
PFP Documentation

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Pfp (python format parser) is a python interpreter for [010 Editor template scripts](#).

Pfp uses [py010parser](#) to parse 010 templates into an AST, which is then interpreted by pfp. Pfp then returns a DOM object which can be used to access individual fields of the defined data structure.

Please read the [Getting Started](#) section for a better introduction.

1.1 Installation

```
pip install pfp
```

1.2 Console Script

Pfp comes with a console script that will print parsed data:

```
$> pfp --help
usage: pfp [-h] -t TEMPLATE [--show-offsets] [-k] input

Run pfp on input data using a specified 010 Editor template for parsing

positional arguments:
  input                The input data stream or file to parse. Use '-' for
                        piped data

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -t TEMPLATE, --template TEMPLATE
                        The template to parse with
  --show-offsets        Show offsets in the parsed data of parsed fields
  -k, --keep            Keep successfully parsed data on error
```

Example usages:

```
pfp --keep -t png.bt test.png

cat test.png | pfp --keep -t png.bt -

pfp --keep -t png.bt - <test.png
```

1.3 PNG Parsing Example

Below is a simple PNG template that will parse the PNG image into chunks. The `tEXt` chunk of the PNG image will also specifically be parsed:

```
typedef struct {
    // null-terminated
    string label;

    char comment[length - sizeof(label)];
} TEXT;

typedef struct {
    uint length<watch=data, update=WatchLength>;
    char cname[4];

    union {
        char raw[length];

        if(cname == "tEXt") {
            TEXT tEXt;
        }
    } data;
    uint crc<watch=cname;data, update=WatchCrc32>;
} CHUNK;

uint64 magic;

while(!FEOF()) {
    CHUNK chunks;
}
```

The python code below will use the template above to parse a PNG image, find the `tEXt` chunk, and change the comment:

```
import pfp

dom = pfp.parse(data_file="image.png", template_file="png_template.bt")

for chunk in png.chunks:
    if chunk.cname == "tEXt":
        print("Comment before: {}".format(chunk.data.tEXt.comment))
        chunk.data.tEXt.comment = "NEW COMMENT"
        print("Comment after: {}".format(chunk.data.tEXt.comment))
```

A few differences do exist between 010 Editor and pfp. See the *Differences Between 010 and pfp* section for specific, documented differences.

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2.1 Getting Started

2.1.1 Installation

Pfp can be installed via pip:

```
pip install pfp
```

2.1.2 Introduction

Pfp is an interpreter for 010 template scripts. 010 Template scripts use a modified C syntax. Control-flow statements are allowed within struct declarations, and type checking is done dynamically, as statements are interpreted instead of at compile time.

010 template scripts parse data from the input stream by declaring variables. Each time a variable is declared, that much data is read from the input stream and stored in the variable.

Variables are also allowed that do not cause data to be read from the input stream. Prefixing a declaration with `const` or `local` will create a temporary variable that can be used in the script.

An example template script that parses TLV (type-length-value) structures out of the input stream is shown below:

```
local int count = 0;
const uint64 MAGIC = 0xaabbccddeeff0011;

uint64 magic;
```

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```

if(magic != MAGIC) {
    Printf("Magic value is not valid, bailing");
    return 1;
}

while(!FEof()) {
    Printf("Parsing the %d-th TLV structure", ++count);
    struct {
        string type;
        int length;
        char value[length];
    } tlv;
}

```

Note that a return statement in the main body of the script will cause the template to stop being executed. Also note that declaring multiple variables of the same name (in this case, `tlv`) will cause that variable to be made into an array of the variable's type.

More about the 010 template script syntax can be read about [on the 010 Editor website](#).

2.1.3 Parsing Data

010 template scripts are interpreted from python using the `pfp.parse` function, as shown below:

```

import pfp

template = """
    local int count = 0;
    const uint64 MAGIC = 0xaabbccddeeff0011;

    uint64 magic;

    if(magic != MAGIC) {
        Printf("Magic value is not valid, bailing");
        return 1;
    }

    while(!FEof()) {
        Printf("Parsing the %d-th TLV structure", ++count);
        struct {
            string type;
            int length;
            char value[length];
        } tlvs;
    }
"""

parsed_tlv = pfp.parse(
    template      = template,
    data_file     = "path/to/tlv.bin"
)

```

The `pfp.parse` function returns a dom of the parsed data. Individual fields may be accessed using standard dot-notation:

```
for tlv in parsed_tlv.tlvs:
    print("type: {}, value: {}".format(tlv.type, tlv.value))
```

2.1.4 Manipulating Data

Parsed data contained within the dom can be manipulated and then rebuilt:

```
for tlv in parsed_tlv.tlvs:
    if tlv.type == "SOMETYPE":
        tlv.value = "a new value"

new_data = parsed_tlv._pfp__build()
```

2.1.5 Printing Structures

The method `pfp.fields.Field._pfp__show` will print data information about the field. If called on a field that contains child fields, those fields will also be printed:

```
dom = pfp.parse(...)
print(dom._pfp__show(include_offset=True))
```

2.1.6 Metadata

010 template syntax supports adding “special attributes” (called metadata in pfp). 010 editor’s special attributes are largely centered around how fields are displayed in the GUI; for this reason, pfp currently ignores 010 editor’s special attributes.

However, pfp also introduces new special attributes to help manage relationships between fields, such as lengths, checksums, and compressed data.

The template below has updated the TLV-parsing template from above to add metadata to the length field:

```
local int count = 0;
const uint64 MAGIC = 0xaabbccddeeff0011;

uint64 magic;

if(magic != MAGIC) {
    Printf("Magic value is not valid, bailing");
    return 1;
}

while(!FEof()) {
    Printf("Parsing the %d-th TLV structure", ++count);
    struct {
        string type;
        int length<watch=value, update=WatchLength>;
        char value[length];
    } tlvs;
}
```

With the metadata, if the value field of a tlv were changed, the length field would be automatically updated to the new length of the value field.

See [Metadata](#) for detailed information.

2.1.7 Debugger

Pfp comes with a built-in debugger, which can be dropped into by calling the `Int3()` function in a template.

