
openleveldb

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Openleveldb is a small pythonic wrapper around [Plyvel](#)

FEATURES

1.1 Transparent object store

It works with python objects:

- Automatically **encodes objects** into bytes when saving to leveldb
- Automatically **decodes bytes** into their original type when retrieving objects from leveldb

Supported types include:

- `int`
- `str`
- `numpy.ndarray`
- Anything that is serializable by `orjson`

```
>>> db['key'] = {'key': [1, 2, 3]}
>>> db['key']
{'key': [1, 2, 3]}
```

1.2 Python dict-like protocol

It offers dict-like interface to `LevelDB`

```
>>> db["prefix", "key"] = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> db["prefix", "key"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
```

```
>>> db = db["prefix", ...]
>>> db["key"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
```

1.3 String-only keys

The only possible type for the keys is `str`. It avoids several problems when working with prefixes.

1.4 Multiprocessing support

Experimental **multiprocessing** support using a background flask server, exposing the same API of a direct connection:

```
db = LevelDB(db_path="path_to_db", server_address="http://127.0.0.1:5000")
```

1.4.1 Installation

It is possible to install `openleveldb` with `poetry`:

```
poetry add openleveldb
```

or with `pip`:

```
pip install openleveldb
```

Verify installation

Verify that the installation has been successful and that `plyvel` correctly installed `leveldb`, if it is not already installed on the system:

```
python -c 'import openleveldb'
```

Verify that `openleveldb` using the tests

```
git clone git@github.com:lucmos/openleveldb.git
cd openleveldb
poetry run pytest .
```

1.4.2 Getting started

Open db connection

The connection to the db can be direct or pass through a REST server. The only change required in the code is how the `LevelDB` object is instantiated

Direct connection

The first thing to do is to instantiate a `LevelDB` object to open a connection to leveldb database:

```
from openleveldb import LevelDB
db = LevelDB(db_path="path_to_db")
```

REST connection

If it's required to have multiprocessing support, that is not provided by leveldb, it is possible to start a server and connect to the database through REST API. In order to start the server is enough to do:

```
cd openleveldb
make server
```

Then it's possible to instantiate a `LevelDB` object specifying the server:

```
from openleveldb import LevelDB
db = LevelDB(db_path="path_to_db", server_address="http://127.0.0.1:5000")
```

Basic access

Storing, reading and deleting an element follow the dict protocol:

```
>>> db["prefix", "key"] = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> db["prefix", "key"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
>>> del db["prefix", "key"]
```

It is possible to use an arbitrary number of prefixes:

```
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"] = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
>>> del db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
```

Iteration

Iteration over (key, value) pairs behaves accordingly:

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
```

It's possible to perform advanced form of iteration using the `LevelDB.prefixed_iter` function:

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(prefixes=["b"]))
[('1', 'value2'), ('2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(prefixes=["b", "1"]))
[('', 'value2')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(starting_by="b"))
```

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```
[('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(starting_by=["b", "1"]))
[('b1', 'value2')]
```

Fancy indexing

When a local connection is available, it is possible to use fancy indexing to obtain a stateful `LevelDB` that remembers the prefixes:

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> db_b = db['b', ...]
>>> db_b["1"]
'value2'
>>> list(db_b)
[('1', 'value2'), ('2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db["c", ...])
[('1', 'value4')]
```

1.4.3 Public API

```
class openleveldb.LevelDB(db_path: Optional[Union[str, pathlib.Path]],
                           server_address: Optional[str] = None, dbconnector: Op-
                           tional[Union[openleveldb.backend.connectorlocal.LevelDBLocal,
                           openleveldb.backend.connectorclient.LevelDBClient]] = None,
                           read_only: bool = False)
```

```
__init__(db_path: Optional[Union[str, pathlib.Path]], server_address: Optional[str] = None,
          dbconnector: Optional[Union[openleveldb.backend.connectorlocal.LevelDBLocal, open-
          leveldb.backend.connectorclient.LevelDBClient]] = None, read_only: bool = False) →
          None
```

Provide access to a leveldb database, if it does not exist one is created.

Local databases do not support multiprocessing. It is possible to access a local db with:

```
>>> db = LevelDB(db_path)
```

Remote databases support multiprocessing. Once the a leveldb server is running, it is possible to access the remote db with:

```
>>> # db = LevelDB(remote_db_path, server_address)
```

Parameters

- **db_path** – the path in the filesystem to the database
- **server_address** – the address of the remote server
- **read_only** – if true the db can not be modified
- **dbconnector** – provide directly an existing dbconnector

prefixed_iter (*prefixes: Optional[Union[str, Iterable[str]] = None, starting_by: Optional[Union[str, Iterable[str]] = None, include_key=True, include_value=True)*
 → Iterable
 Builds a custom iterator.

