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## Introduction

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### 1.1 Introduction to Ruruki - In-Memory Directed Property Graph

What is **Ruruki**? Well the technical meaning is “it is any **tool** used to extract snails from rocks”.

So **ruruki** is a in-memory directed property graph database **tool** used for building complicated graphs of anything.

**Ruruki** is super useful for

- Temporary lightweight graph database. Sometimes you do not want to depend on a heavy backend that requires complicated software like Java. Or you do not have root or admin access on the server you want to run the database on. With **ruruki**, you can install it in a python virtualenv and be up and running in no time.
- Proof of concept. **Ruruki** is super great for demonstrating a proof of concept with little resources, effort, and hassle.

My idea behind using a graph database is because everything is connected in some shape or form, no matter what it is. You can apply it to things like

- Linking actors -> movies -> directors.
- Linking networks, social or computer.
- Linking people to business structures, hierarchy, or responsibilities.
- Navigation.
- Mapping which snails climb over which rocks, or tools used for extraction, and so on.
- And the list goes on, and on, and on.

You just need to change your mindset on how data is linked together, represented, and related. Like Newton’s third law “*For every action there is an equal and opposite re-action*”, in terms of a graph with relationships, if one vertex/node is affected, there will be an impact on another node somewhere in the graph. For example, if the CEO is hit by a asteroid, who in the business are affected.

There are many similar projects/libraries out there that do the exact same as **ruruki**, but I decided to do my own graph library for the following reasons

- Other libraries lacked documentation.
  - GrapheekDB
  - NetworkX
  - graph-tool
  - python-graph

- Code was hard and complicated to read and follow.
  - Others are too big and complex for the job that I needed to do.
  - And lastly, I wanted to learn more about graph databases and decided writing a graph database library was the best way to wrap my head around it, and why not?
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## 1.2 Contributing

If you would like to contribute, below are some guidelines.

- PEP8 (pylint)
  - Documentation should be done on the interfaces if possible to keep it consistent.
  - Unit-tests covering 100% of the code.
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## 1.3 Versioning

Ruruki uses the [Semantic Versioning](#) scheme.

## 1.4 Summary

Given a version number MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH, increment the:

- MAJOR version when you make incompatible API changes,
  - MINOR version when you add functionality in a backwards-compatible manner, and
  - PATCH version when you make backwards-compatible bug fixes.
  - Additional labels for pre-release and build metadata are available as extensions to the MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH format.
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## 1.5 Functionality still being worked on

- Traversing algorithms.
  - Query language.
  - Extensions, for example interacting with Neo4j.
  - Persistence.
  - Channels for publishing and subscribing.
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## 1.6 Demo

To see an online demo of `ruruki-eye` follow the following link <http://www.ruruki.com>.

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## 1.7 Build and Testing Status



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## Tutorial

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Before we start the tutorial, let first address the single most important thing - If you are reading this, *You are awesome*

### 2.1 Let's begin

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**Note:** Each step in the tutorial will continue and add from the last step.

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#### 2.1.1 Installing ruruki

Lets first create an environment where we can install *ruruki* and use it.

- We will do this using a python virtual environment.

```
$ virtualenv-2.7 ruruki-ve
New python executable in ruruki-ve/bin/python2.7
Also creating executable in ruruki-ve/bin/python
Installing setuptools, pip...done.
```

- Install the graph database library into the newly created virtual environment.

```
$ ruruki-ve/bin/pip install ruruki
Collecting ruruki
  Downloading http://internal-index.com/prod/+f/2e6/c4263fb2b546a/ruruki.tar.gz
Installing collected packages: ruruki
  Running setup.py install for ruruki
Successfully installed ruruki
```

#### 2.1.2 Creating a database

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**Note:** Please keep in mind that the library is only installed into the virtual environment you created above, not your system-wide Python installation, so to use it you'll need to run the virtual environment's Python interpreter:

```
$ ruruki-ve/bin/python
```

