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Simple python library to manipulate directed graphs in redis

License

pygraph_redis is released under the MIT Public License

Description

`pygraph_redis` is a simple library to manipulate directed graphs inside a redis database.

In this library, a graph is a bunch of nodes, each node knows its predecessors and its successors. A node can store some attributes (strings or sets of strings).

Dependancies

`pygraph_redis` relies on `redis` and `redis-py`.

For atomicity of transaction, it requires lua scripting support (`redis-py` `>= 2.7.0` and `redis` `>= 2.6.0`), but it provides a legacy mode, without atomicity for older `redis` and `redis-py`.

Write atomicity

With proper versions, `pygraph_redis` provides the atomicity of transaction when adding or removing a node.

Installation

to install:

```
$ python setup.py install  
or  
$ pip install pygraph_redis
```

How to use

First you need a redis database, it's up to you to install it.

The library itself is quite simple:

6.1 Cheat Sheet

```
#           initialization
#   arg1      |   arg2      |   arg3
#-----
# redis connexion | graph_name |   logger
#   redis obj    | unicode    | logger obj

mygraph1 = Directed_graph(r_server, u'mygraph1', logger)

#optional args:
#   arg4      |   arg5
#-----
# separator | has_root
# unicode    | bool

mygraph1 = Directed_graph(r_server,
    u'mygraph1', logger, u'mysep', True)
)
```

```
#           create or add elements to a node
#   arg1      |   arg2      |   arg3      |   arg4
#-----
# node name | successors | predecessors |   attributs
# unicode   | unicode list | unicode list |   dictionnary of unicode
#           |           |           |   or set of unicode (key: unicode)

mygraph1.write_on_node(u'm1',
    [u's2'],
    [u'p1'],
    {u'a3': set([u'69']), u'a2': u'42'})
)
```

```
#           delete elements from a node
#   arg1      |   arg2      |   arg3      |   arg4
#-----
# node name | successors | predecessors | attributs names
```

```
# unicode / unicode list / unicode list / list of unicode
```

```
mygraph1.write_off_node(u'm1', [u's2'], [u'p1'], [u'attr3', u'attr2'])
```

```
# delete a node
```

```
#     arg1
```

```
#-----
```

```
# node name
```

```
#     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.remove_node(u'm1')
```

```
# get attributes list
```

```
#     arg1
```

```
#-----
```

```
# node name
```

```
#     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.get_attributes_list(u'm1')
```

```
# get an attribute
```

```
#     arg1 /     arg2
```

```
#-----/-----
```

```
# node name / attribute name
```

```
#     unicode /     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.get_attribute(u'm1', u'a2')
```

```
# get an attribute length
```

```
#     arg1 /     arg2
```

```
#-----/-----
```

```
# node name / attribute name
```

```
#     unicode /     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.get_attribute_len(u'm1', u'a2')
```

```
# get successors
```

```
#     arg1
```

```
#-----
```

```
# node name
```

```
#     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.get_successors(u'm1')
```

```
# get predecessors
```

```
#     arg1
```

```
#-----
```

```
# node name
```

```
#     unicode
```

```
mygraph1.get_predecessors(u'm1')
```

6.2 Initialization

Create an instance of “Directed_graph”:

```
#importing directed_graph
from pygraph_redis.directed_graph import Directed_graph
import redis

#creating a basic logger
import logging
logging.basicConfig(format = u'%(message)s')
logger = logging.getLogger(u'redis')
logger.parent.setLevel(logging.DEBUG)

#creating the redis connexion
r_server = redis.Redis("localhost")

#creating the graph object
mygraph1 = Directed_graph(r_server, u'mygraph1', logger)

#creating the graph object with a different separator
mygraph2 = Directed_graph(r_server, u'mygraph2', logger, separator = u'mysep')

#creating the graph object with a "root" (improper name, I know)
mygraph2 = Directed_graph(r_server, u'mygraph2', logger, has_root = True)
# "has_root = True" ensures that every node has a predecessor
# if enabled, a node has at least root as a predecessor,
# but if it has any other predecessor it doesn't have root as predecessor
```

6.3 Node manipulation

Node creation:

```
#add node 'm1' to 'mygraph1' with:
#successors: 's1' and 's2'
#predecessors: 'p1' and 'p2'
#attributs:
# * 'attr1': set([u'51',u'69'])
# * 'attr2': '42'

mygraph1.write_on_node(u'm1',
    [u's1', u's2'],
    [u'p1', u'p2'],
    {u'attr1': set([u'51', u'69']), u'attr2': u'42'})
)
```

About *successors* and *predecessors*, if node was already declared as a predecessor of one of its successors, it's not necessary to add this successor in node successors set. Same with *predecessors*.

example:

```
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'pred',
    [u'succ'],
    [],
    {}
)
```

```
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'succ',
    [],
    [],
```

```
{ }  
)
```

Gives the same result that:

```
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'pred',  
    [u'succ'],  
    [],  
    {}  
)
```

```
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'succ',  
    [],  
    [u'pred'],  
    {}  
)
```

Node edition:

```
#add new elements or edit existing elements of a node  
#it's exactly the same function as before  
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'm1',  
    [u's4'],  
    [],  
    {u'attr3': set([u'16', u'32', u'64']), u'attr2': u'5150'})  
)  
  
#remove some elements of a node (successors, predecessors, attributes)  
mygraph1.write_off_node(u"m1", [u"s1"], [u"p2"], [u'attr2'])  
  
#completely delete a node  
mygraph1.remove_node(u'm1')
```

6.4 Node attributes manipulation

To manipulate the attributes of a node:

```
#create the node 'm2'  
mygraph1.write_on_node(u'm2',  
    [u's1', u's2'],  
    [u'p1', u'p2'],  
    {u'attr1': set([u'51', u'69']), u'attr2': u'42'})  
)  
  
#get the set of attribute names  
set_of_attributes = mygraph1.get_attributes_list(u'm2')  
print set_of_attributes  
  
#get a specific attribute  
attr2 = mygraph1.get_attribute(u'm2', u'attr2')  
print attr2  
  
#get a specific attribute length  
# 1 if it's a string  
# cardinal of set if it's a set  
# 0 if attribute doesn't exists
```

```
attr2 = mygraph1.get_attribut_len(u'm2', u'attr2')
print attr2
```

6.5 Graph navigation

To navigate inside the graph, you have two functions:

```
#get the predecessors of 'm2'
predecessors = mygraph1.get_predecessors(u'm2')
print predecessors

#get the successors of 'm2'
successors = mygraph1.get_successors(u'm2')
```

if you have the *has_root* flag enable:

```
#get the "root" name
root = mygraph1.get_root_name()

print root

#get the successors of 'root'
successors = mygraph1.get_successors(root)
print successors
```

6.6 About the redis keys

Redis key format:

```
<graph name><sep><node_name><sep><variable_name>[<sep><other>]*

<graph name>: name of the graph
<sep>: the key fields separator
      (this string should not be in node_name or variable_name,
       otherwise, there is a redis key collision possibility)
<node_name>: name of the node
<variable_name>: name of the variable
[<sep><other>]: optional extension
```

To avoid key collision, you must carefully choose the key separator, it must not be included in any node name or node attribut name (possible redis key collision).

6.7 About the logs

This library provides a lot of logs, mainly debug, some info (ex: legacy modes), some warning (ex: possible key collision)