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# **pyfarm.agent Documentation**

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This package contains PyFarm's agent and job types which are responsible for the execution of tasks allocated to a host by the master.

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## Commands

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**Note:** The default values provided are based on the configuration at the time this page was generated. They may not be the same defaults you will see.

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### 1.1 Standard Commands

#### 1.1.1 pyfarm-agent

usage: pyfarm-agent [status|start|stop]

positional arguments:

|                     |                                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| {start,stop,status} | individual operations pyfarm-agent can run |
| start               | starts the agent                           |
| stop                | stops the agent                            |
| status              | query the 'running' state of the agent     |

optional arguments:

|            |                                 |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| -h, --help | show this help message and exit |
|------------|---------------------------------|

Agent Network Service:

Main flags which control the network services running on the agent.

|                                         |                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| --port PORT                             | The port number which the agent is either running on or will run on when started. This port is also reported the master when an agent starts. [default: None]          |
| --host HOST                             | The host to communicate with or hostname to present to the master when starting. Defaults to the fully qualified hostname.                                             |
| --agent-api-username AGENT_API_USERNAME | The username required to access or manipulate the agent using REST. [default: agent]                                                                                   |
| --agent-api-password AGENT_API_PASSWORD | The password required to access manipulate the agent using REST. [default: agent]                                                                                      |
| --agent-id AGENT_ID                     | The UUID used to identify this agent to the master. By default the agent will attempt to load a cached value however a specific UUID could be provided with this flag. |

`--agent-id-file AGENT_ID_FILE`  
The location to store the agent's id. By default the path is platform specific and defined by the 'agent\_id\_file\_platform\_defaults' key in the configuration. [default: /etc/pyfarm/agent/uuid.dat]

#### Network Resources:

Resources which the agent will be communicating with.

`--master MASTER` This is a convenience flag which will allow you to set the hostname for the master. By default this value will be substituted in `--master-api`

`--master-api MASTER_API`  
The location where the master's REST api is located. [default: None]

`--master-api-version MASTER_API_VERSION`  
Sets the version of the master's REST api the agent should use [default: None]

#### Process Control:

These settings apply to the parent process of the agent and contribute to allowing the process to run as other users or remain isolated in an environment. They also assist in maintaining the 'running state' via a process id file.

`--pidfile PIDFILE` The file to store the process id in. [default: None]  
`-n, --no-daemon` If provided then do not run the process in the background.

`--chdir CHDIR` The working directory to change the agent into upon launch

`--uid UID` The user id to run the agent as. \*This setting is ignored on Windows.\*

`--gid GID` The group id to run the agent as. \*This setting is ignored on Windows.\*

`--pdb-on-unhandled` When set `pdb.set_trace()` will be called if an unhandled error is caught in the logger

pyfarm-agent is a command line client for working with a local agent. You can use it to stop, start, and report the general status of a running agent process.

usage: pyfarm-agent [status|start|stop] status [-h]

#### optional arguments:

`-h, --help` show this help message and exit

usage: pyfarm-agent [status|start|stop] start [-h] [--state STATE] [--time-offset TIME\_OFFSET] [--ntp-server NTP\_SERVER] [--ntp-server-version NTP\_SERVER\_VERSION] [--no-pretty-json] [--shutdown-timeout SHUTDOWN\_TIMEOUT] [--updates-drop-dir UPDATES\_DROP\_DIR] [--run-control-file RUN\_CONTROL\_FILE] [--cpus CPUS] [--ram RAM] [--ram-check-interval RAM\_CHECK\_INTERVAL] [--ram-max-report-frequency RAM\_MAX\_REPORT\_FREQUENCY] [--ram-report-delta RAM\_REPORT\_DELTA]

```
[--master-reannounce MASTER_REANNOUNCE]
[--log LOG]
[--capture-process-output]
[--task-log-dir TASK_LOG_DIR]
[--ip-remote IP_REMOTE]
[--enable-manhole]
[--manhole-port MANHOLE_PORT]
[--manhole-username MANHOLE_USERNAME]
[--manhole-password MANHOLE_PASSWORD]
[--html-templates-reload]
[--static-files STATIC_FILES]
[--http-retry-delay-offset HTTP_RETRY_DELAY_OFFSET]
[--http-retry-delay-factor HTTP_RETRY_DELAY_FACTOR]
[--jobtype-no-cache]
```

optional arguments:

-h, --help show this help message and exit

General Configuration:

These flags configure parts of the agent related to hardware, state, and certain timing and scheduling attributes.

```
--state STATE          The current agent state, valid values are ['disabled',
                        'offline', 'running', 'online']. [default: online]
--time-offset TIME_OFFSET
                        If provided then don't talk to the NTP server at all
                        to calculate the time offset. If you know for a fact
                        that this host's time is always up to date then
                        setting this to 0 is probably a safe bet.
--ntp-server NTP_SERVER
                        The default network time server this agent should
                        query to retrieve the real time. This will be used to
                        help determine the agent's clock skew if any. Setting
                        this value to '' will effectively disable this query.
                        [default: None]
--ntp-server-version NTP_SERVER_VERSION
                        The version of the NTP server in case it's running an
                        older or newer version. [default: None]
--no-pretty-json        If provided do not dump human readable json via the
                        agent's REST api
--shutdown-timeout SHUTDOWN_TIMEOUT
                        How many seconds the agent should spend attempting to
                        inform the master that it's shutting down.
--updates-drop-dir UPDATES_DROP_DIR
                        The directory to drop downloaded updates in. This
                        should be the same directory pyfarm-supervisor will
                        look for updates in. [default: None]
--run-control-file RUN_CONTROL_FILE
                        The path to a file that will signal to the supervisor
                        that agent is supposed to be restarted if it stops for
                        whatever reason. [default:
                        /tmp/pyfarm/agent/should_be_running]
```

Physical Hardware:

Command line flags which describe the hardware of the agent.

```
--cpus CPUS            The total amount of cpus installed on the system.
                        Defaults to the number of cpus installed on the
```

system.  
--ram RAM                   The total amount of ram installed on the system in megabytes. Defaults to the amount of ram the system has installed.

#### Interval Controls:

Controls which dictate when certain internal intervals should occur.

--ram-check-interval RAM\_CHECK\_INTERVAL  
How often ram resources should be checked for changes. The amount of memory currently being consumed on the system is checked after certain events occur such as a process but this flag specifically controls how often we should check when no such events are occurring. [default: None]  
--ram-max-report-frequency RAM\_MAX\_REPORT\_FREQUENCY  
This is a limiter that prevents the agent from reporting memory changes to the master more often than a specific time interval. This is done in order to ensure that when 100s of events fire in a short period of time cause changes in ram usage only one or two will be reported to the master. [default: None]  
--ram-report-delta RAM\_REPORT\_DELTA  
Only report a change in ram if the value has changed at least this many megabytes. [default: None]  
--master-reannounce MASTER\_REANNOUNCE  
Controls how often the agent should reannounce itself to the master. The agent may be in contact with the master more often than this however during long period of inactivity this is how often the agent will 'inform' the master the agent is still online.

#### Logging Options:

Settings which control logging of the agent's parent process and/or any subprocess it runs.

--log LOG                   If provided log all output from the agent to this path. This will append to any existing log data. [default: None]  
--capture-process-output  
If provided then all log output from each process launched by the agent will be sent through agent's loggers.  
--task-log-dir TASK\_LOG\_DIR  
The directory tasks should log to.

#### Network Service:

Controls how the agent is seen or interacted with by external services such as the master.

--ip-remote IP\_REMOTE  
The remote IPv4 address to report. In situation where the agent is behind a firewall this value will typically be different.

#### Manhole Service:

Controls the manhole service which allows a telnet connection to be made directly into the agent as it's running.

```
--enable-manhole      When provided the manhole service will be started once
                      the reactor is running.
--manhole-port MANHOLE_PORT
                      The port the manhole service should run on if enabled.
--manhole-username MANHOLE_USERNAME
                      The telnet username that's allowed to connect to the
                      manhole service running on the agent.
--manhole-password MANHOLE_PASSWORD
                      The telnet password to use when connecting to the
                      manhole service running on the agent.
```

#### HTTP Configuration:

Options for how the agent will interact with the master's REST api and how it should run it's own REST api.

```
--html-templates-reload
                      If provided then force Jinja2, the html template
                      system, to check the file system for changes with
                      every request. This flag should not be used in
                      production but is useful for development and debugging
                      purposes.
--static-files STATIC_FILES
                      The default location where the agent's http server
                      should find static files to serve.
--http-retry-delay-offset HTTP_RETRY_DELAY_OFFSET
                      If a http request to the master has failed, wait at
                      least this amount of time before resending the
                      request.
--http-retry-delay-factor HTTP_RETRY_DELAY_FACTOR
                      The value provided here is used in combination with
                      --http-retry-delay-offset to calculate the retry
                      delay. This is used as a multiplier against random()
                      before being added to the offset.
```

#### Job Types:

```
--jobtype-no-cache    If provided then do not cache job types, always
                      directly retrieve them. This is beneficial if you're
                      testing the agent or a new job type class.
```

usage: pyfarm-agent [status|start|stop] stop [-h] [--no-wait]

#### optional arguments:

```
-h, --help  show this help message and exit
```

#### optional flags:

Flags that control how the agent is stopped

```
--no-wait  If provided then don't wait on the agent to shut itself down. By
           default we would want to wait on each task to stop so we can
           catch any errors and then finally wait on the agent to shutdown
           too. If you're in a hurry or stopping a bunch of agents at once
           then setting this flag will let the agent continue to stop
           itself without waiting for each agent
```

```
usage: pyfarm-supervisor [-h] [--updates-drop-dir UPDATES_DROP_DIR]
                        [--agent-package-dir AGENT_PACKAGE_DIR]
                        [--pidfile PIDFILE] [-n] [--chdir CHDIR] [--uid UID]
                        [--gid GID]
```