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- Let's start with first creating the graph.

```
>>> from ruruki.graphs import Graph
>>> graph = Graph()
```

- In order to use the `IGraph.get_or_create_vertex()` and `IGraph.get_or_create_edge()` effectively we should create some constraints to ensure uniqueness.

```
# Ensure that vertices/nodes person, book, author, and category have a
# unique name property.
>>> graph.add_vertex_constraint("person", "name")
>>> graph.add_vertex_constraint("book", "name")
>>> graph.add_vertex_constraint("author", "name")
>>> graph.add_vertex_constraint("category", "name")
```

### 2.1.3 Adding in some data

Now that we have a empty graph database, lets start adding in some data.

- Create some nodes. Because we added uniqueness constraints above, we can use the `IGraph.get_or_create_vertex()` method to ensure we don't create duplicate vertices with the same details.

```
# add the categories
>>> programming = graph.get_or_create_vertex("category", name="Programming")
>>> operating_systems = graph.get_or_create_vertex("category", name="Operating Systems")

# add some books
>>> python_crash_course = graph.get_or_create_vertex("book", title="Python Crash Course")
>>> python_pocket_ref = graph.get_or_create_vertex("book", title="Python Pocket Reference")
>>> how_linux_works = graph.get_or_create_vertex("book", title="How Linux Works: What Every Superuser")
>>> linux_command_line = graph.get_or_create_vertex("book", title="The Linux Command Line: A Complete")

# add a couple authors of the books above
>>> eric_matthes = graph.get_or_create_vertex("author", fullname="Eric Matthes", name="Eric", surname="Matthes")
>>> mark_lutz = graph.get_or_create_vertex("author", fullname="Mark Lutz", name="Mark", surname="Lutz")
>>> brian_ward = graph.get_or_create_vertex("author", fullname="Brian Ward", name="Brian", surname="Ward")
>>> william = graph.get_or_create_vertex("author", fullname="William E. Shotts Jr.", name="William", surname="Shotts")

# add some random people
>>> john = graph.get_or_create_vertex("person", name="John", surname="Doe")
>>> jane = graph.get_or_create_vertex("person", name="Jane", surname="Doe")
```

