
pyqubes Documentation

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CHAPTER 1

Installation

Install with pip:

```
pip install pyqubes
```

Use

Todo

General use on AppVMs

dom0

Todo

Special use on dom0 without installation

CHAPTER 2

Examples

Todo

Examples

- pythonic
 - direct
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This API documentation is automatically generated.

Pythonic Classes

VM

The top level VM object holds common methods for VMs.

It should not be instantiated directly - use the lower level `TemplateVM` and `AppVM` objects instead.

class `pyqubes.vm.VM(name, proactive=False, operating_system='fedora-23')`

The VM object represents a QubesOS VM. Its methods are common across both `AppVMs` and `TemplateVMs`.

VM should not be instantiated directly - use `TemplateVM` or `AppVM`.

By default, all VMs are Fedora 23 based. Other values are listed in `pyqubes.constants`

animate()

Magically start and stop the VM:

```
vm = TemplateVM('foo')
# Template is not started on instantiation
with vm.animate():
    # Template is now running
    vm.update()
# VM is shut down automatically
```

enact(args)

Enact a list of command arguments using the VM's `enact_function`

Any one of the functions in `pyqubes.qubes`, `pyqubes.qubesdb` or `pyqubes.qvm` will return arguments in the correct format.

firewall (**kwargs)

Edit the VM firewall

firewall_close ()

Can be explicitly called to close the VM firewall to 'deny'.

firewall_open ()

Can be explicitly called to open the VM firewall to 'allow'.

In most cases you should use "with vm.internet".

info (info)

Echo information from pyqubes using the VM's enact method

internet ()

Magically open and close the VM firewall:

```
vm = TemplateVM('foo')
with vm.animate:
    # Templates are offline by default
    with vm.internet:
        # Template now has unrestricted internet access
        vm.run('curl http://ipecho.net/plain')
    # Firewall is restored automatically
    # This will now fail
    vm.run('curl http://ipecho.net/plain')
```

remove (**kwargs)

Remove the VM

run (command, quote=True, **kwargs)

Run a command on the VM.

Please note: * --pass-io is always set, to run commands synchronously * Commands are automatically encapsulated in single quotes:

```
vm = TemplateVM('spam')
vm.run('echo "foo bar"')
# produces: qvm-run spam 'echo "foo bar"'
```

Parameters **quote** (bool) – By default command is single quoted - set False to disable

shutdown (**kwargs)

Shutdown the

Please note: * --wait is always set, to run commands synchronously

start (**kwargs)

Start the VM explicitly.

In most cases you should use "with vm.animate()".

TemplateVM & AppVM

These represent the actual VMs within QubesOS.

Methods mentioned here are specific to the VM type.

class pyqubes.vm.**TemplateVM** (*args, **kwargs)

TemplateVM - for installing apps

clone (*clone_name*, ***kwargs*)

Clone the TemplateVM and return a new TemplateVM

Parameters **clone_name** (*string*) – Name of the new VM

Returns The new TemplateVM instance

create_app (*app_name*, ***kwargs*)

Create and return a new AppVM based on the TemplateVM.

Please note: * If `label` is not set, it will default to `red`

Parameters **app_name** (*string*) – Name of the new VM

Returns The new AppVM instance

update ()

Smartly runs the relevant package manager updates for the TemplateVM

class `pyqubes.vm.AppVM` (**args*, ***kwargs*)

AppVM - for running apps

Helper Classes

Direct command wrapping

qubes- commands

qubesdb- commands

qvm- commands

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_clone` (*vm_name*, *clone_name*, *quiet=False*, *path=''*)

`qvm-clone`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_create` (*vm_name*, *template=''*, *label=''*, *proxy=False*, *net=False*, *hvm=False*, *hvm_template=False*, *root_move_from=''*, *root_copy_from=''*, *standalone=False*, *mem=0*, *vcpus=0*, *internal=False*, *force_root=False*, *quiet=False*)

`qvm-create`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_firewall` (*vm_name*, *list_view=False*, *add_rule=''*, *del_rule=''*, *set_policy=''*, *set_icmp=''*, *set_dns=''*, *set_yum_proxy=''*, *numeric=False*)

`qvm-firewall`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_remove` (*vm_name*, *quiet=False*, *just_db=False*, *force_root=False*)

`qvm-remove`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_run` (*vm_name*, *command*, *quiet=False*, *auto=False*, *user=''*, *tray=False*, *all_vms=False*, *exclude=[]*, *wait=False*, *shutdown=False*, *pause=False*, *unpause=False*, *pass_io=False*, *localcmd=''*, *force=False*)

`qvm-run`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_shutdown` (*vm_name*, *quiet=False*, *force=False*, *wait=False*, *all_vms=False*, *exclude=[]*)

`qvm-shutdown`

`pyqubes.qvm.qvm_start` (*vm_name*, *quiet=False*, *no_guid=False*, *console=False*, *dvm=False*, *custom_config=''*)

`qvm-start`

Utilities

Compile

The `compile` module converts instructions from pythonic data structures into flat lists.`abs`

These may require further processing before being passed to the `enact` module for action.