```

    23 //    length (4 bytes), chunk_type (4 bytes), data (length bytes), crc (4_
->bytes)
    24 //    CRC Does NOT include the length bytes.
    25 //-----
    26
--> 27 Int3();
    28
    29 BigEndian();                // PNG files are in Network Byte order
    30
    31 const uint64 PNGMAGIC = 0x89504E470D0A1A0AL;
pfp> peek
89 50 4e 47 0d 0a 1a 0a 00 00 00 0d 49 48 44 52 .PNG.....IHDR
pfp> help

Documented commands (type help <topic>):
=====
EOF  continue  eval  help  list  next  peek  quit  s  show  step  x

pfp> n
    25 //-----
    26
    27 Int3();
    28
--> 29 BigEndian();                // PNG files are in Network Byte order
    30
    31 const uint64 PNGMAGIC = 0x89504E470D0A1A0AL;
    32
    33 // Chunk Type
pfp>
```

2.2 Metadata

Fields in PFP are allowed to have metadata. Metadata is added to a field by adding a `<key=val, key2=val2, ...>` after a field's declaration, but before the semicolon. 010 templates also allow for metadata to be added to fields, although most of those values changed how fields were displayed in the GUI:

```
int someField<format=hex>;
```

PFP adds some more useful extensions to the 010 template syntax. E.g. metadata values that allow fields to “watch” a different field and update its own value when the watched field changes:

```
struct {
    int length<watch=stringData, update=WatchLength>;
    string data;
} stringWithLength;
```

2.2.1 PFP Metadata Extensions

Watch Metadata

Watch metadata allows the template to specify that a field should be modified or update when one of the fields it watches changes value.

Watch metadata must meet the requirements below:

- must contain the `watch` key to specify which field(s) to watch
- must contain the `update` key to specify a function to perform the updating

watch

The `watch` key must be one or more semi-colon-separated statements or field names. All of these fields will be passed to the specified `update` function. E.g.:

```
int field1;
int field2;
int field3<watch=field1;field2, ...>;
```

Note that each item in the semi-colon-separated watch field list is eval'd as 010 template script. The resulting field will be the result of the eval. This allows, for example, functions to be called that will return which field to watch. (I have no idea why you'd want to do this, but you can).

update

The `update` key must be the name of a function, native or interpreted, that will accept at least two parameters. The update function should have the signature::

```
void SumFields(int &to_update, int watched1, int watched2) {
    to_update = watched1 + watched2;
}
```

The function above can then be used like so:: `int field1; int field2; int sum<watch=field1;field2, update=SumFields>;`

Built-in Watch Functions

`pfp.native.watchers.watch_crc(*args, **kwargs)`

WatchCrc32 - Watch the total crc32 of the params.

Example: The code below uses the `WatchCrc32` update function to update the `crc` field to the crc of the length and data fields

```
char length;
char data[length];
int crc<watch=length;data, update=WatchCrc32>;
```

`pfp.native.watchers.watch_length(*args, **kwargs)`

WatchLength - Watch the total length of each of the params.

Example: The code below uses the `WatchLength` update function to update the `length` field to the length of the data field

```
int length<watch=data, update=WatchLength>;
char data[length];
```

Packer Metadata

Packer metadata allows data structures to be nested inside of transformed/encoded/compressed data. The most common example of this would be gzip-compressed data, that when decompressed also has a defined structure.

Packer metadata can be set in two different ways. In both ways, a `packtype` key must be set that specifies the structure type that should be used to parse the packed data.

The packing and unpacking function(s) have two ways to be defined:

1. **A single function (packer key) that takes an additional parameter that says whether to pack or unpack the data.**
2. **Two functions that define separate pack and unpack functions. The pack function is optional if you never intend to rebuild the dom.**

After packed data has been parsed, the packed data can be accessed via the `_` field name::

```
dom = pfp.parse(...)
dom.packed_data._.unpacked_field
...
```

packtype

The `packtype` key should point to a data type that will be used to parse the packed data. E.g.::

```
typedef struct {
    int a;
    int b;
} packedData;

struct {
    uchar data[4]<packtype=packedData, ...>;
} main;
```

packer

The `packer` key should reference a function that can handle both packing *and* unpacking. The function (native or interpreted) must have the signature::

```
char[] packerFunction(pack, char data[]) {
    ...
    // must return an array of unpacked data
}
```

Note that interpreted packer functions have not been thoroughly tested. Native packers work just fine (see the `PackerGZip` packer for an example).

pack

The `pack` key should be a function that accepts an array of the unpacked data, and returns an array that represents the packed data.

unpack

The `unpack` key should be a function that accepts an array of packed data, and returns an array that represents the unpacked data.

Built-in Pack Functions

`pfp.native.packers.pack_gzip(*args, **kwargs)`

`PackGZip` - Concat the build output of all params and gzips the resulting data, returning a char array.

Example:

```
char data[0x100]<pack=PackGZip, ...>;
```

`pfp.native.packers.packer_gzip(*args, **kwargs)`

`PackerGZip` - implements both unpacking and packing. Can be used as the `packer` for a field. When packing, concatenates the build output of all params and gzip-compresses the result. When unpacking, concatenates the build output of all params and gzip-decompresses the result.

Example:

The code below specifies that the `data` field is gzipped and that once decompressed, should be parsed with `PACK_TYPE`. When building the `PACK_TYPE` structure, `data` will be updated with the compressed data.:

```
char data[0x100]<packer=PackerGZip, packtype=PACK_TYPE>;
```

Pack True if the data should be packed, false if it should be unpacked

Data The data to operate on

Returns An array

`pfp.native.packers.unpack_gzip(*args, **kwargs)`

`UnpackGZip` - Concat the build output of all params and gunzips the resulting data, returning a char array.

Example:

```
char data[0x100]<pack=UnpackGZip, ...>;
```

2.3 Fields

2.3.1 General

Every declared variable in 010 templates creates a `pfp.fields.Field` instance in memory.

Naming Convention

Some may find it annoying having the prefix `_pfp__` affixed to field methods and variables, but I found it more annoying having to access all child fields of a struct via square brackets. The prefix is simply to prevent name collisions so that `__getattr__` can be used to access child fields with dot-notation.

Parsed Offset

Parsed offsets of fields are set during object parsing and are re-set each time the main `pfp.fields.Dom` instance is built. This means that operations that should modify the offsets of fields will cause invalid offsets to exist until the main dom is built again.

Printing

Use the `pfp.fields.Field._pfp__show` method to return a pretty-printed representation of the field.

Full Field Paths

Use the `pfp.fields.Field._pfp__path` method to fetch the full path of the field. E.g. in the template below, the inner field would have a full path of `root.nested1.nested2.inner`, and the second element of the array field would have a full path of `root.nested1.nested2.array[1]`:

```
struct {
    struct {
        struct {
            char inner;
            char array[4];
        } nested2;
        int some_int;
    } nested1;
    int some_int2;
} root;
```

2.3.2 Structs

Structs are the main containers used to add fields to. A `pfp.fields.Dom` instance is the struct that all fields are added to.

2.3.3 Field Reference Documentation

class `pfp.fields.Field` (*stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

Core class for all fields used in the Pfp DOM.

All methods use the `_pfp__XXX` naming convention to avoid conflicting names used in templates, since struct fields will implement `__getattr__` and `__setattr__` to directly access child fields

`_pfp__build` (*output_stream=None, save_offset=False*)

Pack this field into a string. If `output_stream` is specified, write the output into the output stream

`Output_stream` Optional output stream to write the results to

`Save_offset` If true, the current offset into the stream will be saved in the field

Returns Resulting string if `output_stream` is not specified. Else the number of bytes written.

_pfp__name = None
The name of the Field

_pfp__parent = None
The parent of the field

_pfp__parse (*stream*, *save_offset=False*)
Parse this field from the `stream`

Stream An IO stream that can be read from

Save_offset Save the offset into the stream

Returns None

_pfp__path()
Return the full pathname of this field. E.g. given the template below, the `a` field would have a full path of `root.nested.a`

```
struct {
    struct {
        char a;
    } nested;
} root;
```

_pfp__set_value (*new_val*)
Set the new value if type checking is passes, potentially (TODO? reevaluate this) casting the value to something else

New_val The new value

Returns TODO

_pfp__show (*level=0*, *include_offset=False*)
Return a representation of this field

Parameters

- **level** (*int*) – The indent level of the output
- **include_offset** (*bool*) – Include the parsed offsets of this field

_pfp__watch_fields = []
All fields that this field is watching

_pfp__watchers = []
All fields that are watching this field

_pfp__width()
Return the width of the field (sizeof)

class `pfp.fields.Array` (*width*, *field_cls*, *stream=None*, *metadata_processor=None*)
The array field

field_cls = None
The class for items in the array

raw_data = None
The raw data of the array. Note that this will only be set if the array's items are a core type (E.g. Int, Char, etc)

width = -1

The number of items of the array. `len(array_field)` also works

class `pfp.fields.Struct` (*stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

The struct field

__pfp__add_child (*name, child, stream=None, overwrite=False*)

Add a child to the Struct field. If multiple consecutive fields are added with the same name, an implicit array will be created to store all fields of that name.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – The name of the child
- **child** (`pfp.fields.Field`) – The field to add
- **overwrite** (*bool*) – Overwrite existing fields (False)
- **stream** (`pfp.bitwrap.BitwrappedStream`) – unused, but here for compatibility with `Union.__pfp__add_child`

Returns The resulting field added

__pfp__children = []

All children of the struct, in order added

class `pfp.fields.Array` (*width, field_cls, stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

The array field

field_cls = `None`

The class for items in the array

implicit = `False`

If the array is an implicit array or not

raw_data = `None`

The raw data of the array. Note that this will only be set if the array's items are a core type (E.g. `Int`, `Char`, etc)

width = `-1`

The number of items of the array. `len(array_field)` also works

class `pfp.fields.BitfieldRW` (*interp, cls*)

Handles reading and writing the total bits for the bitfield data type from the input stream, and correctly applying endian and bit direction settings.

read_bits (*stream, num_bits, padded, left_right, endian*)

Return `num_bits` bits, taking into account endianness and left-right bit directions

reserve_bits (*num_bits, stream*)

Used to “reserve” `num_bits` amount of bits in order to keep track of consecutive bitfields (or are the called bitfield groups?).

E.g.