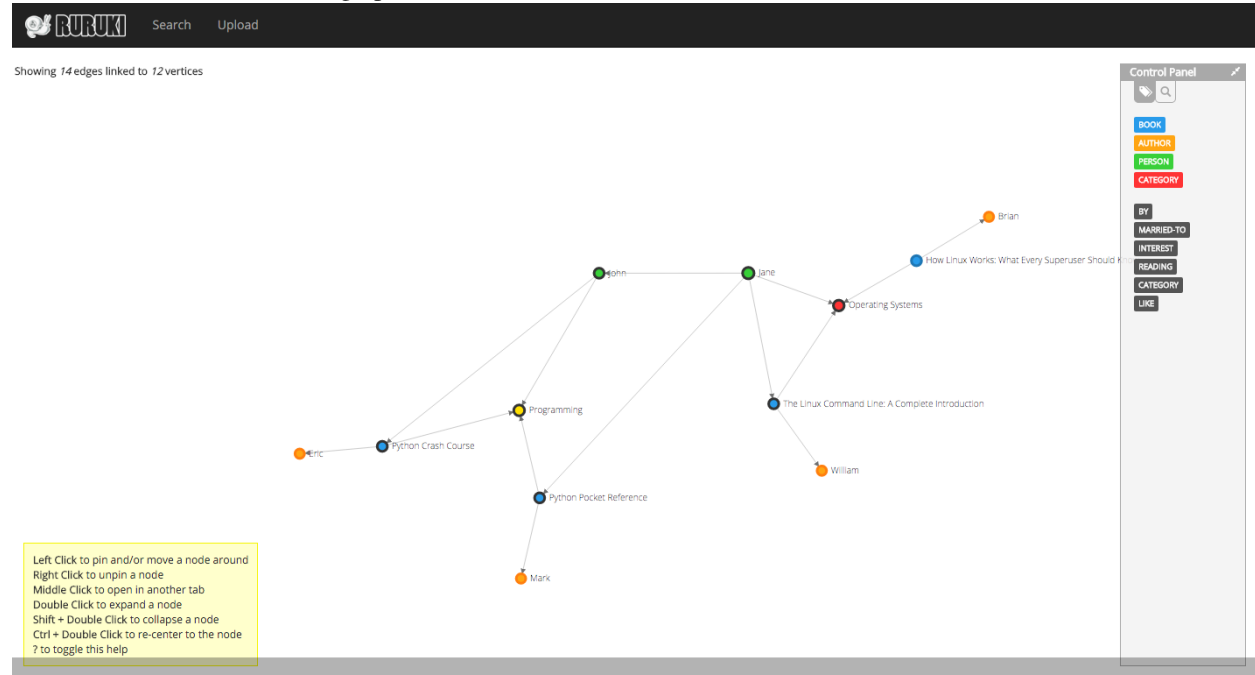
- Create a relationships between vertices created above. Again notice the use of `IGraph.get_or_create_edge()` to ensure uniqueness between the head and tails for the particular edge labels being created.

```
# link the books to a category
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(python_crash_course, "CATEGORY", programming)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(python_pocket_ref, "CATEGORY", programming)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(linux_command_line, "CATEGORY", operating_systems)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(how_linux_works, "CATEGORY", operating_systems)

# link the books to their authors
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(python_crash_course, "BY", eric_matthes)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(python_pocket_ref, "BY", mark_lutz)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(how_linux_works, "BY", brian_ward)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(linux_command_line, "BY", william)
```

```
# Create some arbitrary data between John and Jane Doe.
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(john, "READING", python_crash_course)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(john, "INTEREST", programming)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(jane, "LIKE", operating_systems)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(jane, "MARRIED-TO", john)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(jane, "READING", linux_command_line)
>>> graph.get_or_create_edge(jane, "READING", python_pocket_ref)
```

Below is a visualization of the graph so far



## 2.1.4 Searching for information

Let's start searching and looking for data.

**Note:** The examples below only demonstrate filtering and searching on vertices, but the same operations can be applied to edges too.

- Find all people.

```
>>> print graph.get_vertices("person").all()
[<Vertex> ident: 10, label: person, properties: {'surname': 'Doe', 'name': 'John'},
 <Vertex> ident: 11, label: person, properties: {'surname': 'Doe', 'name': 'Jane'}]
```

- Finding all help and reference books.

```
>>> result = graph.get_vertices("book", name__contains="Reference") | graph.get_vertices("book", title__contains="Reference")
>>> print result.all()
[<Vertex> ident: 4, label: book, properties: {'name': 'Python Pocket Reference', 'title': 'Python Pocket Reference'},
 <Vertex> ident: 2, label: book, properties: {'name': 'Python Crash Course', 'title': 'Python Crash Course'}]
```

- Finding all python books excluding crash course books.

```
>>> result = graph.get_vertices("book", name__contains="Python") - graph.get_vertices("book", title__contains="Python")
>>> print result.all()
[<Vertex> ident: 4, label: book, properties: {'name': 'Python Pocket Reference', 'title': 'Python Po
```

- If you already know that identity number

```
>>> print repr(graph.get_vertex(0))
<Vertex> ident: 0, label: category, properties: {'name': 'Programming'}
```

## 2.1.5 Dumping and loading data

Ruruki is an in-memory database, so all the data goes away when your program exits. However, Ruruki provides `dump()` and `load()` methods that will let you record a graph to disk and load it again later.

- Dumping your graph so that you can use it later.

```
>>> graph.dump(open("/tmp/graph.dump", "w"))
```

- Loading a dump file.

```
>>> graph.load(open("/tmp/graph.dump"))
```

## 2.1.6 Tutorial demo script

The above demo script can be found under `ruruki/test_utils/tutorial_books_demo.py`

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## Interfaces

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### 3.1 Graph

**class** `ruruki.interfaces.IGraph`

Interface for a property graph database.