`pyqubes.compile.flags_boolean(flags)`

Return a list of string values, corresponding to the given keys whose values evaluate to `True`

All keys and values will be converted to strings.

Parameters `flags` (*dict*) – A dictionary in the form `{'--flag': boolean}`, where `boolean` is used to determine whether `--flag` is included in the output.

Returns A flat list of strings

`pyqubes.compile.flags_store(flags)`

Return a list of string values, corresponding to the given keys and values whose values evaluate to `True`

The output is a flat list of all strings.

All keys and values will be converted to strings.

Parameters `flags` (*dict*) – A dictionary in the form `{'--flag': value}`, where `value` is used to determine whether the entry is included in the output.

Returns A flat list of strings

`pyqubes.compile.flags_store_iterable(flags)`

Calls `flags_store` for each value within each key in `flags`.

e.g. `{'--fruits': ['apple', 'pear']}` results in `['--fruits', 'apple', '--fruits', 'pear']`

Parameters `flags` (*dict*) – A dictionary in the form `{'--flag': value}`, where `value` is an iterable.

Returns A flat list of strings

Raises `TypeError` if values are not iterable

`pyqubes.compile.info(info, quote=True, style=True)`

Returns the given string `info` as a set of echo arguments.

Optionally provides quoting and terminal styling.

Parameters

- **info** (*string*) – Info string to add to script
- **quote** (*bool*) – By default quote given sting in single quotes
- **style** (*bool*) – By default add

Returns A flat list of strings

Constants

Enact

The `enact` module contains functions that act on a list of command-line arguments,

The two most important ones are: * Direct execution with `call` (proactive mode) * Echoing an execution-ready script with `echo` (reactive mode)

`pyqubes.enact.call(args, **kwargs)`

Thin wrapper for builtin `subprocess.call`

`pyqubes.enact.call_quiet(args)`

Uses the `call` function, but throws away `stdout` and `stderr`.

Should be used for internal unit tests wherever possible.

`pyqubes.enact.echo(args, file=None)`

Echo a list of arguments (as given to `subprocess.call`) to the given stream.

This defaults to `stdout`, but can be changed to any stream-like object such as a file handle.

Parameters

- **args** – A string or list of strings
- **file** – A file-like object to stream output to. Defaults to `sys.stdout`

Utils

Utility functions for pyqubes

Utilities have no dependencies.

`pyqubes.utils.assert_list_items_equal_in_nested(actual_nested, expected_list)`

Assert that the given `expected_list` matches one of the lists within `actual_nested`, using the comparison `sorted(list)`

Parameters

- **actual_nested** (*list*) – A list of lists (usually generated by test)
- **expected_list** (*list*) – A list of expected values

`pyqubes.utils.flatten_list(nested_list)`

Flatten a nested list one level.

Parameters `nested_list` (*list*) – A nested list

Return type `list`

`pyqubes.utils.object_fullname(obj)`

Returns the full absolute name of the object provided

`pyqubes.utils.object_logger(obj)`

Returns a correctly named logger for the given object.

Call as `self.logger = object_logger(self)`

Validate

Validate functions for pyqubes

These will return the original value if validation passes. Otherwise, `ValueError` will be raised

`pyqubes.validate.firewall_policy(policy)`

qvm-firewall policy string should match `^(allow|deny)$`

Parameters `policy` (*string*) – Policy string to check

Returns policy if valid, else ValueError

`pyqubes.validate.label_color(color)`

VM label color should be one of: * red * orange * yellow * green * blue * purple * black * gray

Parameters `color` (*string*) – Label color string to check

Returns color if valid, else ValueError

`pyqubes.validate.linux_hostname(hostname)`

Linux hostnames are recommended to match `^[a-zA-Z0-9-]+(\.[a-zA-Z0-9-]+)*$`

Parameters `hostname` (*string*) – Hostname to check

Returns hostname if valid, else ValueError

`pyqubes.validate.linux_username(username)`

Linux usernames are recommended to match `^[a-z_][a-z0-9_-]*\?$`

Parameters `username` (*string*) – Username to check

Returns username if valid, else ValueError

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