Start and monitor the agent process

optional arguments:

|                                                    |                                                                              |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-h, --help</code>                            | show this help message and exit                                              |
| <code>--updates-drop-dir UPDATES_DROP_DIR</code>   | Where to look for agent updates                                              |
| <code>--agent-package-dir AGENT_PACKAGE_DIR</code> | Path to the actual agent code                                                |
| <code>--pidfile PIDFILE</code>                     | The file to store the process id in. [default: None]                         |
| <code>-n, --no-daemon</code>                       | If provided then do not run the process in the background.                   |
| <code>--chdir CHDIR</code>                         | The directory to chdir to upon launch.                                       |
| <code>--uid UID</code>                             | The user id to run the supervisor as. *This setting is ignored on Windows.*  |
| <code>--gid GID</code>                             | The group id to run the supervisor as. *This setting is ignored on Windows.* |

## 1.2 Development Commands

### 1.2.1 pyfarm-dev-fakerender

usage: `pyfarm-dev-fakerender [-h] [--ram RAM] [--duration DURATION] [--return-code RETURN_CODE] [--duration-jitter DURATION_JITTER] [--ram-jitter RAM_JITTER] -s START [-e END] [-b BY] [--spew] [--segfault]`

Very basic command line tool which vaguely simulates a render.

optional arguments:

|                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-h, --help</code>                        | show this help message and exit                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <code>--ram RAM</code>                         | How much ram in megabytes the fake command should consume                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>--duration DURATION</code>               | How many seconds it should take to run this command                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>--return-code RETURN_CODE</code>         | The return code to return, declaring this flag multiple times will result in a random return code. [default: [0]]                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <code>--duration-jitter DURATION_JITTER</code> | Randomly add or subtract this amount to the total duration                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>--ram-jitter RAM_JITTER</code>           | Randomly add or subtract this amount to the ram                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <code>-s START, --start START</code>           | The start frame. If no other flags are provided this will also be the end frame.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <code>-e END, --end END</code>                 | The end frame                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <code>-b BY, --by BY</code>                    | The by frame                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <code>--spew</code>                            | Spews lots of random output to stdout which is generally a decent stress test for log processing issues. Do note however that this will disable the code which is consuming extra CPU cycles. Also, use this option with care as it can generate several gigabytes of data per frame. |

`--segfault` If provided then there's a 25% chance of causing a segmentation fault.

## 1.2.2 pyfarm-dev-fakework

```
usage: pyfarm-dev-fakework [-h] [--master-api MASTER_API]
                           [--agent-api AGENT_API] [--jobtype JOBTYP]
                           [--job JOB]
```

Quick and dirty script to create a job type, a job, and some tasks which are then posted directly to the agent. The primary purpose of this script is to test the internal of the job types

optional arguments:

```
-h, --help            show this help message and exit
--master-api MASTER_API
                        The url to the master's api [default:
                        http://127.0.0.1/api/v1]
--agent-api AGENT_API
                        The url to the agent's api [default:
                        http://127.0.0.1:50000/api/v1]
--jobtype JOBTYP      The job type to use [default: FakeRender]
--job JOB              If provided then this will be the job we pull tasks
                        from and assign to the agent. Please note we'll only
                        be pulling tasks that aren't running or assigned.
```



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## Environment Variables

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PyFarm's agent has several environment variables which can be used to change the operation at runtime. For more information see the individual sections below.

### **PYFARM\_JOBTYPE\_ALLOW\_CODE\_EXECUTION\_IN\_MODULE\_ROOT**

If `True`, then function calls in the root of a job types's source code will result in an error when the work is assigned. By default, this value is set to `True`.

### **PYFARM\_JOBTYPE\_SUBCLASSES\_BASE\_CLASS**

If `True` then job types which do not subclass from `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype.JobType` will raise an exception when work is assigned. By default, this value is set to `True`.



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## Configuration Files

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Below are the configuration files for this subproject. These files are installed along side the source code when the package is installed. These are only the defaults however, you can always override these values in your own environment. See the [Configuration](#) object documentation for more detailed information.

### 3.1 Agent

The below is the current configuration file for the agent. This file lives at `pyfarm/agent/etc/agent.yml` in the source tree.

```

1  # The platform specific locations where the agent uuid
2  # file is default. This can be overridden with --agent-id-file flag.
3  agent_id_file_platform_defaults:
4      linux: /etc/pyfarm/agent/uuid.dat
5      mac: /Library/pyfarm/agent/uuid.dat
6      bsd: /etc/pyfarm/agent/uuid.dat
7      windows: $LOCALAPPDATA/pyfarm/agent/uuid.dat
8
9  # The platform specific locations where the run control file is looked for
10 run_control_file_by_platform:
11     linux: /tmp/pyfarm/agent/should_be_running
12     mac: /tmp/pyfarm/agent/should_be_running
13     bsd: /tmp/pyfarm/agent/should_be_running
14     windows: $TEMP/pyfarm/agent/should_be_running
15
16 # The default location to store data. $temp will expand to
17 # whatever pyfarm's data root is plus the application
18 # name (agent). For example on Linux this would expand to
19 # /tmp/pyfarm/agent
20 agent_data_root: $temp
21
22 # Defines the number of seconds between iterations of pyfarm-supervisor's
23 # agent status check.
24 supervisor_interval: 5
25
26 # The location where the agent should change directories
27 # into upon starting. If this value is not set then no
28 # changes will be made.
29 agent_chdir:
30
31 # The location where static web files should be served from. This

```

```
32 # will default to using PyFarm's installation root.
33 agent_static_root: auto
34
35 # The default location where lock files should be stored. By
36 # default these will be stored alone side other data
37 # inside the 'agent_data_root' value above.
38 lock_file_root: $agent_data_root/lock
39
40 # Locations of specific lock files
41 agent_lock_file: $lock_file_root/agent.pid
42 supervisor_lock_file: $lock_file_root/supervisor.pid
43
44 # Where user data for the agent is stored. ~ will be expanded
45 # to the current users's home directory.
46 agent_user_data: ~/.pyfarm/agent
47
48 # The default location where the agent should save logs to. This
49 # includes both logs from processes and the agent log itself.
50 agent_logs_root: $agent_data_root/logs
51
52 # The location where agent updates should be stored.
53 agent_updates_dir: $agent_data_root/updates
54
55 # The default port which the agent should use to serve the
56 # REST api.
57 agent_api_port: 50000
58
59 # The location where the the agent should save its own
60 # logging output to.
61 agent_log: $agent_logs_root/agent.log
62 supervisor_log: $agent_logs_root/supervisor.log
63
64 # The user agent the master will use when connecting to the agent's
65 # REST api. This value should only be changed if the master's code
66 # is updated with a new user agent. Change this value has not effect
67 # on the master.
68 master_user_agent: PyFarm/1.0 (master)
69
70 # Configuration values which control how the url
71 # for the master is constructed. If 'master' is not set
72 # the --master flag will be required to start the agent.
73 master:
74 master_api_version: 1
75 master_api: http://$master/api/v$master_api_version
76
77 # The user agent the master uses to talke to the agent's
78 # REST api. This value should not be modified unless
79 # there's a specific reason to do so.
80 master_user_agent: PyFarm/1.0 (master)
81
82 # Controls how often the agent should reannounce itself
83 # to the master. The agent may be in contact with the master
84 # more often than this however during long period of
85 # inactivity this is how often the agent will 'inform' the
86 # master the agent is still online.
87 agent_master_reannounce: 120
88
89 # How many seconds the agent should spend attempting to inform
```

```

90  # the master that it's shutting down.
91  agent_shutdown_timeout: 15
92
93  # Number of seconds to offset from zero when calculating the
94  # http retry delay.
95  agent_http_retry_delay_offset: 1
96
97  # If an http request fails, use this as the base value
98  # to help determine how long we should wait before retrying. This
99  # value is then used to calculate the final delay:
100  #   agent_http_retry_delay_offset + (random() * agent_http_retry_delay_factor)
101  agent_http_retry_delay_factor: 5
102
103  # Controls if the http client connection should be persistent or
104  # not. Generally this should always be True because the connection
105  # self-terminates after a short period of time anyway. For higher
106  # latency situations or with larger deployments this value should
107  # be False.
108  agent_http_persistent_connections: True
109
110  # If True then html templates will be reloaded with
111  # every request instead of cached.
112  agent_html_template_reload: False
113
114  # If True then reformat json output to be more human
115  # readable.
116  agent_pretty_json: True
117
118  # How often the agent should check for changes in ram. This value
119  # is used to ensure ram usage is checked at least this often though
120  # it may be checked more often due to other events (such as jobs
121  # running)
122  agent_ram_check_interval: 30
123
124  # If the ram has changed this may megabytes since the last
125  # check then report the change to the master.
126  agent_ram_report_delta: 100
127
128  # How much the agent should wait, in seconds, between
129  # each report about a change in ram.
130  agent_ram_max_report_frequency: 10
131
132  # The default network time server and version the agent
133  # should use to calculate its clock skew.
134  agent_ntp_server: pool.ntp.org
135  agent_ntp_server_version: 2
136
137  # The amount of time this agent is offset from what
138  # would be considered correct based on an atomic
139  # clock. If this value is set to auto the time will
140  # be calculated using NTP.
141  agent_time_offset: auto
142
143  # Physical and network information about the host the agent
144  # is running on. Setting these values to 'auto' will cause
145  # them to be initialized to the system's current
146  # configuration values.
147  agent_ram: auto

