
StateMachine

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GETTING STARTED

The State Machine is used to implement a workflow. Through a transition you change from one state to another. The current state determines the behavior.

1.1 Context

The Context serves as an interface between the state machine and the client . It delegates a request from the client to the current state. Depending on the current state, the request results in a different behavior.

The following example shows how to create a context and load a state by its name:

```
from state_machine.context import Context

context = Context()
context.load_state("RegisteredState")
context.change_state()
```

1.2 State

Each state is modeled as a JSON document with two set of strategies (create_study and change_state) that dictates a set of behaviors.

The existing states need to be passed to the context. Here is an example:

```
{
    "name" : "RegisteredState",
    "strategies_create_study" : [
        {
            "name" : "expression",
            "value" : "len(kwargs.get('datasets', [])) > 0",
            "state_if_true" : "DatasetState"
        }
    ],
    "strategies_change_state" : [
        {
            "name" : "expression",
            "value" : "len(kwargs.get('datasets', [])) > 0",
            "state_if_true" : "DatasetState"
        }
    ]
}
```


STUDY_STATE_MACHINE

2.1 study_state_machine package

2.1.1 Subpackages

2.1.2 Submodules

2.1.3 study_state_machine.context module

Implementation of a finite state machine for studies

```
class study_state_machine.context.Context(available_states, initial_state=None)
Bases: object
```

Only if an initial state is passed to the constructor, the context of the current state is set. Otherwise, call `transition_to()` or `load_state()` with a name of a State, respectively

```
add_sample(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
property available_states
```

```
change_state(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
create_study(*args, **kwargs)
```

```
property current_state
```

```
get_state_dict(state_name)
```

```
load_state(state_name)
```

Load state with given name

Parameters `state_name` – Name of the state

Raises `StateNotFoundException` – If the state is not found

```
parse_strategies(strategies, *args, **kwargs)
```

Parse strategies list and return a state to be transitioned to

```
transition_to(state_name)
```

Set state as the new current state and set its context

Parameters `state_name` – new current state

2.1.4 study_state_machine.errors module

Collection of state machine related exceptions.

All exceptions inherit from `StateMachineException`

exception `study_state_machine.errors.BehaviorNotAllowedException`

Bases: `study_state_machine.errors.StateMachineException`

Exception if a state does not support a behavior

exception `study_state_machine.errors.StateMachineException`

Bases: `Exception`

Generic state machine error

exception `study_state_machine.errors.StateNotFoundException`

Bases: `study_state_machine.errors.StateMachineException`

Exception if state is not found by its name

2.1.5 study_state_machine.interfaces module

class `study_state_machine.interfaces.IState(context=None)`

Bases: `abc.ABC`

Base class for all states.

The state has a reference to the context in order to change into the next state.

property `context`

class `study_state_machine.interfaces.IStudyState(context=None)`

Bases: `study_state_machine.interfaces.IState`

Base class for all study states

`add_sample(*args, **kwargs)`

`change_state(*args, **kwargs)`

`create_study(*args, **kwargs)`

2.1.6 Module contents

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