

Tube Disruption Check API

1. Make sure that the following is downloaded on your system:
 - Python (v3.8.2)
 - Pip (v20.0.2)
 - Flask (v2.0.1)
 - Python libraries:
 - i. requests
 - ii. datetime
 - iii. parsedatetime
 - iv. sqlite3
2. To run the server, run: 'python3 api.py'
3. Examples of API calls:
 - Scheduling a new task:
'curl -X POST -d "schedule_time=2021-10-06T16:00:00&lines=waterloo-city,central" http://localhost:5555/v1/tasks'
 - Get information about all tasks:
'curl -X GET http://localhost:5555/v1/tasks'
 - Get information about a specific task:
'curl -X GET http://localhost:5555/v1/tasks/task_id'
 - Get a task to run immediately:

'curl -X POST -d "lines=waterloo-city,central" http://localhost:5555/v1/tasks'
 - Update/Edit a task:
'curl -X PATCH -d "schedule_time=2022-06-05T17:00:00" http://localhost:5555/v1/tasks/task_id'

Limitations of the API:

- If one creates a new task with a schedule_time which has already passed, the task just gets added to the database, and the disruption data is never obtained (i.e. the task is never performed).
- If a task is deleted, its task_id can be assigned to a new task which is created.
- The API needs more thorough testing. (Testing of endpoints, and also usage of a unit testing framework so that the tests can all run automatically).
- No authentication, so if served publicly the API could be hit by anyone, and also no provisions for multiple users.

To run the unit tests:

Run 'python3 controller_tests.py'