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# **pylivy Documentation**

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Livy is an open source REST interface for interacting with Spark. pylivy is a Python client for Livy, enabling easy remote code execution on a Spark cluster.



## INSTALLATION

```
$ pip install -U livy
```

Note that `pylivy` requires Python 3.6 or later.





## USAGE

The `LivySession` class is the main interface provided by `pylivy`:

```
from livy import LivySession

LIVY_URL = 'http://spark.example.com:8998'

with LivySession(LIVY_URL) as session:
    # Run some code on the remote cluster
    session.run("filtered = df.filter(df.name == 'Bob')")
    # Retrieve the result
    local_df = session.read('filtered')
```

Authenticate requests sent to Livy by passing any requests Auth object to the `LivySession`. For example, to perform HTTP basic auth do:

```
from requests.auth import HTTPBasicAuth

auth = HTTPBasicAuth('username', 'password')

with LivySession(LIVY_URL, auth) as session:
    session.run("filtered = df.filter(df.name == 'Bob')")
    local_df = session.read('filtered')
```



## API DOCUMENTATION

### 3.1 livy.session

```
class livy.session.LivySession(url, auth=None, verify=True, kind=<SessionKind.PYSPARK:
    'pyspark'>, proxy_user=None, jars=None, py_files=None,
    files=None, driver_memory=None, driver_cores=None,
    executor_memory=None, executor_cores=None,
    num_executors=None, archives=None, queue=None,
    name=None, spark_conf=None, echo=True, check=True)
```

Manages a remote Livy session and high-level interactions with it.

The `py_files`, `files`, `jars` and `archives` arguments are lists of URLs, e.g. [`"s3://bucket/object"`, `"hdfs://path/to/file"`, ...] and must be reachable by the Spark driver process. If the provided URL has no scheme, it's considered to be relative to the default file system configured in the Livy server.

URLs in the `py_files` argument are copied to a temporary staging area and inserted into Python's `sys.path` ahead of the standard library paths. This allows you to import `.py`, `.zip` and `.egg` files in Python.

URLs for `jars`, `py_files`, `files` and `archives` arguments are all copied to the same working directory on the Spark cluster.

The `driver_memory` and `executor_memory` arguments have the same format as JVM memory strings with a size unit suffix ("`k`", "`m`", "`g`" or "`t`") (e.g. `512m`, `2g`).

See <https://spark.apache.org/docs/latest/configuration.html> for more information on Spark configuration properties.

#### Parameters

- **url** (`str`) – The URL of the Livy server.
- **auth** (`Union[AuthBase, Tuple[str, str], None]`) – A requests-compatible auth object to use when making requests.
- **verify** (`Union[bool, str]`) – Either a boolean, in which case it controls whether we verify the server's TLS certificate, or a string, in which case it must be a path to a CA bundle to use. Defaults to `True`.
- **kind** (`SessionKind`) – The kind of session to create.
- **proxy\_user** (`Optional[str]`) – User to impersonate when starting the session.
- **jars** (`Optional[List[str]]`) – URLs of jars to be used in this session.
- **py\_files** (`Optional[List[str]]`) – URLs of Python files to be used in this session.
- **files** (`Optional[List[str]]`) – URLs of files to be used in this session.

- **driver\_memory** (Optional[str]) – Amount of memory to use for the driver process (e.g. ‘512m’).
- **driver\_cores** (Optional[int]) – Number of cores to use for the driver process.
- **executor\_memory** (Optional[str]) – Amount of memory to use per executor process (e.g. ‘512m’).
- **executor\_cores** (Optional[int]) – Number of cores to use for each executor.
- **num\_executors** (Optional[int]) – Number of executors to launch for this session.
- **archives** (Optional[List[str]]) – URLs of archives to be used in this session.
- **queue** (Optional[str]) – The name of the YARN queue to which submitted.
- **name** (Optional[str]) – The name of this session.
- **spark\_conf** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Spark configuration properties.
- **echo** (bool) – Whether to echo output printed in the remote session. Defaults to True.
- **check** (bool) – Whether to raise an exception when a statement in the remote session fails. Defaults to True.

**start()**

Create the remote Spark session and wait for it to be ready.

**Return type** None

**property state**

The state of the managed Spark session.

**Return type** SessionState

**close()**

Kill the managed Spark session.

**Return type** None

**run(*code*)**

Run some code in the managed Spark session.

**Parameters** **code** (str) – The code to run.

**Return type** Output

**read(*dataframe\_name*)**

Evaluate and retrieve a Spark dataframe in the managed session.

**Parameters** **dataframe\_name** (str) – The name of the Spark dataframe to read.

**Return type** DataFrame

**read\_sql(*code*)**

Evaluate a Spark SQL statement and retrieve the result.

**Parameters** **code** (str) – The Spark SQL statement to evaluate.

**Return type** DataFrame

## 3.2 livy.client

**class** `livy.client.LivyClient` (*url*, *auth=None*, *verify=True*)

A client for sending requests to a Livy server.

### Parameters

- **url** (`str`) – The URL of the Livy server.
- **auth** (`Union[AuthBase, Tuple[str, str], None]`) – A requests-compatible auth object to use when making requests.
- **verify** (`Union[bool, str]`) – Either a boolean, in which case it controls whether we verify the server’s TLS certificate, or a string, in which case it must be a path to a CA bundle to use. Defaults to `True`.

**close** ()

Close the underlying requests session.

**Return type** `None`

**server\_version** ()

Get the version of Livy running on the server.

**Return type** `Version`

**legacy\_server** ()

Determine if the server is running a legacy version.