**add\_edge** (*head*, *label*, *tail*, **\*\*kwargs**)

Add an directed edge to the graph.

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**Note:** If you wish to add in a undirected edge, you should add a directed edge in each direction.

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#### Parameters

- **head** (*IVertex*) – Head vertex.
- **label** (*str*) – Edge label.
- **tail** (*IVertex*) – Tail vertex.
- **kwargs** (*str*, *value*.) – Property key and values to set on the new created edge.

**Raises** **ConstraintViolation** – Raised if you are trying to create a duplicate edge between head and tail.

**Returns** Added edge.

**Return type** *IEdge*

**add\_vertex** (*label=None*, **\*\*kwargs**)

Create a new vertex, add it to the graph, and return the newly created vertex.

#### Parameters

- **label** (*str* or *None*) – Vertex label.
- **kwargs** (*str*, *value*.) – Property key and values to set on the new created vertex.

**Returns** Added vertex.

**Return type** *IVertex*

**add\_vertex\_constraint** (*label*, *key*)

Add a constraint to ensure uniqueness for a particular label and property key.

#### Parameters

- **label** (`str`) – Vertex label which the constraint is meant for.
- **key** (`str`) – Vertex property key used to ensure uniqueness.

**bind\_to\_graph** (*entity*)

Bind an entity to the graph and generate and set a unique id on the entity.

**Parameters** *entity* (*IEntity*) – Entity that you are binding to the graph.

**Raises** **UnknownEntityError** – Is raised if the entity is not a instance if a *IVertex* or *IEdge*.

**close** ()

Close the instance.

**dump** (*file\_handler*)

Export the database to a file handler.

**Parameters**

- **file\_handler** – A writable file-like object; a description of this graph will be written to this file encoded as JSON data that can be read back later with *load* ().
- **file\_handler** – file

**get\_edge** (*id\_num*)

Return the edge referenced by the provided object identifier.

**Parameters** *id\_num* (`int`) – Edge identity number.

**Returns** Added edge.

**Return type** *IEdge*

**get\_edges** (*head=None, label=None, tail=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return an iterable of all the edges in the graph that have a particular key/value property.

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**Note:** See *IEntitySet.filter()* for filtering options.

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**Parameters**

- **head** (*IVertex*) – Head vertex of the edge. If *None* then heads will be ignored.
- **label** (`str` or *None*) – Edge label. If *None* then all edges will be checked for key and value.
- **tail** (*IVertex*) – Tail vertex of the edge. If *None* then tails will be ignored.
- **kwargs** (`str` and `value.`) – Property key and value.

**Returns** *IEdge* that matched the filter criteria.

**Return type** *IEntitySet*

**get\_or\_create\_edge** (*head, label, tail, \*\*kwargs*)

Get or create a unique directed edge.

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**Note:** If you wish to add in a unique undirected edge, you should add a directed edge in each direction.

If head or tail is a tuple, then *get\_or\_create\_vertex()* will always be called to create the vertex.

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**Parameters**

- **head** (*IVertex* or tuple of label `str` and properties `dict`) – Head vertex.
- **label** (`str`) – Edge label.
- **tail** (*IVertex* or tuple of label `str` and properties `dict`) – Tail vertex.
- **kwargs** (`str`, `value`.) – Property key and values to set on the new created edge.

**Returns** Added edge.

**Return type** *IEdge*

**get\_or\_create\_vertex** (*label=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Get or create a unique vertex.

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**Note:** Constraints will always be applied first when searching for vertices.

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**Parameters**

- **label** (`str` or `None`) – Vertex label.
- **kwargs** (`str`, `value`.) – Property key and values to set on the new created vertex.

**Returns** Added vertex.

**Return type** *IVertex*

**get\_vertex** (*id\_num*)

Return the vertex referenced by the provided object identifier.