```

```
148 agent_cpus: auto
149 agent_hostname: auto
150
151 # When True this will enable a telnet connection
152 # to the agent which will present a Python interpreter
153 # upon connection. This is mainly used for debugging
154 # and direct manipulation of the agent. You can use
155 # the show() function once connected to see what
156 # objects are available.
157 agent_manhole: False
158 agent_manhole_port: 50001
159 agent_manhole_username: admin
160 agent_manhole_password: admin
161
162 # NOTE: The following values are used by the unittests and should be
163 # generally ignored for anything other than development.
164 agent_unittest:
165     dns_test_hostname: example.com
166     client_redirect_target: http://example.com
167     client_api_test_url_https: https://httpbin.pyfarm.net
168     client_api_test_url_http: http://httpbin.pyfarm.net
169
170 # A list of paths or names where the 'lspci' command can
171 # be called from on Linux. This is used to retrieve information
172 # about graphics cards installed on the system in
173 # 'pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.graphics.graphics_cards'.
174 # If you need run the command with sudo you may also specify an entry
175 # like this:
176 # - sudo lspci
177 sysinfo_command_lspci:
178     - lspci
179     - /bin/lspci
180     - /sbin/lspci
181     - /usr/sbin/lspci
182     - /usr/bin/lspci
```

## 3.2 Job Types

The below is the current configuration file for job types. This file lives at `pyfarm/jobtypes/etc/jobtypes.yml` in the source tree.

```
1 # When set to True caching of job types will be enabled. When set to
2 # False caching is disabled and every job type will be retrieved from
3 # the master directly.
4 jobtype_enable_cache: True
5
6 # If True then output from all processes will be sent directly to
7 # the agent's logger(s) instead of to the log file associated
8 # with each process.
9 jobtype_capture_process_output: False
10
11 # The location where tasks should be logged
12 jobtype_task_logs: $agent_logs_root/tasks
13
14 # The filename to an individual log file. This filename supports several
15 # internal variables:
```

```

16 #
17 #   $YEAR - The current year
18 #   $MONTH - The current month
19 #   $DAY - The current day
20 #   $HOUR - The current hour
21 #   $MINUTE - The current hour
22 #   $JOB - The id of the job this log is for
23 #   $PROCESS - The uuid of the process object responsible for creating the log
24 #
25 # In addition to the above you can, as with any configuration variable,
26 # also use environment variables in the filename.
27 # Path separators ("/" and "\") are not allowed.
28 jobtype_task_log_filename:
29     $YEAR-$MONTH-$DAY_$HOUR-$MINUTE-$SECOND_$JOB_$PROCESS.csv
30
31 # store cached source code from the master. Note
32 # that $temp will be expanded to the local system's
33 # temp directory. If this directory does not exist
34 # it will be created. Leaving this value blank will
35 # disable job type caching.
36 jobtype_cache_directory: $temp/jobtype_cache
37
38 # The root directory that the default implementation of JobType.tempdir()
39 # will create a path using tempfile.mkdtemp.
40 jobtype_tempdir_root: $temp/tempdir/$JOBTYPE_UUID
41
42 # If True then expand environment variables in file paths.
43 jobtype_expandvars: True
44
45 # If True, then ignore any errors produced when trying
46 # to map users and groups to IDs. This will cause the
47 # underlying methods in the job type to instead run
48 # as the job type's owner instead, ignoring what the
49 # incoming job requests.
50 # NOTE: This value is not used on Windows.
51 jobtype_ignore_id_mapping_errors: False
52
53 # Any additional key/value pairs to include
54 # in the environment of a process launched
55 # by a job type.
56 jobtype_default_environment: {}
57
58
59 # Configures the thread pool used by job types
60 # for logging.
61 jobtype_logging_threadpool:
62     # Setting this value to something smaller than '1' will result
63     # in an exception being raised. This value also cannot be larger
64     # than 'max_threads' below.
65     min_threads: 3
66
67     # This value must be greater than or equal to 'min_threads'
68     # above. You may also set this value to 'auto' meaning the
69     # number of processors times 1.5 or 20 (whichever is lower).
70     max_threads: auto
71
72     # As log messages are sent from processes they are stored
73     # in an in memory queue. When the number of messages is higher

```

```
74  # than this number a thread will be spawned to consume the
75  # data and flush it into a file object.
76  max_queue_size: 10
77
78  # Most often the operating system will control how often data
79  # is written to disk from a file object. This value overrides
80  # that behavior and forces the file object to flush to disk
81  # after this many messages have been processed.
82  flush_lines: 100
```

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## pyfarm.agent package

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### 4.1 Subpackages

#### 4.1.1 pyfarm.agent.entrypoints package

##### Submodules

##### pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.development module

**Development** Contains entry points which constructs the command line tools used for development such as `pyfarm-dev-fakerender` and `pyfarm-dev-fakework`.

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.development.fake_render()`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.development.fake_work()`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.development.random()`  $\rightarrow x$  in the interval  $[0, 1)$ .

##### pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.main module

**Main** The main module which constructs the entrypoint for the `pyfarm-agent` command line tool.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.main.AgentEntryPoint`

Bases: `object`

Main object for parsing command line options

**agent\_api**

**start()**

**stop()**

**status()**

##### pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser module

**Parser** Module which forms the basis of a custom `argparse` based command line parser which handles setting configuration values automatically.

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.assert_parser(func)`

ensures that the instance argument passed along to the validation function contains data we expect

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.ip(*args, **kwargs)`  
make sure the ip address provided is valid

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.port(*args, **kwargs)`  
convert and check to make sure the provided port is valid

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.uuid_type(*args, **kwargs)`  
validates that a string is a valid UUID type

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.uidgid(*args, **kwargs)`  
Retrieves and validates the user or group id for a command line flag

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.direxists(*args, **kwargs)`  
checks to make sure the directory exists

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.fileexists(*args, **kwargs)`  
checks to make sure the provided file exists

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.number(*args, **kwargs)`  
convert the given value to a number

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.enum(*args, **kwargs)`  
ensures that value is a valid entry in enum

**class** `pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.ActionMixin(*args, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `object`

A mixin which overrides the `__init__` and `__call__` methods on an action so we can:

- Setup attributes to manipulate the config object when the arguments are parsed
- Ensure we all required arguments are present
- Convert the `type` keyword into an internal representation so we don't require as much work when we add arguments to the parser

**TYPE\_MAPPING** = {<function isdir at 0x7f1b80b400c8>: <function direxists at 0x7f1b794bdc08>, <function isfile at 0x7f1b794bdc08>}

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.mix_action(class_)`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.StoreAction`  
alias of `_StoreAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.SubParsersAction`  
alias of `_SubParsersAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.StoreConstAction`  
alias of `_StoreConstAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.StoreTrueAction`  
alias of `_StoreTrueAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.StoreFalseAction`  
alias of `_StoreFalseAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.AppendAction`  
alias of `_AppendAction`

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.AppendConstAction`  
alias of `_AppendConstAction`

**class** `pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.AgentArgumentParser(*args, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `argparse.ArgumentParser`

A modified `ArgumentParser` which interfaces with the agent's configuration.

## pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.supervisor module

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.supervisor.supervisor()`

## pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.utility module

**Utility** Small objects and functions which facilitate operations on the main entry point class.

`pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.utility.start_daemon_posix(log, chdir, uid, gid)`

Runs the agent process via a double fork. This basically a duplicate of Marcechal's original code with some adjustments:

[http://www.jejik.com/articles/2007/02/a\\_simple\\_unix\\_linux\\_daemon\\_in\\_python/](http://www.jejik.com/articles/2007/02/a_simple_unix_linux_daemon_in_python/)

Source files from his post are here: <http://www.jejik.com/files/examples/daemon.py>  
<http://www.jejik.com/files/examples/daemon3x.py>

## Module contents

### Entry Points

This module contains several subpackages which serve as the basis for the command line tools for the agent.

## 4.1.2 pyfarm.agent.http package

### Subpackages

#### pyfarm.agent.http.api package

#### Submodules

#### pyfarm.agent.http.api.assign module

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.assign.Assign(agent)
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

    SCHEMAS = {'POST': <voluptuous.Schema object at 0x7f1b78e7bf90>}

    post (**kwargs)
```

#### pyfarm.agent.http.api.base module

**Base** Contains the base resources used for building up the root of the agent's api.

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.core.resource.Resource

    Base class for all api resources

    isLeaf = True

    CONTENT_TYPES = set(['application/json'])
```

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIRoot
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

class pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.Versions
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    Returns a list of api versions which this agent will support

    GET /api/v1/versions/ HTTP/1.1
    Request

    GET /api/v1/versions/HTTP/1.1
    Accept: application/json

    Response

    HTTP/1.1 200 OK
    Content-Type: application/json

    {
        "versions": [1]
    }

    isLeaf = True

    get (**kwargs)
```

#### pyfarm.agent.http.api.config module

**Config** Contains the endpoint for viewing and working with the configuration on the agent.

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.config.Config
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

    get (**kwargs)
```

#### pyfarm.agent.http.api.state module

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.state.Stop
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

    SCHEMAS = {'POST': <voluptuous.Schema object at 0x7f1b78a680d0>}

    post (**kwargs)

class pyfarm.agent.http.api.state.Restart
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

    post (**kwargs)

class pyfarm.agent.http.api.state.Status
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    isLeaf = False

    get (**_)
```

**pyfarm.agent.http.api.tasklogs module**

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.tasklogs.TaskLogs
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    get (**kwargs)
        Get the contents of the specified task log
```

**pyfarm.agent.http.api.tasks module**

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.tasks.Tasks
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    get (**kwargs)

    delete (**kwargs)
        HTTP endpoint for stopping and deleting an individual task from this agent. ... warning:: If the specified task is part of a multi-task assignment, all tasks in this assignment will be stopped, not just the specified one.

