
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`

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`:

```
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')
```

info (*info*)

Echo information from pyqubes using the VM's enact method

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“`:

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

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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