**Parameters** **id\_num** (`int`) – Vertex identity number.

**Returns** Vertex that has the identity number.

**Return type** *IVertex*

**get\_vertex\_constraints** ()

Return all the known vertex constraints.

**Returns** Distinct label and key pairs to *add\_vertex\_constraint()*.

**Return type** Iterable of tuple of label `str`, key `str`

**get\_vertices** (*label=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Return all the vertices in the graph that have a particular key/value property.

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**Note:** See *IEntitySet.filter()* for filtering options.

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**Parameters**

- **label** – Vertice label. If `None` then all vertices will be checked for key and value.
- **label** – `str` or `None`
- **kwargs** (`str` and `value`.) – Property key and value.

**Returns** *IVertex* that matched the filter criteria.

**Return type** *IEntitySet*

**load** (*file\_handler*)

Load and import data into the database. Data should be in a JSON format.

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**Note:** Id's are not retained and are regenerated. This allows you to load multiple dumps into the same graph.

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#### Parameters

- **file\_handler** – A file-like object that, when read, produces JSON data describing a graph. The JSON data should be compatible with that produced by `dump()`.
- **file\_handler** – file

**remove\_edge** (*edge*)

Remove the provided edge from the graph.

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**Note:** Removing a edge does **not** remove the head or tail vertices, but only the edge between them.

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**Parameters** **edge** (*IEdge*) – Remove a edge/relationship.

**remove\_vertex** (*vertex*)

Remove the provided vertex from the graph.

**Parameters** **vertex** (*IVertex*) – Remove a vertex/node.

**Raises** **VertexBoundByEdges** – Raised if you are trying to remove a vertex that is still bound or attached to another vertex via edge.

**set\_property** (*entity*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Set or update the entities property key and values.

**Parameters** **kwargs** (*str*, *value*.) – Property key and values to set on the new created vertex.

#### Raises

- **ConstraintViolation** – A constraint violation is raised when you are updating the properties of a entity and you already have a entity with the constrained property value.
- **UnknownEntityError** – If you are trying to update a property on a *IEntity* that is not known in the database.
- **TypeError** – If the entity that you are trying to update is not supported by the database. Property updates only support *Ivertex* and *IEdge*.

## 3.2 Base Entity

**class** `ruruki.interfaces.IEntity`

Base interface for a vertex/node and edge/relationship.

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**Note:** Identity numbers are `None` by default. They are set by the `bind_to_graph()` when they are bound to the a graph. If using *IEntity* and *IEntitySet* without a bound graph, you will need to manually set the `ident` yourself.

`IDGenerator` can help you with assigning id's to vertices and edges.

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**as\_dict** ()

Return the entity as a dictionary representation.

**Returns** The entity as a dictionary representation.

**Return type** dict

**is\_bound** ()

Return True if the entity is bound to a graph.

**Returns** True is the entity is bound to a *IGraph*

**Return type** bool

**remove\_property** (*key*)

Un-assigns a property key with its value.

**Parameters** **key** (str) – Key that you are removing.

**set\_property** (\*\**kwargs*)

Assign or update a property.

**Parameters** **kwargs** (key str and value.) – Key and value pairs.

### 3.3 Vertex

**class** ruruki.interfaces.**IVertex**

Interface for a vertex/node.

**add\_in\_edge** (*vertex*, *label=None*, \*\**kwargs*)

Add and create an incoming edge between the two vertices.

**Parameters**

- **vertex** (*IVertex*) – Edge the vertex is attached to.
- **label** (str) – Label for the edge being created.
- **kwargs** (str and value) – Key and values for the edges properties.

**add\_out\_edge** (*vertex*, *label=None*, \*\**kwargs*)

Add and create an outgoing edge between the two vertices.

**Parameters**

- **vertex** (*IVertex*) – Edge the vertex is attached to.
- **label** (str) – Label for the edge being created.
- **kwargs** (key str and value.) – Edges property key and value pairs.