        This will try to asynchronously stop the assignment by killing all its child processes. If that isn't successful, this will have no effect.
```

**pyfarm.agent.http.api.update module**

**Update Endpoint** This endpoint is used to instruct the agent to download and apply an update.

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.api.update.Update
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.api.base.APIResource

    Requests the agent to download and apply the specified version of itself. Will make the agent restart at the next opportunity.

    POST /api/v1/update HTTP/1.1
        Request

        POST /api/v1/update HTTP/1.1
        Accept: application/json

        {
            "version": 1.2.3
        }

        Response

        HTTP/1.1 200 ACCEPTED
        Content-Type: application/json

    SCHEMAS = {'POST': <voluptuous.Schema object at 0x7f1b78965190>}

    isLeaf = False

    post (**kwargs)
```

**Module contents**

**API** This package contains the components that form the agent's api. The objects contained in this section act as an interface layer between an incoming http request and the agent's internals.

## pyfarm.agent.http.core package

### Submodules

#### pyfarm.agent.http.core.client module

**HTTP Client** The client library the manager uses to communicate with the master server.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.HTTPLog`

Bases: `object`

Provides a wrapper around the http logger so requests and responses can be logged in a standardized fashion.

**static** `queue (method, url, uid=None)`

Logs the request we're asking treq to queue

**static** `response (response, uid=None)`

Logs the return code of a request that treq completed

**static** `error (failure, uid=None, method=None, url=None)`

Called when the treq request experiences an error and calls the `errback` method.

`pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.build_url (url, params=None)`

Builds the full url when provided the base url and some url parameters:

```
>>> build_url("/foobar", {"first": "foo", "second": "bar"})
'/foobar?first=foo&second=bar'
>>> build_url("/foobar bar/")
''/foobar%20bar/'
```

#### Parameters

- **url** (*str*) – The url to build off of.
- **params** (*dict*) – A dictionary of parameters that should be added on to `url`. If this value is not provided `url` will be returned by itself. Arguments to a url are unordered by default however they will be sorted alphabetically so the results are repeatable from call to call.

`pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.http_retry_delay (offset=None, factor=None, rand=None)`

Returns a floating point value that can be used to delay an http request. The main purpose of this is to ensure that not all requests are run with the same interval between them.

The basic formula for the retry delay is:

```
offset * (random() * factor)
```

#### Parameters

- **factor** (*int or float*) – The factor to multiply the output from `random()` by.  
This defaults to the `agent_http_retry_delay_factor` configuration variable.
- **offset** – The initial offset to start the calculation at.  
This defaults to the `agent_http_retry_delay_offset` configuration variable.
- **rand** – A callable to determine randomness, defaulting to `random()`. This is mainly used for testing purposes.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.Request`

Bases: `pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.Request`

Contains all the information used to perform a request such as the `method`, `url`, and original keyword arguments (`kwargs`). These values contain the basic information necessary in order to `retry()` a request.

**retry** (*\*\*kwargs*)

When called this will rerun the original request with all of the original arguments to `request()`

**Parameters** `kwargs` – Additional keyword arguments which should override the original keyword argument(s).

**class** `pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.Response` (*deferred, response, request*)

Bases: `twisted.internet.protocol.Protocol`

This class receives the incoming response body from a request constructs some convenience methods and attributes around the data.

**Parameters**

- **deferred** (*Deferred*) – The deferred object which contains the target callback and errback.
- **response** – The initial response object which will be passed along to the target deferred.
- **request** (*Request*) – Named tuple object containing the method name, url, headers, and data.

**data** ()

Returns the data currently contained in the buffer.

**Raises** **RuntimeError** Raised if this method is called before all data has been received.

**json** (*loader=<function loads at 0x7f1b7d475488>*)

Returns the json data from the incoming request

**Raises**

- **RuntimeError** – Raised if this method is called before all data has been received.
- **ValueError** – Raised if the content type for this request is not application/json.

**dataReceived** (*data*)

Overrides `Protocol.dataReceived()` and appends data to `_body`.

**connectionLost** (*reason=<twisted.python.failure.Failure <class 'twisted.internet.error.ConnectionDone'>>*)

Overrides `Protocol.connectionLost()` and sets the `_done` when complete. When called with `ResponseDone` for reason this method will call the callback on `_deferred`

`pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.request` (*method, url, \*\*kwargs*)

Wrapper around `treq.request()` with some added arguments and validation.

**Parameters**

- **method** (*str*) – The HTTP method to use when making the request.
- **url** (*str*) – The url this request will be made to.
- **data** (*str, list, tuple, set, dict*) – The data to send along with some types of requests such as POST or PUT
- **headers** (*dict*) – The headers to send along with the request to `url`. Currently only single values per header are supported.
- **callback** (*function*) – The function to deliver an instance of `Response` once we receive and unpack a response.

- **errback** (*function*) – The function to deliver an error message to. By default this will use `log.err()`.
- **response\_class** (*class*) – The class to use to unpack the internal response. This is mainly used by the unittests but could be used elsewhere to add some custom behavior to the unpack process for the incoming response.

**Raises** **NotImplementedError** Raised whenever a request is made of this function that we can't implement such as an invalid http scheme, request method or a problem constructing data to an api.

`pyfarm.agent.http.core.client.random()` → x in the interval [0, 1).

### pyfarm.agent.http.core.resource module

**Resource** Base resources which can be used to build top leve documents, pages, or other types of data for the web.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.http.core.resource.Resource`

Bases: `twisted.web.resource.Resource`

Basic subclass of `_Resource` for passing requests to specific methods. Unlike `_Resource` however this will also handle:

- rewriting of request objects
- templating
- content type discovery and validation
- unpacking of request data
- rerouting of request to specific internal methods

**TEMPLATE** = `NotImplemented`

**CONTENT\_TYPES** = `set(['application/json', 'text/html'])`

**LOAD\_DATA\_FOR\_METHODS** = `set(['PUT', 'POST'])`

**SCHEMAS** = `{}`

**template**

Loads the template provided but the partial path in **TEMPLATE** on the class.

**methods**

A set containing all the methods this resource implements.

**content\_types** (*request*, *default=None*)

Returns the content type(s) present in the request

**putChild** (*path*, *child*)

Overrides the builtin `putChild()` so we can return the results for each call and use them externally

**error** (*request*, *code*, *message*)

Writes the proper out an error response message depending on the content type in the request

**render** (*request*)

### pyfarm.agent.http.core.server module

**HTTP Server** HTTP server responsible for serving requests that control or query the running agent. This file produces a service that the `pyfarm.agent.manager.service.ManagerServiceMaker` class can consume on start.

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.core.server.RewriteRequest(*args, **kw)
    Bases: twisted.web.server.Request

    A custom implementation of _Request that will allow us to modify an incoming request before it reaches the
    HTTP server.

    REPLACE_REPEATED_DELIMITER = <_sre.SRE_Pattern object at 0x7f1b7890c390>

    requestReceived (command, path, version)
        Override the built in _Request.requestReceived() so we can rewrite portions of the request, such
        as the url, before it's passed along to the internal server.

    write (data)
        Override the built in _Request.write() so that any data that's not a string will be dumped to json
        using dumps()

class pyfarm.agent.http.core.server.Site(resource, *args, **kwargs)
    Bases: twisted.web.server.Site

    Site object similar to Twisted's except it also carries along some of the internal agent data.

    displayTracebacks = True

    requestFactory
        alias of RewriteRequest

class pyfarm.agent.http.core.server.StaticPath(*args, **kwargs)
    Bases: twisted.web.static.File

    More secure version of File that does not list directories. In addition this will also sending along a response
    header asking clients to cache to data.

    EXPIRES = 604800

    ALLOW_DIRECTORY_LISTING = False

    render (request)
        Overrides File.render() and sets the expires header

    directoryListing ()
        Override which ensures directories cannot be listed
```

## pyfarm.agent.http.core.template module

**Template** Interface methods for working with the Jinja template engine.

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.core.template.InMemoryCache
    Bases: jinja2.bccache.BytecodeCache

    Caches Jinja templates into memory after they have been loaded and compiled.

    cache = {}

    clear ()

    load_bytecode (bucket)

    dump_bytecode (bucket)
```

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.core.template.DeferredTemplate
    Bases: jinja2.environment.Template

    Overrides the default PackageLoader so we can produced the rendered result as a deferred call.

    render (*args, **kwargs)

class pyfarm.agent.http.core.template.Environment (**kwargs)
    Bases: jinja2.environment.Environment

    Implementation of Jinja's _Environment class which reads from our configuration object and establishes the
    default functions we can use in a template.

    template_class
        alias of DeferredTemplate

class pyfarm.agent.http.core.template.Loader
    Bases: object

    Namespace class used to simply keep track of the global environment and load templates.

    >>> from pyfarm.agent.http.core import template
    >>> template.load("index.html")

    environment = None

    classmethod load (name)
```

## Module contents

**Core** This module contains the core libraries necessary for working with HTTP requests and responses.

## Submodules

### pyfarm.agent.http.system module

pyfarm.agent.http.system.mb (value)

pyfarm.agent.http.system.seconds (value)

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.system.Index
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.core.resource.Resource

    serves request for the root, '/', target

    TEMPLATE = 'index.html'

    get (**kwargs)
```

```
class pyfarm.agent.http.system.Configuration
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.http.core.resource.Resource

    TEMPLATE = 'configuration.html'

    HIDDEN_FIELDS = ('agent', 'agent_pretty_json')

    EDITABLE_FIELDS = ('agent_cpus', 'agent_hostname', 'master_api', 'master', 'agent_ram_check_interval', 'agent_ram')

    get (**kwargs)
```

## Module contents

### HTTP Components

This sub-module contains all the code necessary to interact via HTTP from both a client and a server perspective.

### 4.1.3 pyfarm.agent.sysinfo package

#### Submodules

##### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu module

**CPU** Contains information about the cpu and its relation to the operating system such as load, processing times, etc.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.cpu_name()`

Returns the full name of the CPU installed in the system.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.total_cpus(logical=True)`

Returns the total number of cpus installed on the system.

