

MultiThreadedWorkflow Documentation

The `MultiThreadedWorkflow` class represents a multi-threaded workflow designed to execute tasks concurrently using a thread pool. This class is highly useful in scenarios where tasks need to be executed in parallel to improve performance and efficiency. The workflow ensures that tasks are managed in a priority-based queue, and it includes mechanisms for retrying failed tasks and optionally saving task results automatically.

Class Definition

`MultiThreadedWorkflow`

Parameters

Parameter	Type	Default	Description
<code>max_workers</code>	<code>int</code>	<code>5</code>	The maximum number of worker threads in the thread pool.
<code>autosave</code>	<code>bool</code>	<code>True</code>	Flag indicating whether to automatically save task results.
<code>tasks</code>	<code>List[PriorityTask]</code>	<code>None</code>	List of priority tasks to be executed.
<code>retry_attempts</code>	<code>int</code>	<code>3</code>	The maximum number of retry attempts for failed tasks.
<code>*args</code>	<code>tuple</code>		Variable length argument list.
<code>**kwargs</code>	<code>dict</code>		Arbitrary keyword arguments.

Attributes

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`max_workers`	`int`	The maximum number of worker threads in the thread pool.
`autosave`	`bool`	Flag indicating whether to automatically save task results.
`retry_attempts`	`int`	The maximum number of retry attempts for failed tasks.
`tasks_queue`	`PriorityQueue`	The queue that holds the priority tasks.
`lock`	`Lock`	The lock used for thread synchronization.

Methods

`run`

Description

The `run` method executes the tasks stored in the priority queue using a thread pool. It handles task completion, retries failed tasks up to a specified number of attempts, and optionally saves the results of tasks if the autosave flag is set.

Usage Example

```
```python
from swarms import MultiThreadedWorkflow, PriorityTask, Task
```

```
Define some tasks
```

```
tasks = [PriorityTask(task=Task()), PriorityTask(task=Task())]
```

```
Create a MultiThreadedWorkflow instance
```

```
workflow = MultiThreadedWorkflow(max_workers=3, autosave=True, tasks=tasks,
retry_attempts=2)
```

```
Run the workflow
```

```
results = workflow.run()
```

```
print(results)
```

```
...
```

```
`_autosave_task_result`
```

```
Description
```

The `\_autosave\_task\_result` method is responsible for saving the results of a task. It uses a thread lock to ensure that the autosave operation is thread-safe.

```
Usage Example
```

This method is intended for internal use and is typically called by the `run` method. However, here is an example of how it might be used directly:

```
```python
```

```
# Create a task and result
```

```
task = Task()

result = task.run()

# Autosave the result

workflow = MultiThreadedWorkflow()

workflow._autosave_task_result(task, result)

...
```

Detailed Functionality and Usage

Initialization

When an instance of `MultiThreadedWorkflow` is created, it initializes the following:

- **max_workers**: Sets the maximum number of threads that can run concurrently.
- **autosave**: Determines if the task results should be saved automatically.
- **tasks**: Accepts a list of tasks that need to be executed. If no tasks are provided, an empty list is used.
- **retry_attempts**: Sets the maximum number of retry attempts for failed tasks.
- **tasks_queue**: A priority queue to manage tasks based on their priority.
- **lock**: A threading lock to ensure thread-safe operations.

Running Tasks

The `run` method performs the following steps:

1. ****Initialize Results and Executor****: Creates a list to store results and a ``ThreadPoolExecutor`` to manage the threads.
2. ****Submit Tasks****: Iterates over the tasks in the queue, submitting them to the executor for execution and storing the future objects.
3. ****Monitor Completion****: Uses the ``wait`` function to monitor the completion of tasks. Once a task is completed, it retrieves the result or catches exceptions.
4. ****Retry Mechanism****: If a task fails, it checks the number of attempts made and retries the task if the limit is not reached.
5. ****Autosave****: If the ``autosave`` flag is set, the ``_autosave_task_result`` method is called to save the task results.

Autosave Task Result

The ``_autosave_task_result`` method handles the saving of task results. It uses a threading lock to ensure that the save operation is not interrupted by other threads.

Additional Information and Tips

- ****Thread Safety****: The use of threading locks ensures that the operations are thread-safe, preventing race conditions.
- ****Logging****: The class uses the logging module to log information about task completion, retries, and failures.
- ****Error Handling****: The retry mechanism helps in handling transient errors by attempting to re-execute failed tasks.

References and Resources

For more information on threading and concurrent execution in Python, refer to the following resources:

- [Python Threading Documentation](<https://docs.python.org/3/library/threading.html>)

- [Python Concurrent Futures Documentation](<https://docs.python.org/3/library/concurrent.futures.html>)