**as\_dict** ()

Return the entity as a dictionary representation.

**Returns** The entity as a dictionary representation.

**Return type** dict

**get\_both\_edges** (*label=None*, \*\**kwargs*)

Return both in and out edges to the vertex.

**Parameters**

- **label** (*str*) – Edge label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Edge property key and value pairs.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

Return type *IEntitySet*

**get\_both\_vertices** (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return the *in* and *out* vertices adjacent to the vertex according to the edges.

Parameters

- **label** (*str*) – Vertices label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Vertices property key and value pair.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

Return type *IEntitySet*

**get\_in\_edges** (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return all the *in* edges to the vertex.

Parameters

- **label** (*str*) – Edge label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Edges property key and value pairs.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

Return type *IEntitySet*

**get\_in\_vertices** (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return the *in* vertices adjacent to the vertex according to the edge.

Parameters

- **label** (*str*) – Vertices label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Vertices property key and value pairs.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

Return type *IEntitySet*

**get\_out\_edges** (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return all the *out* edges to the vertex.

Parameters

- **label** (*str*) – Edge label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Edge property key and value pairs.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

Return type *IEntitySet*

**get\_out\_vertices** (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Return the *out* vertices adjacent to the vertex according to the edge.

Parameters

- **label** (*str*) – Vertices label. If *None*, all edges will be returned.
- **kwargs** (key *str* and value.) – Vertices property key and value pairs.

Returns New *IEntitySet* with filtered entities.

**Return type** *IEntitySet*

**in\_edge\_count** ()

Return the total number of in edges.

**Returns** Total number of in edges.

**Return type** `int`

**is\_bound** ()

Return True if the entity is bound to a graph.

**Returns** True is the entity is bound to a *IGraph*

**Return type** `bool`

**out\_edge\_count** ()

Return the total number of out edges.

**Returns** Total number of out edges.

**Return type** `int`

**remove\_edge** (*edge*)

Remove a *IEdge* from the vertex if it exists.

**Parameters** **edge** (*IEdge*) – Edge that you are removing from the vertex.

**Raises** **KeyError** – KeyError is raised if you are trying to remove an edge that is not found or does not exist.

**remove\_property** (*key*)

Un-assigns a property key with its value.

**Parameters** **key** (`str`) – Key that you are removing.

**set\_property** (\*\**kwargs*)

Assign or update a property.

**Parameters** **kwargs** (key `str` and value.) – Key and value pairs.

## 3.4 Edge

**class** `ruruki.interfaces.IEdge`

Interface for a edge/relationship.

**as\_dict** ()

Return the entity as a dictionary representation.

**Returns** The entity as a dictionary representation.

**Return type** `dict`

**get\_in\_vertex** ()

Return the in/head vertex.

**Returns** In vertex.

**Return type** *IVertex*

**get\_out\_vertex** ()

Return the out/tail vertex.

**Returns** Out vertex.

**Return type** *IVertex*

**is\_bound()**

Return True if the entity is bound to a graph.

**Returns** True is the entity is bound to a *IGraph*

**Return type** bool

**remove\_property(key)**

Un-assigns a property key with its value.

**Parameters** **key** (str) – Key that you are removing.

**set\_property(\*\*kwargs)**

Assign or update a property.

**Parameters** **kwargs** (key str and value.) – Key and value pairs.

## 3.5 Entity Set

**class** ruruki.interfaces.**IEntitySet**

Interface for a entity containers.

**add(entity)**

Add a unique entity to the set.

**Parameters** **entity** (*IEntity*) – Unique entity being added to the set.

**Raises** **KeyError** – KeyError is raised if the entity being added to the set has a `ident` conflict with an existing *IEntity*

**all(label=None, \*\*kwargs)**

Return all the items in the container as a list.

**Parameters**

- **label** (str) – Filter for entities that have a particular label. If None, all entities are returned.
- **kwargs** (key=value) – Property key and value.