**Parameters** `logical (bool)` – If True the return the number of cores the system has. Setting this value to False will instead return the number of physical cpus present on the system.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.load(interval=1)`

Returns the load across all cpus value from zero to one. A value of 1.0 means the average load across all cpus is 100%.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.user_time()`

Returns the amount of time spent by the cpu in user space

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.system_time()`

Returns the amount of time spent by the cpu in system space

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.idle_time()`

Returns the amount of time spent by the cpu in idle space

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.cpu.iowait()`

Returns the amount of time spent by the cpu waiting on io

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**Note:** on platforms other than linux this will return None

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##### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.graphics module

**Graphics** Contains information about the installed graphics cards

**exception** `pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.graphics.GPULookupError(value)`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.graphics.graphics_cards()`

Returns a list of the full names of GPUs installed in this system

### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory module

**Memory** Provides information about memory including swap usage, system memory usage, and general capacity information.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory.used_ram()`

Amount of physical memory currently in use by applications

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory.free_ram()`

Amount of physical memory free for application use

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory.total_ram()`

Total physical memory installed on the system

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory.process_memory()`

Total amount of memory in use by this process

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.memory.total_consumption()`

Total amount of memory consumed by this process and any child process spawned by the parent process. This includes any grandchild processes.

### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.network module

**Network** Returns information about the network including ip address, dns, data sent/received, and some error information.

**const IP\_PRIVATE** set of private class A, B, and C network ranges

See also:

**RFC 1918**

**const IP\_NONNETWORK** set of non-network address ranges including all of the above constants except the IP\_PRIVATE

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.network.mac_addresses(long_addresses=False, as_integers=False)`

Returns a tuple of all mac addresses on the system.

#### Parameters

- **long\_addresses** (*bool*) – Some adapters will specify a mac address which is longer than the standard value of six pairs. Setting this value to True will allow these to be displayed.
- **as\_integers** (*bool*) – When True convert all mac addresses to integers.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.network.hostname(trust_name_from_ips=True)`

Returns the hostname which the agent should send to the master.

**Parameters** **trust\_resolved\_name** (*bool*) – If True and all addresses provided by `addresses()` resolve to a single hostname then just return that name as it's the most likely hostname to be accessible by the rest of the network.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.network.addresses(private_only=True)`

Returns a tuple of all non-local ip addresses.

`pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.network.interfaces()`

Returns the names of all valid network interface names

### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system module

**System** Information about the operating system including type, filesystem information, and other relevant information. This module may also contain os specific information such as the Linux distribution, Windows version, bitness, etc.

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.filesystem_is_case_sensitive()
```

returns True if the file system is case sensitive

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.environment_is_case_sensitive()
```

returns True if the environment is case sensitive

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.machine_architecture (arch='x86_64')
```

returns the architecture of the host itself

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.interpreter_architecture()
```

returns the architecture of the interpreter itself (32 or 64)

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.uptime()
```

Returns the amount of time the system has been running in seconds.

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.system.operating_system (plat='linux2')
```

Returns the operating system for the given platform. Please note that while you can call this function directly you're more likely better off using values in `pyfarm.core.enums` instead.

### pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.user module

**User** Returns information about the current user such as the user name, admin access, or other related information.

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.user.username()
```

Returns the current user name using the most native api we can import. On Linux for example this will use the `pwd` module but on Windows we try to use `win32api`.

```
pyfarm.agent.sysinfo.user.is_administrator()
```

Return True if the current user is root (Linux) or running as an Administrator (Windows).

## Module contents

Top level module which provides information about the operating system, system memory, network, and processor related information

## 4.2 Submodules

### 4.2.1 pyfarm.agent.config module

#### Configuration

Central module for storing and working with a live configuration objects. This module instances `ConfigurationWithCallbacks` onto `config`. Attempting to reload this module will not reinstantiate the `config` object.

The `config` object should be directly imported from this module to be used:

```
>>> from pyfarm.agent.config import config
```

```
class pyfarm.agent.config.LoggingConfiguration (data=None, environment=None,
                                              load=True)
```

Bases: `pyfarm.core.config.Configuration`

Special configuration object which logs when a key is changed in a dictionary. If the reactor is not running then log messages will be queued until they can be emitted so they are not lost.

**`__expandvars`** (*value*)

Performs variable expansion for *value*. This method is run when a string value is returned from `get()` or `__getitem__()`. The default behavior of this method is to recursively expand variables using sources in the following order:

- The environment, `os.environ`
- The environment (from the configuration), `env`
- Other values in the configuration
- ~ to the user's home directory

For example, the following configuration:

```
foo: foo
bar: bar
foobar: $foo/$bar
path: ~/$foobar/$TEST
```

Would result in the following assuming `$TEST` is an environment variable set to `somevalue` and the current user's name is `user`:

```
{
    "foo": "foo",
    "bar": "bar",
    "foobar": "foo/bar",
    "path": "/home/user/foo/bar/somevalue"
}
```

**`MODIFIED`** = 'modified'

**`CREATED`** = 'created'

**`DELETED`** = 'deleted'

**`pop`** (*key*, \**args*)

Deletes the provided key and triggers a delete event using `changed()`.

**`clear`** ()

Deletes all keys in this object and triggers a delete event using `changed()` for each one.

**`update`** (*data*=None, \*\**kwargs*)

Updates the data held within this object and triggers the appropriate events with `changed()`.

**`changed`** (*change\_type*, *key*, *new\_value*=<object object at 0x7f1b80ace480>, *old\_value*=<object object at 0x7f1b80ace480>)

This method is run whenever one of the keys in this object changes.

**`master_contacted`** (*update*=True, *announcement*=False)

Simple method that will update the `last_master_contact` and then return the result.

**Parameters** `update` (*bool*) – Setting this value to False will just return the current value instead of updating the value too.

```
class pyfarm.agent.config.ConfigurationWithCallbacks (data=None, environment=None,
                                                    load=True)
```

Bases: `pyfarm.agent.config.LoggingConfiguration`

Subclass of `LoggingDictionary` that provides the ability to run a function when a value is changed.

**callbacks** = {}

**classmethod register\_callback** (*key*, *callback*, *append=False*)

Register a function as a callback for *key*. When *key* is set the given *callback* will be run by `changed()`

#### Parameters

- **key** (*string*) – the key which when changed in any way will execute *callback*
- **callback** (*callable*) – the function or method to register
- **append** (*boolean*) – by default attempting to register a callback which has already been registered will do nothing, setting this to `True` overrides this behavior.

**classmethod deregister\_callback** (*key*, *callback*)

Removes any callback(s) that are registered with the provided *key*

**clear** (*callbacks=False*)

Performs the same operations as `dict.clear()` except this method can also clear any registered callbacks if requested.

**changed** (*change\_type*, *key*, *new\_value*=<object object at 0x7f1b80ace480>, *old\_value*=<object object at 0x7f1b80ace480>)

This method is called internally whenever a given *key* changes which in turn will pass off the change to any registered callback(s).

## 4.2.2 pyfarm.agent.manhole module

### Manhole

Provides a way to access the internals of the agent via the telnet protocol.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.manhole.LoggingManhole` (*namespace=None*)

Bases: `twisted.conch.manhole.ColoredManhole`

A slightly modified implementation of `ColoredManhole` which logs information to the logger so we can track activity in the agent's log.

**connectionMade** ()

**connectionLost** (*reason*)

**lineReceived** (*line*)

**class** `pyfarm.agent.manhole.TransportProtocolFactory` (*portal*)

Bases: `object`

Glues together a portal along with the `TelnetTransport` and `AuthenticatingTelnetProtocol` objects. This class is instantiated onto the `protocol` attribute of the `ServerFactory` class in `build_manhole()`.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.manhole.TelnetRealm`

Bases: `object`

Wraps together `ITelnetProtocol`, `TelnetBootstrapProtocol`, `ServerProtocol` and `ColoredManhole` in `requestAvatar()` which will provide the interface to the manhole.

**NAMESPACE** = `None`

**requestAvatar** (\_, *\*interfaces*)

`pyfarm.agent.manhole.show` (*x=<object object at 0x7f1b80ace480>*)

Display the data attributes of an object in a readable format

`pyfarm.agent.manhole.manhole_factory` (*namespace, username, password*)

Produces a factory object which can be used to listen for telnet connections to the manhole.

## 4.2.3 pyfarm.agent.service module

### Manager Service

Sends and receives information from the master and performs systems level tasks such as log reading, system information gathering, and management of processes.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.service.Agent`

Bases: `object`

Main class associated with getting the internals of the agent's operations up and running including adding or updating itself with the master, starting the periodic task manager, and handling shutdown conditions.

**classmethod** `agent_api()`

Return the API url for this agent or None if *agent\_id* has not been set

**classmethod** `agents_endpoint()`

Returns the API endpoint for used for updating or creating agents on the master

**shutting\_down**

**repeating\_call** (*delay, function, function\_args=None, function\_kwargs=None, now=True, repeat\_max=None, function\_id=None*)

Causes *function* to be called repeatedly up until *repeat\_max* or until stopped.

#### Parameters

- **delay** (*int*) – Number of seconds to delay between calls of *function*.

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**Note:** *delay* is an approximate interval between when one call ends and the next one begins. The exact time can vary due to how the Twisted reactor runs, how long it takes *function* to run and what else may be going on in the agent at the time.

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- **function** – A callable function to run
- **function\_args** (*tuple, list*) – Arguments to pass into *function*
- **function\_kwargs** (*dict*) – Keywords to pass into *function*
- **now** (*bool*) – If True then run *function* right now in addition to scheduling it.
- **repeat\_max** (*int*) – Repeat calling *function* this many times. If not provided then we'll continue to repeat calling *function* until the agent shuts down.
- **function\_id** (*uuid.UUID*) – Used internally to track a function's execution count. This keyword exists so if you call `repeating_call()` multiple times on the same function or method it will handle *repeat\_max* properly.

**should\_reannounce** ()

Small method which acts as a trigger for `reannounce()`

**reannounce** (*force=False*)

Method which is used to periodically contact the master. This method is generally called as part of a scheduled task.

**system\_data** (*requery\_timeoffset=False*)

Returns a dictionary of data containing information about the agent. This is the information that is also passed along to the master.

**build\_http\_resource** ()

**start** (*shutdown\_events=True, http\_server=True*)

Internal code which starts the agent, registers it with the master, and performs the other steps necessary to get things running.

#### Parameters

- **shutdown\_events** (*bool*) – If True register all shutdown events so certain actions, such as information the master we’re going offline, can take place.
- **http\_server** (*bool*) – If True then construct and serve the externally facing http server.

**stop** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Internal code which stops the agent. This will terminate any running processes, inform the master of the terminated tasks, update the state of the agent on the master.

**sigint\_handler** (\*)

**post\_shutdown\_to\_master** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

This method is called before the reactor shuts down and lets the master know that the agent’s state is now offline

**post\_agent\_to\_master** (*\*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Runs the POST request to contact the master. Running this method multiple times should be considered safe but is generally something that should be avoided.

**callback\_agent\_id\_set** (*change\_type, key, new\_value, old\_value, shutdown\_events=True*)

When *agent\_id* is created we need to:

- Register a shutdown event so that when the agent is told to shutdown it will notify the master of a state change.
- Star the scheduled task manager

**callback\_shutting\_down\_changed** (*change\_type, key, new\_value, old\_value*)

When *shutting\_down* is changed in the configuration, set or reset *self.shutdown\_timeout*

## 4.2.4 pyfarm.agent.testutil module

**class** `pyfarm.agent.testutil.skipIf` (*should\_skip, reason*)

Bases: `object`

Wrapping a test with this class will allow the test to be skipped if *should\_skip* evals as True.

`pyfarm.agent.testutil.random_port` (*bind='127.0.0.1'*)

Returns a random port which is not in use

`pyfarm.agent.testutil.requires_master` (*function*)

Any test decorated with this function will fail if the master could not be contacted or returned a response other than 200 OK for “/”

`pyfarm.agent.testutil.create_jobtype` (*classname=None, sourcecode=None*)

Creates a job type on the master and fires a deferred when finished

**class** `pyfarm.agent.testutil.FakeRequestHeaders` (*test, headers*)

Bases: `object`

**getRawHeaders** (*header*)