```
struct {
    char a:8, b:8;
    char c:4, d:4, e:8;
}
```

Parameters

- **num_bits** (*int*) – The number of bits to claim

- **stream** (`pfp.bitwrap.BitwrappedStream`) – The stream to reserve bits on

Returns If room existed for the reservation

write_bits (*stream, raw_bits, padded, left_right, endian*)

Write the bits. Once the size of the written bits is equal to the number of the reserved bits, flush it to the stream

class `pfp.fields.Char` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a signed char

class `pfp.fields.Dom` (**args, **kwargs*)

The main container struct for a template

class `pfp.fields.Double` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a double

class `pfp.fields.Enum` (*stream=None, enum_cls=None, enum_vals=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

The enum field class

class `pfp.fields.Field` (*stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

Core class for all fields used in the Pfp DOM.

All methods use the `_pfp_XXX` naming convention to avoid conflicting names used in templates, since struct fields will implement `__getattr__` and `__setattr__` to directly access child fields

class `pfp.fields.Float` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a float

class `pfp.fields.ImplicitArrayWrapper` (*last_field, implicit_array*)

class `pfp.fields.Int` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a signed int

class `pfp.fields.Int64` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a signed int64

class `pfp.fields.IntBase` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

The base class for all integers

class `pfp.fields.NumberBase` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

The base field for all numeric fields

class `pfp.fields.Short` (*stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False*)

A field representing a signed short

class `pfp.fields.String` (*stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

A null-terminated string. String fields should be interchangeable with char arrays

class `pfp.fields.Struct` (*stream=None, metadata_processor=None*)

The struct field

class pfp.fields.UChar (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing an unsigned char

class pfp.fields.UInt (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing an unsigned int

class pfp.fields.UInt64 (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing an unsigned int64

class pfp.fields.UShort (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing an unsigned short

class pfp.fields.Union (stream=None, metadata_processor=None)
 A union field, where each member is an alternate view of the data

class pfp.fields.Void (stream=None, metadata_processor=None)
 The void field - used for return value of a function

class pfp.fields.WChar (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing a signed wchar (aka short)

class pfp.fields.WString (stream=None, metadata_processor=None)

class pfp.fields.WUChar (stream=None, bitsize=None, metadata_processor=None, bitfield_rw=None, bitfield_padded=False, bitfield_left_right=False)
 A field representing an unsigned wchar (aka ushort)

2.4 Fuzzing

With the addition of the `pfp.fuzz` module, pfp now supports fuzzing out-of-the box! (w00t!).

2.4.1 pfp.fuzz.mutate() function

pfp contains a `pfp.fuzz.mutate` function that will mutate a provided field. The provided field will most likely just be the resulting dom from calling `pfp.parse`.

The `pfp.fuzz.mutate` function accepts several arguments:

- `field` - The field to fuzz. This does not have to be a `pfp.fields.Dom` object, although in the normal use case it will be.
- `strat_name_or_cls` - The name (or direct class) of the `StratGroup` to use
- `num` - The number of iterations to perform. Defaults to 100
- `at_once` - The number of fields to fuzz at once. Defaults to 1
- `yield_changed` - If true, the mutate generator will yield a tuple of (`mutated_dom`, `changed_fields`), where `changed_fields` is a set (not a list) of the fields that were changed. Also note that the yielded set of changed fields *can* be modified and is no longer needed by the mutate function. Defaults to False

2.4.2 Strategies

My (d0c_s4vage's) most successful fuzzing approaches have been ones that allowed me to pre-define various fuzzing strategies. This allows one to reuse, tweak existing, or create new strategies specific to each target or attack surface.

StratGroup

pfp strategy groups are containers for sets of field-specific fuzzing strategies. *StratGroups* must define a *unique name*. Strategy groups may also define a custom *filter_fields* method.

E.g. To define a strategy that *only* fuzzes integers, one could do something like this:

```
class IntegersOnly(pfp.fuzz.StratGroup):
    name = "ints_only"

    class IntStrat(pfp.fuzz.FieldStrat):
        klass = pfp.fields.IntBase
        choices = [0, 1, 2, 3]

    def filter_fields(self, fields):
        return filter(lambda x: isinstance(x, pfp.fields.IntBase), fields)
```

Then, after parsing some data using a template, the returned Dom instance could be mutated like so:

```
dom = pfp.parse(...)
for mutation in pfp.fuzz.mutate(dom, "ints_only", num=100, at_once=3):
    mutated = mutation._pfp__build()
    # do something with it
```

Note that the string `ints_only` was used as the *strat_name_or_cls* field. We could have also simply passed in the `IntegersOnly` class:

```
dom = pfp.parse(...)
for mutation in pfp.fuzz.mutate(dom, IntegersOnly, num=100, at_once=3):
    mutated = mutation._pfp__build()
    # do something with it
```

FieldStrat

FieldStrats define a specific fuzzing strategy for a specific field (or set of fields).

All *FieldStrats* must have either a *choices* field defined or a *prob* field defined.

Alternately, the *next_val* function may also be overridden if something more specific is needed.

2.4.3 Fuzzing Reference Documentation

This module contains the base classes used when defining mutation strategies for pfp

```
class pfp.fuzz.Changer(orig_data)
```

```
    build()
```

Apply all changesets to the original data

change (**kws)

Intended to be used with a `with` block. Takes care of pushing and popping the changes, yields the modified data.

pop_changes ()

Return a version of the original data after popping the latest

push_changes (field_set)

Push a new changeset onto the changeset stack for the provided set of fields.

`pfpp.fuzz.changeset_mutate` (field, strat_name_or_cls, num=100, at_once=1, yield_changed=False, fields_to_modify=None, base_data=None)

Mutate the provided field (probably a Dom or struct instance) using the strategy specified with `strat_name_or_class`, yielding num mutations that affect up to `at_once` fields at once.

This function will yield back the field after each mutation, optionally also yielding a set of fields that were mutated in that iteration (if `yield_changed` is True). It should also be noted that the yielded set of changed fields *can* be modified and is no longer needed by the `mutate()` function.

Parameters

- **field** (`pfpp.fields.Field`) – The field to mutate (can be anything, not just Dom/Structs)
- **strat_name_or_class** – Can be the name of a strategy, or the actual strategy class (not an instance)
- **num** (`int`) – The number of mutations to yield
- **at_once** (`int`) – The number of fields to mutate at once
- **yield_changed** (`bool`) – Yield a list of fields changed along with the mutated dom
- **use_changesets** (`bool`) – If a performance optimization should be used that builds the full output once, and then replaced only the changed fields, including watchers, etc. **NOTE** this does not yet work fully with packed structures (<https://pfpp.readthedocs.io/en/latest/metadata.html#packer-metadata>)

Returns generator

`pfpp.fuzz.mutate` (field, strat_name_or_cls, num=100, at_once=1, yield_changed=False)

Mutate the provided field (probably a Dom or struct instance) using the strategy specified with `strat_name_or_class`, yielding num mutations that affect up to `at_once` fields at once. This function will yield back the field after each mutation, optionally also yielding a set of fields that were mutated in that iteration (if `yield_changed` is True). It should also be noted that the yielded set of changed fields *can* be modified and is no longer needed by the `mutate()` function. :param `pfpp.fields.Field` field: The field to mutate (can be anything, not just Dom/Structs) :param `strat_name_or_class`: Can be the name of a strategy, or the actual strategy class (not an instance) :param `int` num: The number of mutations to yield :param `int` at_once: The number of fields to mutate at once :param `bool` yield_changed: Yield a list of fields changed along with the mutated dom :returns: generator

This module contains the base classes used when defining fuzzing strategies for pfpp

class `pfpp.fuzz.strats.FieldStrat`

A `FieldStrat` is used to define a fuzzing strategy for a specific field (or list of fields). A list of choices can be defined, or a set or probabilities that will yield

choices = None

An enumerable of new value choices to choose from when mutating.

This can also be a function/callable that returns an enumerable of choices. If it is a callable, the currently-being-fuzzed field will be passed in as a parameter.

class = None

The class this strategy should be applied to. Can be a pfp.fields.field class (or subclass) or a string of the class name.

Note that strings for the class name will only apply to direct instances of that class and not instances of subclasses.

Can also be a list of classes or class names.

mutate (*field*)

Mutate the given field, modifying it directly. This is not intended to preserve the value of the field.

Field The pfp.fields.Field instance that will receive the new value

next_val (*field*)

Return a new value to mutate a field with. Do not modify the field directly in this function. Override the `mutate()` function if that is needed (the field is only passed into this function as a reference).

Field The pfp.fields.Field instance that will receive the new value. Passed in for reference only.

Returns The next value for the field

prob = None

An enumerable of probabilities used to choose from when mutating E.g.:

```
[
    (0.50, 0xffff),          # 50% of the time it should be the value_
    ↪ 0xffff
    (0.25, xrange(0, 0x100)), # 25% of the time it should be in the range_
    ↪ [0, 0x100)
    (0.20, [0, 0xff, 0x100]), # 20% of the time it should be on of 0, 0xff, _
    ↪ or 0x100
    (0.05, {"min": 0, "max": 0x1000}), # 5% of the time, generate a number in_
    ↪ [min, max)
]
```

NOTE that the percentages need to add up to 100.

This can also be a function/callable that returns an probabilities list. If it is a callable, the currently-being-fuzzed field will be passed in as a parameter.

exception pfp.fuzz.strats.MutationError

pfp.fuzz.strats.STRATS = {None: <class 'pfp.fuzz.strats.StratGroup'>, 'basic': <class 'pfp.fuzz.strats.StratGroup'>}

Stores information on registered StatGroups

class pfp.fuzz.strats.StratGroup

StatGroups choose which sub-fields should be mutated, and which FieldStrat should be used to do the mutating.

The `filter_fields` method is intended to be overridden to provide custom filtering of child leaf fields should be mutated.

filter_fields (*field_list*)

Intended to be overridden. Should return a list of fields to be mutated.

Field_list The list of fields to filter

get_field_strat (*field*)

Return the strategy defined for the field.

Field The field

Returns The FieldStrat for the field or None

name = None

The unique name of the fuzzing strategy group. Can be used as the `strat_name_or_cls` parameter to the `pfp.fuzz.mutate()` function

which (field)

Return a list of leaf fields that should be mutated. If the field passed in is a leaf field, it will be returned in a list.

class `pfp.fuzz.strats.StratGroupMeta (*args, **kwargs)`

A metaclass for StratGroups that tracks subclasses of the StatGroup class.

`pfp.fuzz.strats.get_strategy (name_or_cls)`

Return the strategy identified by its name. If `name_or_class` is a class, it will be simply returned.

This module defines basic mutation strategies

class `pfp.fuzz.basic.BasicStrat`

A basic strategy that has FieldStrats (field strategies) defined for every field type. Nothing fancy, just basic.

class `Double`

class

alias of `pfp.fields.Double`

class `Enum`

class

alias of `pfp.fields.Enum`

class `Float`

class

alias of `pfp.fields.Float`

class `Int`

class `String`

class

alias of `pfp.fields.String`

next_val (field)

Return a new value to mutate a field with. Do not modify the field directly in this function. Override the `mutate()` function if that is needed (the field is only passed into this function as a reference).

Field The `pfp.fields.Field` instance that will receive the new value. Passed in for reference only.

Returns The next value for the field

2.5 Debugger

2.5.1 QuickStart

Pfp comes with a built-in debugger. You can drop into the interactive debugger by calling the `Int3()` function within a template.

All commands are documented below in the debug reference documentation. Command methods begin with `do_`.

2.5.2 Internals

While the pfp interpreter is handling AST nodes, it decides if a node can be “brokek” on using the `_node_is_breakable` method. If the interpreter is in a debug state, and the current node can be brokek on, the user will be dropped into the interactive debugger.

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class `pfp.dbg.PfpDbg` (*interp*)
The pfp debugger `cmd.Cmd` class

default (*line*)

Called on an input line when the command prefix is not recognized.

If this method is not overridden, it prints an error message and returns.

do_EOF (*args*)

The eof command

do_continue (*args*)

Continue the interpreter

do_eval (*args*)

Eval the user-supplied statement. Note that you can do anything with this command that you can do in a template.

The resulting value of your statement will be displayed.

do_list (*args*)

List the current location in the template

do_next (*args*)

Step over the next statement

do_peek (*args*)

Peek at the next 16 bytes in the stream:

Example:

The peek command will display the next 16 hex bytes in the input stream:

```
pfp> peek
89 50 4e 47 0d 0a 1a 0a 00 00 00 0d 49 48 44 52 .PNG.....IHDR
```

do_quit (*args*)

The quit command

do_s (*args*)

Step into the next statement

do_show (*args*)

Show the current structure of `__root` (no args), or show the result of the expression (something that can be eval'd).

do_step (*args*)

Step INTO the next statement

do_x (*args*)

Show the current structure of `__root` (no args), or show the result of the expression (something that can be eval'd).

postcmd(*stop, line*)

Hook method executed just after a command dispatch is finished.

preloop()

Hook method executed once when the cmdloop() method is called.

`pfp.native.dbg.int3(*args, **kwargs)`

Define the `Int3()` function in the interpreter. Calling `Int3()` will drop the user into an interactive debugger.

2.6 Interpreter

The Pfp interpreter is quite simple: it uses `py010parser` to parse the template into an abstract-syntax-tree, and then handles each of the nodes in the tree appropriately.

The main method for handling nodes is the `_handle_node` function. The `_handle_node` function performs basic housekeeping, logging, decides if the user should be dropped into the interactive debugger, and of course, handles the node itself.

If a methods are not implemented to handle a certain AST node, an `pfp.errors.UnsupportedASTNode` error will be raised. Implemented methods to handle AST node types are found in the `_node_switch` dict:

```
self._node_switch = {
    AST.FileAST:      self._handle_file_ast,
    AST.Decl:         self._handle_decl,
    AST.TypeDecl:     self._handle_type_decl,
    AST.ByRefDecl:    self._handle_byref_decl,
    AST.Struct:       self._handle_struct,
    AST.Union:        self._handle_union,
    AST.StructRef:    self._handle_struct_ref,
    AST.IdentifierType: self._handle_identifier_type,
    AST.Typedef:      self._handle_typedef,
    AST.Constant:     self._handle_constant,
    AST.BinaryOp:     self._handle_binary_op,
    AST.Assignment:   self._handle_assignment,
    AST.ID:           self._handle_id,
    AST.UnaryOp:      self._handle_unary_op,
    AST.FuncDef:      self._handle_func_def,
    AST.FuncCall:     self._handle_func_call,
    AST.FuncDecl:     self._handle_func_decl,
    AST.ParamList:    self._handle_param_list,
    AST.ExprList:     self._handle_expr_list,
    AST.Compound:     self._handle_compound,
    AST.Return:       self._handle_return,
    AST.ArrayDecl:    self._handle_array_decl,
    AST.InitList:     self._handle_init_list,
    AST.If:           self._handle_if,
    AST.For:          self._handle_for,
    AST.While:        self._handle_while,
    AST.DeclList:     self._handle_decl_list,
    AST.Break:        self._handle_break,
    AST.Continue:     self._handle_continue,
    AST.ArrayRef:     self._handle_array_ref,
    AST.Enum:         self._handle_enum,
    AST.Switch:       self._handle_switch,
    AST.Cast:         self._handle_cast,
    AST.TypeName:     self._handle_type_name,
    AST.EmptyStatement: self._handle_empty_statement,
```

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```

    StructDecls:          self._handle_struct_decls,
    UnionDecls:           self._handle_union_decls,
}

```

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`pfp.interp.LazyField(lookup_name, scope)`

Super non-standard stuff here. Dynamically changing the base class using the scope and the lazy name when the class is instantiated. This works as long as the original base class is not directly inheriting from object (which we're not, since our original base class is `fields.Field`).

class `pfp.interp.PfpInterp(debug=False, parser=None, int3=True)`

classmethod `add_native(name, func, ret, interp=None, send_interp=False)`

Add the native python function `func` into the pfp interpreter with the name `name` and return value `ret` so that it can be called from within a template script.

Note: The `@native` decorator exists to simplify this.

All native functions must have the signature `def func(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord [,interp])`, optionally allowing an interpreter param if `send_interp` is `True`.

Example:

The example below defines a function `Sum` using the `add_native` method.

```

import pfp.fields
from pfp.fields import PYVAL

def native_sum(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord):
    return PYVAL(params[0]) + PYVAL(params[1])

pfp.interp.PfpInterp.add_native("Sum", native_sum, pfp.fields.Int64)

```

Parameters

- **name** (*basestring*) – The name the function will be exposed as in the interpreter.
- **func** (*function*) – The native python function that will be referenced.
- **ret** (*type(pfp.fields.Field)*) – The field class that the return value should be cast to.
- **interp** (`pfp.interp.PfpInterp`) – The specific pfp interpreter the function should be defined in.
- **send_interp** (*bool*) – If true, the current pfp interpreter will be added as an argument to the function.

classmethod `add_predefine(template)`

Add a template that should be run prior to running any other templates. This is useful for predefining types, etc.

Parameters `template` (*basestring*) – The template text (unicode is also fine here)

cont ()

Continue the interpreter

classmethod `define_natives` ()

Define the native functions for PFP

eval (*statement*, *ctxt=None*)

Eval a single statement (something returnable)

get_bitfield_direction ()

Return if the bitfield direction

Note: This should be applied AFTER taking into account endianness.

get_bitfield_padded ()

Return if the bitfield input/output stream should be padded

Returns True/False

get_curr_lines ()

Return the current line number in the template, as well as the surrounding source lines

get_filename ()

Return the filename of the data that is currently being parsed

Returns The name of the data file being parsed.

get_types ()

Return a types object that will contain all of the typedefd structs' classes.

Returns Types object

Example:

Create a new PNG_CHUNK object from a PNG_CHUNK type that was defined in a template:

`types = interp.get_types() chunk = types.PNG_CHUNK()`

load_template (*template*)

Load a template and all required predefines into this interpreter. Future calls to `parse` will not require the template to be parsed.

parse (*stream*, *template=None*, *predefines=True*, *orig_filename=None*, *keep_successful=False*, *printf=True*)

Parse the data stream using the template (e.g. parse the 010 template and interpret the template using the stream as the data source).

Stream The input data stream

Template The template to parse the stream with

Keep_successful Return whatever was successfully parsed before an error. `__pfp__error` will contain the exception (if one was raised)

Parameters `printf` (*bool*) – If `False`, printf's will be noops (default="True")

Returns Pfp Dom

set_bitfield_direction (*val*)

Set the bitfields to parse from left to right (1), the default (None), or right to left (-1)

set_bitfield_padded (*val*)

Set if the bitfield input/output stream should be padded

Val True/False

Returns None

set_break (*break_type*)

Set if the interpreter should break.

Returns TODO

step_into ()

Step over/into the next statement

step_over ()

Perform one step of the interpreter

class pfp.interp.**PfpTypes** (*interp, scope*)

A class to hold all typedefd types in a template. Note that types are instantiated by having them parse a null-stream. This means that type creation will not work correctly for complicated structs that have internal control-flow

class pfp.interp.**Scope** (*logger, parent=None*)

A class to keep track of the current scope of the interpreter

add_local (*field_name, field*)

Add a local variable in the current scope

Field_name The field's name

Field The field

Returns None

add_refd_struct_or_union (*name, refd_name, interp, node*)

Add a lazily-looked up typedef struct or union

Name name of the typedefd struct/union

Node the typedef node

Interp the 010 interpreter

add_type (*new_name, orig_names*)

Record the typedefd name for orig_names. Resolve orig_names to their core names and save those.

New_name TODO

Orig_names TODO

Returns TODO

add_type_class (*name, cls*)

Store the class with the name

add_type_struct_or_union (*name, interp, node*)

Store the node with the name. When it is instantiated, the node itself will be handled.