**Returns** All the items in the container.

**Return type** list containing *IEntity*

**clear()**

This is slow (creates N new iterators!) but effective.

**discard(entity)**

Remove a entity from the current set.

**Parameters** **entity** (*IEntity*) – Entity to be removed from the set.

**Raises** **KeyError** – KeyError is raised if the entity being discarded does not exists in the set.

**filter(label=None, \*\*kwargs)**

Filter for all entities that match the given label and properties returning a new *IEntitySet*

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**Note:** Keywords should be made of a property name (as passed to the `add_vertex()` or `add_edge()` methods) followed by one of these suffixes, to control how the given value is matched against the *IEntity*'s values for that property.

- `__contains`
- `__icontains`
- `__startswith`
- `__istartswith`
- `__endswith`
- `__iendswith`
- `__le`
- `__lt`
- `__ge`
- `__gt`
- `__eq`
- `__ieq`
- `__ne`
- `__ine`

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#### Parameters

- **label** (`str`) – Filter for entities that have a particular label. If `None`, all entities are returned.
- **kwargs** (`key=value`) – Property key and value.

**Returns** New `IEntitySet` with the entities that matched the filter criteria.

**Return type** `IEntitySet`

#### `get` (*ident*)

Return the `IEntity` that has the identification number supplied by parameter *ident*

**Parameters** **ident** (`int`) – Identification number.

**Raises** **KeyError** – Raised if there are no `IEntity` that has the given identification number supplied by parameter *ident*.

**Returns** The `IEntity` that has the identification number supplied by parameter *ident*

**Return type** Iterable of `str`

#### `get_indexes` ()

Return all the index labels and properties.

**Returns** All the index label and property keys.

**Return type** Iterable of `tuple` of `str`, `str`

#### `get_labels` ()

Return labels known to the entity set.

**Returns** All the the labels known to the entity set.

**Return type** Iterable of `str`

#### `isdisjoint` (*other*)

Return True if two sets have a null intersection.

**pop()**

Return the popped value. Raise `KeyError` if empty.

**remove(entity)**

Like `discard()`, remove an entity from the current set.

**Parameters** `entity` (`IEntity`) – Entity to be removed from the set.

**Raises** `KeyError` – `KeyError` is raised if the entity being removed does not exist in the set.

**sorted(key=None, reverse=False)**

Sort and return all items in the container.

**Parameters**

- **key** (`callable`) – Key specifies a function of one argument that is used to extract a comparison key from each list element. The default is to compare the elements directly.
- **reverse** (`bool`) – If set to `True`, then the list elements are sorted as if each comparison were reverted.

**Returns** All the items in the container.

**Return type** `list` containing `IEntity`

**update\_index(entity, \*\*kwargs)**

Update the index with the new property keys.

**Parameters**

- **entity** (`IEntity`) – Entity with a set of properties that need to be indexed.
- **kwargs** (`str, value.`) – Property key and values to set on the new created vertex.

## 3.6 Locks

**class** `ruruki.interfaces.ILock`

Interface for locking.

**acquire()**

Acquire a lock.

**Raises** `AcquireError` – If a lock failed to be acquired.

**release()**

Release the lock.

**Raises** `ReleaseError` – If the lock was unable to be released.



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## Implementations

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### 4.1 Graphs

**class** `ruruki.graphs.Graph`

In-memory graph database.

See *IGraph* for doco.

**class** `ruruki.graphs.PersistentGraph` (*path*, *auto\_create=True*)

Persistent Graph database storing data to a file system.

See *IGraph* for doco.

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**Note:** Verices and Edges ID's are retained when the path is loaded.