```
class pyfarm.agent.testutil.FakeRequest (test, method, uri, headers=None, data=None)
    Bases: object

    getHeader (header)

    setResponseCode (code)

    write (data)

    finish ()

    response ()

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.FakeAgent (stopped=None)
    Bases: object

    stop ()

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.ErrorCapturingParser (*args, **kwargs)
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.entrypoints.parser.AgentArgumentParser

    error (message)

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.TestCase (methodName='runTest')
    Bases: twisted.trial._async_test.TestCase

    longMessage = True

    POP_CONFIG_KEYS = []

    RAND_LENGTH = 8

    timeout = 15

    assertRaises (excClass, callableObj=None, *args, **kwargs)

    assertRaisesRegexp (expected_exception, expected_regexp, callable_obj=None, *args, **kwargs)

    assertDateAlmostEqual (date1, date2, second_deviation=0, microsecond_deviation=500000)

    setUp ()

    prepare_config ()

    create_file (content=None, dir=None, suffix='')
        Creates a test file on disk using tempfile.mkstemp() and uses the lower level file interfaces to manage it. This is done to ensure we have more control of the file descriptor itself so on platforms such as Windows we don't have to worry about running out of file handles.

    create_directory (count=10)

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseRequestTestCase (methodName='runTest')
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.testutil.TestCase

    HTTP_SCHEME = 'http'

    DNS_HOSTNAME = 'example.com'

    TEST_URL = 'http://httpbin.pyfarm.net'

    REDIRECT_TARGET = 'http://example.com'

    RESOLVED_DNS_NAME = True

    HTTP_REQUEST_SUCCESS = True

    setUp ()
```

```

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseHTTPTestCase (methodName='runTest')
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.testutil.TestCase
    URI = NotImplemented
    CLASS = NotImplemented
    CLASS_FACTORY = NotImplemented
    CONTENT_TYPES = NotImplemented
    setUp()
    instance_class()
    test_instance()
    test_leaf()
    test_implements_methods()
    test_content_types()
    test_methods_exist_for_schema()
    test_missing_schemas()

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseAPITestCase (methodName='runTest')
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseHTTPTestCase
    CONTENT_TYPES = ['application/json']
    setUp()
    test_parent()

class pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseHTMLTestCase (methodName='runTest')
    Bases: pyfarm.agent.testutil.BaseHTTPTestCase
    CONTENT_TYPES = ['text/html', 'application/json']
    setUp()
    test_template_set()
    test_template_loaded()

```

## 4.2.5 pyfarm.agent.utility module

### Utilities

Top level utilities for the agent to use internally. Many of these are copied over from the master (which we can't import here).

```

pyfarm.agent.utility.validate_environment (values)
    Ensures that values is a dictionary and that it only contains string keys and values.

pyfarm.agent.utility.validate_uuid (value)
    Ensures that value can be converted to or is a UUID object.

pyfarm.agent.utility.TASKS_SCHEMA (values)

pyfarm.agent.utility.default_json_encoder (obj, return_obj=False)

```

`pyfarm.agent.utility.json_safe(source)`

Recursively converts `source` into something that should be safe for `json.dumps()` to handle. This is used in conjunction with `default_json_encoder()` to also convert keys to something the json encoder can understand.

`pyfarm.agent.utility.quote_url(source_url)`

This function serves as a wrapper around `urlsplit()` and `quote()` and a url that has the path quoted.

`pyfarm.agent.utility.dumps(*args, **kwargs)`

Agent's implementation of `json.dumps()` or `pyfarm.master.utility.jsonify()`

`pyfarm.agent.utility.request_from_master(request)`

Returns True if the request appears to be coming from the master

**class** `pyfarm.agent.utility.UTF8Recoder(f, encoding)`

Bases: `object`

Iterator that reads an encoded stream and reencodes the input to UTF-8

**next** ()

**class** `pyfarm.agent.utility.UnicodeCSVReader(f, dialect=<class csv.excel at 0x7f1b7ab29390>, encoding='utf-8', **kwds)`

Bases: `object`

A CSV reader which will iterate over lines in the CSV file “f”, which is encoded in the given encoding.

**next** ()

**class** `pyfarm.agent.utility.UnicodeCSVWriter(f, dialect=<class csv.excel at 0x7f1b7ab29390>, **kwds)`

Bases: `object`

A CSV writer which will write rows to CSV file “f”, which is encoded in the given encoding.

**writerow** (row)

**writerows** (rows)

`pyfarm.agent.utility.total_seconds(td)`

Returns the total number of seconds in the time delta object. This function is provided for backwards comparability with Python 2.6.

**class** `pyfarm.agent.utility.AgentUUID`

Bases: `object`

This class wraps all the functionality required to load, cache and retrieve an Agent's UUID.

**log** = <pyfarm.agent.logger.python.Logger object at 0x7f1b7a904ed0>

**classmethod load** (path)

A classmethod to load a UUID object from a path. If the provided path does not exist or does not contain data which can be converted into a UUID object None will be returned.

**classmethod save** (agent\_uuid, path)

Saves agent\_uuid to path. This classmethod will also create the necessary parent directories and handle conversion from the input type `uuid.UUID`.

**classmethod generate** ()

Generates a UUID object. This simply wraps `uuid.uuid4()` and logs a warning.

`pyfarm.agent.utility.remove_file(path, retry_on_exit=False, raise_=True, ignored_errnos=(2,))`

Simple function to remove the provided file or retry on exit if requested. This function standardizes the

log output, ensures it's only called once per path on exit and handles platform specific exceptions (ie. `WindowsError`).

#### Parameters

- **retry\_on\_exit** (*bool*) – If True, retry removal of the file when Python exists.
- **raise** (*bool*) – If True, raise an exceptions produced. This will always be False if `remove_file()` is being executed by **:module:'atexit'**
- **ignored\_errnos** (*tuple*) – A tuple of ignored error numbers. By default this function only ignores `ENOENT`.

`pyfarm.agent.utility.remove_directory` (*path*, *retry\_on\_exit=False*, *raise\_=True*, *ignored\_errnos=(2, )*)

Simple function to **recursively** remove the provided directory or retry on exit if requested. This function standardizes the log output, ensures it's only called once per path on exit and handles platform specific exceptions (ie. `WindowsError`).

#### Parameters

- **retry\_on\_exit** (*bool*) – If True, retry removal of the file when Python exists.
- **raise** (*bool*) – If True, raise an exceptions produced. This will always be False if `remove_directory()` is being executed by **:module:'atexit'**
- **ignored\_errnos** (*tuple*) – A tuple of ignored error numbers. By default this function only ignores `ENOENT`.

## 4.3 Module contents

### 4.3.1 PyFarm Agent

Core module containing code to run PyFarm's agent.



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## pyfarm.jobtypes package

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### 5.1 Subpackages

#### 5.1.1 pyfarm.jobtypes.core package

##### Submodules

##### pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals module

**Job Type Internals** Contains classes which contain internal methods for the `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype.JobType` class.

**class** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.ProcessData`  
 Bases: `tuple`

`ProcessData(protocol, started, stopped)`

**protocol**

Alias for field number 0

**started**

Alias for field number 1

**stopped**

Alias for field number 2

**exception** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.InsufficientSpaceError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**class** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.Cache`

Bases: `object`

Internal methods for caching job types

**cache** = {}

**JOBTYPE\_VERSION\_URL** = '%(master\_api)s/jobtypes/%(name)s/versions/%(version)s'

**CACHE\_DIRECTORY** = '/tmp/pyfarm/agent/jobtype\_cache'

**e** = `OSError(17, 'File exists')`

**class** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.Process`

Bases: `object`

Methods related to process control and management

```
logging = {}  
stopped_deferred  
start_deferred  
class pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.System  
    Bases: object  
class pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.TypeChecks  
    Bases: object
```

### pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype module

**Job Type Core** This module contains the core job type from which all other job types are built. All other job types must inherit from the `JobType` class in this module.