Name name of the typedefd struct/union

Node the union/struct node

Interp the 010 interpreter

add_var (*field_name, field, root=False*)

Add a var to the current scope (vars are fields that parse the input stream)

Field_name TODO

Field TODO

Returns TODO

clear_meta ()

Clear metadata about the current statement

clone ()

Return a new Scope object that has the curr_scope pinned at the current one :returns: A new scope object

get_id (name, recurse=True)

Get the first id matching name. Will either be a local or a var.

Name TODO

Returns TODO

get_local (name, recurse=True)

Get the local field (search for it) from the scope stack. An alias for get_var

Name The name of the local field

get_meta (meta_name)

Get the current meta value named meta_name

get_type (name, recurse=True)

Get the names for the typename (created by typedef)

Name The typedef'd name to resolve

Returns An array of resolved names associated with the typedef'd name

get_var (name, recurse=True)

Return the first var of name name in the current scope stack (remember, vars are the ones that parse the input stream)

Name The name of the id

Recurse Whether parent scopes should also be searched (defaults to True)

Returns TODO

level ()

Return the current scope level

pop ()

Leave the current scope :returns: TODO

pop_meta (name)

Pop metadata about the current statement from the metadata stack for the current statement.

Name The name of the metadata

push (new_scope=None)

Create a new scope :returns: TODO

push_meta (meta_name, meta_value)

Push metadata about the current statement onto the metadata stack for the current statement. Mostly used for tracking integer promotion and casting types

pfp.interp.**StructUnionTypeRef** (curr_scope, typedef_name, refd_name, interp, node)

Create a typedef that resolves itself dynamically. This is needed in situations like:

```

struct MY_STRUCT {
    char magic[4];
    unsigned int filesize;
};
typedef struct MY_STRUCT ME;
LittleEndian();
ME s;

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The typedef ME is handled before the MY_STRUCT declaration actually occurs. The typedef value for ME should not be the empty struct that is resolved, but should be a dynamically-looked up struct definition when a ME instance is actually declared.

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`class pfpp.interp.PfpInterp(debug=False, parser=None, int3=True)`

`classmethod add_native(name, func, ret, interp=None, send_interp=False)`

Add the native python function `func` into the pfpp interpreter with the name `name` and return value `ret` so that it can be called from within a template script.

Note: The `@native` decorator exists to simplify this.

All native functions must have the signature `def func(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord [,interp])`, optionally allowing an interpreter param if `send_interp` is True.

Example:

The example below defines a function `Sum` using the `add_native` method.

```

import pfpp.fields
from pfpp.fields import PYVAL

def native_sum(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord):
    return PYVAL(params[0]) + PYVAL(params[1])

pfpp.interp.PfpInterp.add_native("Sum", native_sum, pfpp.fields.Int64)

```

Parameters

- **name** (*basestring*) – The name the function will be exposed as in the interpreter.
- **func** (*function*) – The native python function that will be referenced.
- **ret** (*type(pfpp.fields.Field)*) – The field class that the return value should be cast to.
- **interp** (`pfpp.interp.PfpInterp`) – The specific pfpp interpreter the function should be defined in.
- **send_interp** (*bool*) – If true, the current pfpp interpreter will be added as an argument to the function.

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types = interp.get_types() chunk = types.PNG_CHUNK()

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Load a template and all required predefines into this interpreter. Future calls to `parse` will not require the template to be parsed.

parse (*stream*, *template=None*, *predefines=True*, *orig_filename=None*, *keep_successful=False*, *printf=True*)

Parse the data stream using the template (e.g. parse the 010 template and interpret the template using the stream as the data source).

Stream The input data stream

Template The template to parse the stream with

Keep_successful Return whatever was successfully parsed before an error. `_pfp__error` will contain the exception (if one was raised)

Parameters **printf** (*bool*) – If `False`, printf's will be noops (default='True')

Returns Pfp Dom

set_bitfield_direction (*val*)
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 Set if the bitfield input/output stream should be padded

Val True/False

Returns None

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New_name TODO

Orig_names TODO

Returns TODO

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Field_name TODO

Field TODO

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Returns TODO

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Name The name of the id

Recurse Whether parent scopes should also be searched (defaults to True)

Returns TODO

level ()

Return the current scope level

pop ()

Leave the current scope :returns: TODO

pop_meta (*name*)

Pop metadata about the current statement from the metadata stack for the current statement.

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Create a new scope :returns: TODO

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The typedef ME is handled before the MY_STRUCT declaration actually occurs. The typedef value for ME should not be the empty struct that is resolved, but should be a dynamically-looked up struct definition when a ME instance is actually declared.

2.7 Functions

Functions in pfp can either be defined natively in python, or in the template script itself.

2.7.1 Native Functions

Two main methods exist to add native python functions to the pfp interpreter:

1. The `@native decorator`
2. The `add_native method`

Follow the links above for detailed information.

2.7.2 Interpreted Functions

Interpreted functions can be declared as you normally would in an O10 template (basically c-style syntax).

Functions are hoisted to the top of the scope they are declared in. E.g. the following script is valid:

```
HelloWorld(10);

typedef unsigned short custom_short;
void HelloWorld(custom_short arg1) {
    Printf("Hello World, %d", arg1);
}
```

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class `pfp.functions.Function (return_type, params, scope)`

A class to maintain function state and arguments

class `pfp.functions.NativeFunction (name, func, ret, send_interp=False)`

A class for native functions

class `pfp.functions.ParamClsWrapper (param_cls)`

This is a temporary wrapper around a param class that can store temporary information, such as byref values

class pfp.functions.ParamList (params)

Used for when a function is actually called. See ParamListDef for how function definitions store function parameter definitions

class pfp.functions.ParamListDef (params, coords)

docstring for ParamList

instantiate (scope, args, interp)

Create a ParamList instance for actual interpretation

Args TODO

Returns A ParamList object

pfp.native.native (name, ret, interp=None, send_interp=False)

Used as a decorator to add the decorated function to the pfp interpreter so that it can be used from within scripts.

Parameters

- **name** (str) – The name of the function as it will be exposed in template scripts.
- **ret** (pfp.fields.Field) – The return type of the function (a class)
- **interp** (pfp.interp.PfpInterp) – The specific interpreter to add the function to
- **send_interp** (bool) – If the current interpreter should be passed to the function.

Examples:

The example below defines a Sum function that will return the sum of all parameters passed to the function:

```
from pfp.fields import PYVAL

@native(name="Sum", ret=pfp.fields.Int64)
def sum_numbers(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord):
    res = 0
    for param in params:
        res += PYVAL(param)
    return res
```

The code below is the code for the `Int3` function. Notice that it requires that the interpreter be sent as a parameter:

```
@native(name="Int3", ret=pfp.fields.Void, send_interp=True)
def int3(params, ctxt, scope, stream, coord, interp):
    if interp._no_debug:
        return

    if interp._int3:
        interp.debugger = PfpDbg(interp)
        interp.debugger.cmdloop()
```

2.8 Bitstream

In order to implement the functionality that 010 editor has of treating the entire stream as a bitstream, a stream-wrapping class (`pfp.bitwrap.BitwrappedStream`) was made to allow a normal stream to tread like a limited bit stream.

This may be useful in other applications outside of pfp.

2.8.1 BitwrappedStream Reference Documentation

```
class pfp.bitwrap.BitwrappedStream(stream)
```

A stream that wraps other streams to provide bit-level access

```
close()
```

Close the stream

```
flush()
```

Flush the stream

```
is_eof()
```

Return if the stream has reached EOF or not without discarding any unflushed bits

Returns True/False

```
isatty()
```

Return if the stream is a tty

```
read(num)
```

Read *num* number of bytes from the stream. Note that this will automatically resets/ends the current bit-reading if it does not end on an even byte AND *self.padded* is True. If *self.padded* is True, then the entire stream is treated as a bitstream.

Num number of bytes to read

Returns the read bytes, or empty string if EOF has been reached

```
read_bits(num)
```

Read *num* number of bits from the stream

Num number of bits to read

Returns a list of *num* bits, or an empty list if EOF has been reached

```
seek(pos, seek_type=0)
```

Seek to the specified position in the stream with *seek_type*. Unflushed bits will be discarded in the case of a seek.

The stream will also keep track of which bytes have and have not been consumed so that the dom will capture all of the bytes in the stream.

Pos offset

Seek_type direction

Returns TODO

```
size()
```

Return the size of the stream, or -1 if it cannot be determined.

```
tell()
```

Return the current position in the stream (ignoring bit position)

Returns int for the position in the stream

```
tell_bits()
```

Return the number of bits into the stream since the last whole byte.

Returns int

```
unconsumed_ranges()
```

Return an IntervalTree of unconsumed ranges, of the format (start, end] with the end value not being included

write (*data*)

Write data to the stream

Data the data to write to the stream

Returns None

write_bits (*bits*)

Write the bits to the stream.

Add the bits to the existing unflushed bits and write complete bytes to the stream.

exception pfp.bitwrap.EOFError

pfp.bitwrap.**bits_to_bytes** (*bits*)

Convert the bit list into bytes. (Assumes bits is a list whose length is a multiple of 8)

pfp.bitwrap.**byte_to_bits** (*b*)

Convert a byte into bits

pfp.bitwrap.**bytes_to_bits** (*bytes_*)

Convert bytes to a list of bits

2.9 Differences Between 010 and pfp

This section documents the known differences between pfp and 010 editor.

2.9.1 Duplicate Arrays

TLDR: Pfp does not [yet] support non-consecutive duplicate arrays. Consecutive duplicate arrays are fully supported.

First, some definitions and back story.

Duplicate arrays are what occurs when multiple variables of the same name are declared in the same scope. E.g.:

```
int x;
int x;
if (x[0] == x[1] || x[0] == x) {
    Printf("Same!");
}
```

The 010 template script above declares *x* twice, creating a duplicate, or as pfp originally called it, an implicit array. Notice the two comparisons - they actually perform the same comparison:

```
x[0] != x[1]
```

and

```
x[0] == x
```

In 010, if the duplicate/implicit array is referenced without indexing, the most recently parsed field in the duplicate array is returned. I.e., it's treated as a normal field and not an array. However, if indexing is done on the duplicate array variable, the variable is treated as an array.

Below is a quote on duplicate arrays from the [010 Editor documentation](#):

When writing a template, regular arrays can be declaring using the same syntax as scripts (see Arrays and Strings). However, 010 Editor has a syntax that allows arrays to be built in a special way. When declaring template variables, multiple copies of the same variable can be declared. For example:

```
int x;
int y;
int x;
```

010 Editor allows you to treat the multiple declarations of the variable as an array (this is called a Duplicate Array). In this example, `x[0]` could be used to reference the first occurrence of `x` and `x[1]` could be used to reference the second occurrence of `x`. Duplicate arrays can even be defined with `for` or `while` loops. For example:

```
local int i;
for( i = 0; i < 5; i++ )
    int x;
```

This breaks down in pfp when non-consecutive arrays are created, as is done in the first code sample from the 010 Editor documentation above. [Issue #111](#) tracks the effort to add support for non-consecutive duplicate arrays.

`pfp.create_interp(template_file=None, template=None)`

Create an Interp instance with the template preloaded

Template template contents (str)

Template_file template file path

Returns Interp

`pfp.parse(data=None, template=None, data_file=None, template_file=None, interp=None, debug=False, predefines=True, int3=True, keep_successful=False, printf=True)`

Parse the data stream using the supplied template. The data stream WILL NOT be automatically closed.

Data Input data, can be either a string or a file-like object (StringIO, file, etc)

Template template contents (str)

Data_file PATH to the data to be used as the input stream

Template_file template file path

Interp the interpreter to be used (a default one will be created if None)

Debug if debug information should be printed while interpreting the template (false)

Predefines if built-in type information should be inserted (true)

Int3 if debugger breaks are allowed while interpreting the template (true)

Keep_successful return any successfully parsed data instead of raising an error. If an error occurred and `keep_successful` is True, then `_pfp__error` will be contain the exception object

Printf if False, all calls to `Printf` (`pfp.native.compat_interface.Printf`) will be noops. (default="True")

Returns pfp DOM

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