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**Warning:** Use this persistent graph if performance is not important. There is a performance hit due to the extra disk I/O overhead when doing many writing/updating operations.

```

path
  |__ vertices
  |   |__ constraints.json (file)
  |   |__ label
  |   |   |__ 0
  |   |       |__ properties.json (file)
  |   |       |__ in-edges
  |   |           |__ 0 -> ../../../../edges/label/0 (symlink)
  |   |           |__ out-edges
  |   |               |__
  |   |               |__
  |   |__ label
  |   |   |__ 1
  |   |       |__ properties.json (file)
  |   |       |__ in-edges
  |   |           |__
  |   |           |__
  |   |       |__ out-edges
  |   |           |__ 0 -> ../../../../edges/label/0 (symlink)
  |   |           |__
  |   |           |__
  |__ edges
  |   |__ label
  |       |__
  |           |__ 0

```

```
|_ properties.json (file)
|_ head
|   |_ 0 -> ../../../../vertices/0 (symlink)
|_ tail
    |_ 1 -> ../../../../vertices/1 (symlink)
```

### Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – Path to ruruki graph data on disk.
- **auto\_create** (*bool*) – If True, then missing `vertices` or `edges` directories will be created.

**Raises** `DatabasePathLocked` – If the path is already locked by another persistence graph instance.

## 4.2 Entities

**class** `ruruki.entities.EntitySet` (*entities=None*)  
EntitySet used for storing, filtering, and iterating over `IEntity` objects.

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**Note:** See `IEntitySet` for documentation.

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**Parameters** `entities` (Iterable of `IEntity`) – Entities being added to the set.

**clear** ()  
This is slow (creates N new iterators!) but effective.

**discard** (*entity*)  
Remove a entity from the current set.

**Parameters** `entity` (`IEntity`) – Entity to be removed from the set.

**Raises** `KeyError` – `KeyError` is raised if the entity being discarded does not exists in the set.

**isdisjoint** (*other*)  
Return True if two sets have a null intersection.

**pop** ()  
Return the popped value. Raise `KeyError` if empty.

**class** `ruruki.entities.Entity` (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)  
Base class for containing the common methods used for the other entities like vertices and edges.

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**Note:** See `IEntity` for doco.

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### Parameters

- **label** – `IEntity` label.
- **kwargs** (`str` `=value or `:class:` `dict) – Additional properties for the `IEntity`.

**class** `ruruki.entities.Vertex` (*label=None, \*\*kwargs*)  
 Vertex/Node is the representation of an entity. It can be anything and contains properties for additional information.

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**Note:** See *IVertex* for doco.

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#### Parameters

- **label** – *IEntity* label.
- **kwargs** (`str`=value or `:class:`=dict) – Additional properties for the *IEntity*.

**class** `ruruki.entities.PersistentVertex` (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
 Persistent Vertex behaves exactly the same as a *Vertex* but has an additional path attribute which is the disk location.

**class** `ruruki.entities.Edge` (*head, label, tail, \*\*kwargs*)  
 Edge/Relationship is the representation of a relationship between two entities. An edge has properties for additional information.

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**Note:** See *IEdge* for doco.

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#### Parameters

- **head** (*IVertex*) – Head *IVertex* of the edge.
- **label** – *IEntity* label.
- **tail** (*IVertex*) – Tail *IVertex* of the edge.
- **kwargs** (`str`=value or `:class:`=dict) – Additional properties for the *IEntity*.

**class** `ruruki.entities.PersistentEdge` (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
 Persistent Edge behaves exactly the same as a *Edge* but has an additional path attribute which is the disk location.

## 4.3 Locks

**class** `ruruki.locks.Lock`  
 Base locking class.

See *ILock* for doco.

#### locked

Return the status of the lock.

**Returns** True if the lock is acquired.

**Return type** `bool`

**class** `ruruki.locks.FileLock` (*filename*)  
 File based locking.

**Parameters** **filename** (`str`) – Filename to create a lock on.

**locked**

Return the status of the lock.

**Returns** True if the lock is acquired.

**Return type** bool

**class** ruruki.locks.**DirectoryLock** (*path*)

Directory based locking.

**Parameters** *path* (str) – Path that you are locking.

**locked**

Return the status of the lock.

**Returns** True if the lock is acquired.

**Return type** bool

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