```
class pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype.CommandData (command, *arguments, **kwargs)  
    Bases: object  
  
Stores data to be returned by JobType.get_command_data(). Instances of this class are also used by  
JobType.spawn_process_inputs() at execution time.
```

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**Note:** This class does not perform any key of path resolution by default. It is assumed this has already been done using something like `JobType.map_path()`

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#### Parameters

- **command** (*string*) – The command that will be executed when the process runs.
- **arguments** – Any additional arguments to be passed along to the command being launched.
- **env** (*dict*) – If provided, this will be the environment to launch the command with. If this value is not provided then a default environment will be setup using `set_default_environment()` when `JobType.start()` is called. `JobType.start()` itself will use `JobType.set_default_environment()` to generate the default environment.
- **cwd** (*string*) – The working directory the process should execute in. If not provided the process will execute in whatever the directory the agent is running inside of.
- **user** (*string or integer*) – The username or user id that the process should run as. On Windows this keyword is ignored and on Linux this requires the agent to be executing as root. The value provided here will be run through `JobType.get_uid_gid()` to map the incoming value to an integer.
- **group** (*string or integer*) – Same as `user` above except this sets the group the process will execute.
- **id** – An arbitrary id to associate with the resulting process protocol. This can help identify

#### `validate()`

Validates that the attributes on an instance of this class contain values we expect. This method is called externally by the job type in `JobType.start()` and may correct some instance attributes.

#### `set_default_environment (value)`

Sets the environment to `value` if the internal `env` attribute is `None`. By default this method is called by the job type and passed in the results from `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.JobType.get_environment()`

```
class pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype.JobType(assignment)
    Bases: pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.Cache, pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.System,
    pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.Process, pyfarm.jobtypes.core.internals.TypeChecks
```

Base class for all other job types. This class is intended to abstract away many of the asynchronous necessary to run a job type on an agent.

#### Variables

- **PERSISTENT\_JOB\_DATA** (*set*) – A dictionary of job ids and data that `prepare_for_job()` has produced. This is used during `__init__()` to set `persistent_job_data`.
- **COMMAND\_DATA\_CLASS** (*CommandData*) – If you need to provide your own class to represent command data you should override this attribute. This attribute is used by methods within this class to do type checking.
- **PROCESS\_PROTOCOL** (*ProcessProtocol*) – The protocol object used to communicate with each process spawned
- **ASSIGNMENT\_SCHEMA** (*voluptuous.Schema*) – The schema of an assignment. This object helps to validate the incoming assignment to ensure it's not missing any data.
- **uuid** (*UUID*) – This is the unique identifier for the job type instance and is automatically set when the class is instanced. This is used by the agent to track assignments and job type instances.
- **finished\_tasks** (*set*) – A set of tasks that have had their state changed to finished through `set_task_state()`. At the start of the assignment, this list is empty.
- **failed\_tasks** (*set*) – This is analogous to `finished_tasks` except it contains failed tasks only.

**Parameters** *assignment* (*dict*) – This attribute is a dictionary the keys “job”, “jobtype” and “tasks”. `self.assignment[“job”]` is itself a dict with keys “id”, “title”, “data”, “environ” and “by”. The most important of those is usually “data”, which is the dict specified when submitting the job and contains jobtype specific data. `self.assignment[“tasks”]` is a list of dicts representing the tasks in the current assignment. Each of these dicts has the keys “id” and “frame”. The list is ordered by frame number.

```
PERSISTENT_JOB_DATA = {}
```

```
COMMAND_DATA
    alias of CommandData
```

```
PROCESS_PROTOCOL
    alias of ProcessProtocol
```

```
ASSIGNMENT_SCHEMA = <voluptuous.Schema object at 0x7f1b78e7bbd0>
```

```
classmethod load(assignment)
```

Given an assignment this class method will load the job type either from cache or from the master.

**Parameters** *assignment* (*dict*) – The dictionary containing the assignment. This will be passed into an instance of `ASSIGNMENT_SCHEMA` to validate that the internal data is correct.

```
classmethod prepare_for_job(job)
```

---

**Note:** This method is not yet implemented

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Called before a job executes on the agent first the first time. Whatever this classmethod returns will be available as `persistent_job_data` on the job type instance.

**Parameters** `job` (*int*) – The job id which `prepare_for_job` is being run for

By default this method does nothing.

**classmethod** `cleanup_after_job` (*persistent\_data*)

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**Note:** This method is not yet implemented

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This classmethod will be called after the last assignment from a given job has finished on this node.

**Parameters** `persistent_data` – The persistent data that `prepare_for_job()` produced. The value for this data may be `None` if `prepare_for_job()` returned `None` or was not implemented.

**classmethod** `spawn_persistent_process` (*job, command\_data*)

---

**Note:** This method is not yet implemented

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Starts one child process using an instance of `CommandData` or similiar input. This process is intended to keep running until the last task from this job has been processed, potentially spanning more than one assignment. If the spawned process is still running then we'll cleanup the process after `cleanup_after_job()`

**node()**

Returns live information about this host, the operating system, hardware, and several other pieces of global data which is useful inside of the job type. Currently data from this method includes:

- master\_api** - The base url the agent is using to communicate with the master.
- hostname** - The hostname as reported to the master.
- agent\_id** - The unique identifier used to identify. this agent to the master.
- id** - The database id of the agent as given to us by the master on startup of the agent.
- cpus** - The number of CPUs reported to the master
- ram** - The amount of ram reported to the master.
- total\_ram** - The amount of ram, in megabytes, that's installed on the system regardless of what was reported to the master.
- free\_ram** - How much ram, in megabytes, is free for the entire system.
- consumed\_ram** - How much ram, in megabytes, is being consumed by the agent and any processes it has launched.
- admin** - Set to True if the current user is an administrator or 'root'.
- user** - The username of the current user.
- case\_sensitive\_files** - True if the file system is case sensitive.
- case\_sensitive\_env** - True if environment variables are case sensitive.
- machine\_architecture** - The architecture of the machine the agent is running on. This will return 32 or 64.

•**operating\_system** - The operating system the agent is executing on. This value will be 'linux', 'mac' or 'windows'. In rare circumstances this could also be 'other'.

#### Raises **KeyError**

Raised if one or more keys are not present in the global configuration object.

This should rarely if ever be a problem under normal circumstances. The exception to this rule is in unittests or standalone libraries with the global config object may not be populated.

#### **assignments()**

Short cut method to access tasks

#### **tempdir** (*new=False, remove\_on\_finish=True*)

Returns a temporary directory to be used within a job type. By default once called the directory will be created on disk and returned from this method.

Calling this method multiple times will return the same directory instead of creating a new directory unless *new* is set to *True*.

#### Parameters

- **new** (*bool*) – If set to *True* then return a new directory when called. This however will not replace the 'default' temp directory.
- **remove\_on\_finish** (*bool*) – If *True* then keep track of the directory returned so it can be removed when the job type finishes.

#### **get\_uid\_gid** (*user, group*)

**Overridable.** This method to convert a named user and group into their respective user and group ids.

#### **get\_environment** ()

Constructs an environment dictionary that can be used when a process is spawned by a job type.

#### **get\_command\_list** (*cmdlist*)

Return a list of command to be used when running the process as a read-only tuple.

#### **get\_csvlog\_path** (*protocol\_uuid, create\_time=None*)

Returns the path to the comma separated value (csv) log file. The agent stores logs from processes in a csv format so we can store additional information such as a timestamp, line number, stdout/stderr identification and the the log message itself.

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**Note:** This method should not attempt to create the parent directories of the resulting path. This is already handled by the logger pool in a non-blocking fashion.

---

#### **get\_command\_data** ()

**Overridable.** This method returns the arguments necessary for executing a command. For job types which execute a single process per assignment, this is the most important method to implement.

**Warning:** This method should not be used when this jobtype requires more than one process for one assignment and may not get called at all if `start()` was overridden.

The default implementation does nothing. When overriding this method you should return an instance of `COMMAND_DATA_CLASS`:

```
return self.COMMAND_DATA(
    "/usr/bin/python", "-c", "print 'hello world'",
    env={"FOO": "bar"}, user="bob")
```

See `CommandData`'s class documentation for a full description of possible arguments.

Please note however the default command data class, `CommandData` does not perform path expansion. So instead you have to handle this yourself with `map_path()`.

**map\_path** (*path*)

Takes a string argument. Translates a given path for any OS to what it should be on this particular node. This does not communicate with the master.

**expandvars** (*value, environment=None, expand=None*)

Expands variables inside of a string using an environment. Exp

**Parameters**

- **value** (*string*) – The path to expand
- **environment** (*dict*) – The environment to use for expanding *value*. If this value is `None` (the default) then we'll use `get_environment()` to build this value.
- **expand** (*bool*) – When not provided we use the `jobtype_expandvars` configuration value to set the default. When this value is `True` we'll perform environment variable expansion otherwise we return *value* untouched.

**start** ()

This method is called when the job type should start working. Depending on the job type's implementation this will prepare and start one more more processes.

**stop** (*assignment\_failed=False, error=None, signal='KILL'*)

This method is called when the job type should stop running. This will terminate any processes associated with this job type and also inform the master of any state changes to an associated task or tasks.

**Parameters**

- **assignment\_failed** (*boolean*) – Whether this means the assignment has genuinely failed. By default, we assume that stopping this assignment was the result of deliberate user action (like stopping the job or shutting down the agent), and won't treat it as a failed assignment.
- **error** (*string*) – If the assignment has failed, this string is upload as `last_error` for the failed tasks.
- **signal** (*string*) – The signal to send the any running processes. Valid options are `KILL`, `TERM` or `INT`.

**format\_error** (*error*)

Takes some kind of object, typically an instance of `Exception` or `:class'.Failure'` and produces a human readable string. If we don't know how to format the request object an error will be logged and nothing will be returned

**set\_states** (*tasks, state, error=None*)

Wrapper around `set_state()` that that allows you to the state on the master for multiple tasks at once.

**set\_task\_state** (*task, state, error=None, dissociate\_agent=False*)

Sets the state of the given task

**Parameters**

- **task** (*dict*) – The dictionary containing the task we're changing the state for.
- **state** (*string*) – The state to change *task* to
- **error** (*string, Exception*) – If the state is changing to 'error' then also set the `last_error` column. Any exception instance that is passed to this keyword will be passed through `format_exception()` first to format it.

**get\_local\_task\_state** (*task\_id*)

Returns None if the state of this task has not been changed locally since this assignment has started. This method does not communicate with the master.

**is\_successful** (*reason*)

**Overridable.** This method that determines whether the process referred to by a protocol instance has exited successfully.

The default implementation returns True if the process's return code was 0 and False in all other cases. If you need to modify this behavior please be aware that `reason` may be an integer or an instance of `twisted.internet.error.ProcessTerminated` if the process terminated without errors or an instance of `twisted.python.failure.Failure` if there were problems.

**Raises `NotImplementedError`** Raised if we encounter a condition that the base implementation is unable to handle.

**before\_start** ()

**Overridable.** This method called directly before `start()` itself is called.

The default implementation does nothing and values returned from this method are ignored.

**before\_spawn\_process** (*command, protocol*)

**Overridable.** This method called directly before a process is spawned.

By default this method does nothing except log information about the command we're about to launch both the the agent's log and to the log file on disk.

**Parameters**

- **command** (*CommandData*) – An instance of `CommandData` which contains the environment to use, command and arguments. Modifications to this object will be applied to the process being spawned.
- **protocol** (*ProcessProtocol*) – An instance of `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.process.ProcessProtocol` which contains the protocol used to communicate between the process and this job type.

**process\_stopped** (*protocol, reason*)

**Overridable.** This method called when a child process stopped running.

The default implementation will mark all tasks in the current assignment as done or failed if there was at least one failed process.

**process\_started** (*protocol*)

**Overridable.** This method is called when a child process started running.

The default implementation will mark all tasks in the current assignment as running.

**process\_output** (*protocol, output, line\_fragments, line\_handler*)

This is a mid-level method which takes output from a process protocol then splits and processes it to ensure we pass complete output lines to the other methods.

Implementors who wish to process the output line by line should override `preprocess_stdout_line()`, `preprocess_stderr_line()`, `process_stdout_line()` or `process_stderr_line()` instead. This method is a glue method between other parts of the job type and should only be overridden if there's a problem or you want to change how lines are split.

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (*ProcessProtocol*) – The protocol instance which produced output
- **output** (*string*) – The blob of text or line produced

- **line\_fragments** (*dict*) – The line fragment dictionary containing individual line fragments. This will be either `self._stdout_line_fragments` or `self._stderr_line_fragments`.
- **line\_handler** (*callable*) – The function to handle any lines produced. This will be either `handle_stdout_line()` or `handle_stderr_line()`

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

**handle\_stdout\_line** (*protocol, stdout*)

Takes a `ProcessProtocol` instance and `stdout` line produced by `process_output()` and runs it through all the steps necessary to preprocess, format, log and handle the line.

The default implementation will run `stdout` through several methods in order:

- `preprocess_stdout_line()`
- `format_stdout_line()`
- `log_stdout_line()`
- `process_stdout_line()`

**Warning:** This method is not private however it's advisable to override the methods above instead of this one. Unlike this method, which is more generalized and invokes several other methods, the above provide more targeted functionality.

#### Parameters

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stdout`
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to `stderr` being emitted by the process

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

**handle\_stderr\_line** (*protocol, stderr*)

**Overridable.** Takes a `ProcessProtocol` instance and `stderr` produced by `process_output()` and runs it through all the steps necessary to preprocess, format, log and handle the line.

The default implementation will run `stderr` through several methods in order:

- `preprocess_stderr_line()`
- `format_stderr_line()`
- `log_stderr_line()`
- `process_stderr_line()`

**Warning:** This method is overridable however it's advisable to override the methods above instead. Unlike this method, which is more generalized and invokes several other methods, the above provide more targeted functionality.

#### Parameters

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stdout`
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to `stderr` being emitted by the process

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

**preprocess\_stdout\_line** (*protocol*, *stdout*)

**Overridable.** Provides the ability to manipulate `stdout` or `protocol` before it's passed into any other line handling methods.

*The default implementation does nothing.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stdout`
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to `stdout` before any formatting or logging has occurred.

**Return type** `string`

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default but when overridden should return a string which will be used in line handling methods such as `format_stdout_line()`, `log_stdout_line()` and `process_stdout_line()`.

**preprocess\_stderr\_line** (*protocol*, *stderr*)

**Overridable.** Formats a line from `stdout` before it's passed onto methods such as `log_stdout_line()` and `process_stdout_line()`.

*The default implementation does nothing.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stderr`
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to `stderr` before any formatting or logging has occurred.

**Return type** `string`

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default but when overridden should return a string which will be used in line handling methods such as `format_stderr_line()`, `log_stderr_line()` and `process_stderr_line()`.

**format\_stdout\_line** (*protocol*, *stdout*)

**Overridable.** Formats a line from `stdout` before it's passed onto methods such as `log_stdout_line()` and `process_stdout_line()`.

*The default implementation does nothing.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stdout`
- **stdout** (*string*) – A complete line from process to format and return.

**Return type** `string`

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default but when overridden should return a string which will be used in `log_stdout_line()` and `process_stdout_line()`

**format\_stderr\_line** (*protocol*, *stderr*)

**Overridable.** Formats a line from `stderr` before it's passed onto methods such as `log_stderr_line()` and `process_stderr_line()`.

*The default implementation does nothing.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced `stderr`
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line from the process to format and return.

**Return type** string

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default but when overridden should return a string which will be used in `log_stderr_line()` and `process_stderr_line()`

`log_stdout_line(protocol, stdout)`

**Overridable.** Called when we receive a complete line on stdout from the process.

The default implementation will use the global logging pool to log stdout to a file.

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced stdout
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to stdout that has been formatted and is ready to log to a file.

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

`log_stderr_line(protocol, stderr)`

**Overridable.** Called when we receive a complete line on stderr from the process.

The default implementation will use the global logging pool to log stderr to a file.

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced stderr
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to stderr that has been formatted and is ready to log to a file.

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

`process_stderr_line(protocol, stderr)`

**Overridable.** This method is called when we receive a complete line to stderr. The line will be preformatted and will already have been sent for logging.

*The default implementation sends “stderr” and “protocol” to :meth:‘process\_stdout\_line’.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced stderr
- **stderr** (*string*) – A complete line to stderr after it has been formatted and logged.

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

`process_stdout_line(protocol, stdout)`

**Overridable.** This method is called when we receive a complete line to stdout. The line will be preformatted and will already have been sent for logging.

*The default implementation does nothing.*

**Parameters**

- **protocol** (`ProcessProtocol`) – The protocol instance which produced stderr
- **stdout** (*string*) – A complete line to stdout after it has been formatted and logged.

**Returns** This method returns nothing by default and any return value produced by this method will not be consumed by other methods.

**pyfarm.jobtypes.core.process module**

**Process** Module responsible for connecting a Twisted process object and a job type. Additionally this module contains other classes which are useful in starting or managing a process.

**class** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.process.ReplaceEnvironment` (*frozen\_environment*, *environment=None*)

Bases: `object`

A context manager which will replace `os.environ`'s, or dictionary of your choosing, for a short period of time. After exiting the context manager the original environment will be restored.

This is useful if you have something like a process that's using global environment and you want to ensure that global environment is always consistent.

**Parameters** *environment* (*dict*) – If provided, use this as the environment dictionary instead of `os.environ`

**class** `pyfarm.jobtypes.core.process.ProcessProtocol` (*jobtype*)

Bases: `twisted.internet.protocol.ProcessProtocol`

Subclass of `Protocol` which hooks into the various systems necessary to run and manage a process. More specifically, this helps to act as plumbing between the process being run and the job type.

**uuid**

**pid**

**process**

The underlying Twisted process object

**psutil\_process**

Returns a `psutil.Process` object for the running process

**connectionMade** ()

Called when the process first starts and the file descriptors have opened.

**processEnded** (*reason*)

Called when the process has terminated and all file descriptors have been closed. `processExited()` is called, too, however we only want to notify the parent job type once the process has freed up the last bit of resources.

**outReceived** (*data*)

Called when the process emits on stdout

**errReceived** (*data*)

Called when the process emits on stderr

**kill** ()

Kills the underlying process, if running.

**terminate** ()

Terminates the underlying process, if running.

**interrupt** ()

Interrupts the underlying process, if running.

**running** ()

Method to determine whether the child process is currently running

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```
class pyfarm.jobtypes.examples.PythonHelloWorld(assignment)
    Bases: pyfarm.jobtypes.core.jobtype.JobType
    get_command_data()
```

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### 5.3.1 Job Types

This package, `pyfarm.jobtypes`, contains the code which executes a task on an agent.

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