Legacy versions support different session kinds than newer versions of Livy.

**Return type** `bool`

**list\_sessions** ()

List all the active sessions in Livy.

**Return type** `List[Session]`

**create\_session** (*kind*, *proxy\_user=None*, *jars=None*, *py\_files=None*, *files=None*, *driver\_memory=None*, *driver\_cores=None*, *executor\_memory=None*, *executor\_cores=None*, *num\_executors=None*, *archives=None*, *queue=None*, *name=None*, *spark\_conf=None*)

Create a new session in Livy.

The `py_files`, `files`, `jars` and `archives` arguments are lists of URLs, e.g. [`“s3://bucket/object”`, `“hdfs://path/to/file”`, ...] and must be reachable by the Spark driver process. If the provided URL has no scheme, it’s considered to be relative to the default file system configured in the Livy server.

URLs in the `py_files` argument are copied to a temporary staging area and inserted into Python’s `sys.path` ahead of the standard library paths. This allows you to import `.py`, `.zip` and `.egg` files in Python.

URLs for `jars`, `py_files`, `files` and `archives` arguments are all copied to the same working directory on the Spark cluster.

The `driver_memory` and `executor_memory` arguments have the same format as JVM memory strings with a size unit suffix (`“k”`, `“m”`, `“g”` or `“t”`) (e.g. `512m`, `2g`).

See <https://spark.apache.org/docs/latest/configuration.html> for more information on Spark configuration properties.

### Parameters

- **kind** (`SessionKind`) – The kind of session to create.

- **proxy\_user** (Optional[str]) – User to impersonate when starting the session.
- **jars** (Optional[List[str]]) – URLs of jars to be used in this session.
- **py\_files** (Optional[List[str]]) – URLs of Python files to be used in this session.
- **files** (Optional[List[str]]) – URLs of files to be used in this session.
- **driver\_memory** (Optional[str]) – Amount of memory to use for the driver process (e.g. '512m').
- **driver\_cores** (Optional[int]) – Number of cores to use for the driver process.
- **executor\_memory** (Optional[str]) – Amount of memory to use per executor process (e.g. '512m').
- **executor\_cores** (Optional[int]) – Number of cores to use for each executor.
- **num\_executors** (Optional[int]) – Number of executors to launch for this session.
- **archives** (Optional[List[str]]) – URLs of archives to be used in this session.
- **queue** (Optional[str]) – The name of the YARN queue to which submitted.
- **name** (Optional[str]) – The name of this session.
- **spark\_conf** (Optional[Dict[str, Any]]) – Spark configuration properties.

**Return type** Session

**get\_session** (*session\_id*)

Get information about a session.

**Parameters** **session\_id** (int) – The ID of the session.

**Return type** Optional[Session]

**delete\_session** (*session\_id*)

Kill a session.

**Parameters** **session\_id** (int) – The ID of the session.

**Return type** None

**list\_statements** (*session\_id*)

Get all the statements in a session.

**Parameters** **session\_id** (int) – The ID of the session.

**Return type** List[Statement]

**create\_statement** (*session\_id*, *code*, *kind=None*)

Run a statement in a session.

**Parameters**

- **session\_id** (int) – The ID of the session.
- **code** (str) – The code to execute.
- **kind** (Optional[StatementKind]) – The kind of code to execute.

**Return type** Statement

**get\_statement** (*session\_id*, *statement\_id*)

Get information about a statement in a session.

**Parameters**

- **session\_id**(int) – The ID of the session.
- **statement\_id**(int) – The ID of the statement.

**Return type** Statement





## CONTRIBUTING

### 4.1 Contributing to pylivy

Thanks for considering contributing to pylivy!

#### 4.1.1 Asking questions and reporting issues

If you have any questions on using pylivy or would like to make a suggestion on improving pylivy, please open an issue on GitHub:

<https://github.com/acroz/pylivy/issues>

#### 4.1.2 Submitting code changes

Before opening a PR, have a look at the information below on code formatting and tests. Tests will be run automatically on Travis and must pass before a PR can be merged.

##### Code formatting

Code must be formatted with Black (with a line length of 79, as configured in `pyproject.toml`), plus pass Flake8 linting and mypy static type checks.

It's recommend that you configure your editor to `autoformat your code with Black` and to highlight any Flake8 or mypy errors. This will help you catch them early and avoid disappointment when the tests are run later!

##### Running tests

pylivy includes two types of code tests; unit tests and integration tests. The unit tests test individual classes of the code base, while the integration tests verify the behaviour of the library against an actual running Livy server.

To run the unit tests, which run quickly and do not require a Livy server to be running, first install `tox` (a Python testing tool) if you do not already have it:

```
pip install tox
```

then run:

```
tox -e py37
```

`tox` will build the project into a package, prepare a Python virtual environment with additional test dependencies, and execute the tests. You can also run tests against Python 3.6 by replacing `py37` with `py36` in the above command.

To run integration tests, you need to first start a Livy server to test against. For this purpose, I've prepared a Docker image that runs a basic Livy setup. To run it:

```
docker run --publish 8998:8998 acroz/livy
```

Then, in a separate shell, run the integration tests:

```
tox -e py37-integration
```

Again, you can replace `py37` with `py36` to change the Python version used.

### Adding tests

Any new contributions to the library should include appropriate tests, possibly including unit tests, integration tests, or both. Please get in touch by [opening an issue](#) if you'd like to discuss what makes sense.

Both unit tests and integration tests are written with the `pytest` testing framework. If you're not familiar with it, I suggest having a look at their extensive documentation and examples first.

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