The parameters `include_key` and `include_value` define what should be yielded:

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(include_key=False, include_value=False))
[None, None, None, None]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(include_key=True, include_value=False))
['a1', 'b1', 'b2', 'c1']
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(include_key=False, include_value=True))
['value1', 'value2', 'value3', 'value4']
```

The `prefixes` and `starting_by` parameters have a similar meaning. They determine over which keys it should iterate. The difference is that `starting_by` preserves the prefix in the returned key. The iterations stops when all the available keys with the given prefixes have been yielded

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(prefixes=["b"]))
[('1', 'value2'), ('2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(prefixes=["b", "1"]))
[('', 'value2')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(starting_by="b"))
[('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db.prefixed_iter(starting_by=["b", "1"]))
[('b1', 'value2')]
```

Parameters

- **include_key** – if False do not yield the keys
- **include_value** – if False do not yield the values
- **prefixes** – prefixes of the desired keys The prefixes will be removed from the keys returned
- **starting_by** – prefixes of the desired keys The prefixes will be preserved from the keys returned

Returns the iterable over the keys and/or values

prefixed_len (*prefixes: Optional[Union[str, Iterable[str]] = None, starting_by: Optional[str] = None*) → int
 Utility function to compute the number of keys with a given prefix, see `:py:meth:~database.LevelDB.prefixed_iter` for more details.

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> db.prefixed_len(prefixes=["b"])
2
>>> db.prefixed_len(prefixes=["b", "1"])
1
```

Parameters

- **prefixes** – prefixes of the desired keys The prefixes will be removed from the keys returned
- **starting_by** – prefixes of the desired keys The prefixes will be preserved from the keys returned

Returns the number of matching keys

`__iter__()` → Iterator
Iterator over (key, value) sorted by key

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
```

Returns the iterator over the items

`__len__()` → int
Computes the number of element in the database.

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> len(db)
4
```

Returns number of elements in the database

`__setitem__(key: Union[str, Iterable[str]], value: Any) → None`
Store the couple (key, value) in leveldb. The key and the value are automatically encoded together with the obj type information, in order to be able to automate the decoding.

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> db["array"] = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> db["array"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
>>> del db["array"]
```

The key may be one or more strings to specify prefixes. The last element is always the key:

```
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"] = "myvalue"
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
'myvalue'
>>> del db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
```

Parameters **key** – one or more strings to specify prefixes

Returns the value associated to the key in leveldb

`__getitem__(key: Union[str, Iterable[Union[str, ellipsis]]]) → Any`
Retrieve the couple (key, value) from leveldb.

```
>>> db["a1"]
'value1'
>>> db["a", "1"]
'value1'
```

The value is automatically decoded into its original type. The value must have been stored with `:py::~py:meth::~database.LevelDB.__setitem__`

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> db["array"] = np.array([1, 2, 3], dtype=np.int8)
>>> db["array"]
array([1, 2, 3], dtype=int8)
>>> del db["array"]
```

The key may be one or more strings, to specify prefixes. The last element is always the key:

```
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"] = "myvalue"
>>> db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
'myvalue'
>>> del db["prefix1", "prefix2", "key"]
```

It is possible to retrieve a stateful instance of :py:class:`~database.LevelDB` that accounts for prefixes using Ellipsis as key:

```
>>> list(db)
[('a1', 'value1'), ('b1', 'value2'), ('b2', 'value3'), ('c1', 'value4')]
>>> db_b = db['b', ...]
>>> db_b["1"]
'value2'
>>> list(db_b)
[('1', 'value2'), ('2', 'value3')]
>>> list(db["c", ...])
[('1', 'value4')]
```

Parameters **key** – one or more strings to specify prefixes. It's possible to specify sub-db using the Ellipsis as key.

Returns the value associated to the key in leveldb or a sub-db.

__delitem__ (*key: Union[str, Iterable[str]]*) → None

Delete the couple (key, value) from leveldb.

The key may be one or more strings, to specify prefixes. The last element is always the key:

```
>>> db["prefix", "key"] = "value"
>>> db["prefix", "key"]
'value'
>>> db["prefixkey"]
'value'
>>> del db["prefix", "key"]
>>> print(db["prefix", "key"])
None
>>> print(db["prefixkey"])
None
```

Parameters **key** – one or more strings to specify prefixes.

close () → None

Close the database

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