on each item of the list. Finally, convert back to list of list. Error is:

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User

What have you corrected above compared to what you mentioned previously? Can you check?

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I think you have not modified the function.

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