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astropy_new is a python module to search for new astrophysics submissions in arXiv based on the user interests and to create a summarized document that can be easily opened in a browser.

CHAPTER

ONE

FEATURES

- Managing user interests (subjects, author names, and keywords)
- Searching for new submissions in astro-ph based on the user interests
- Creating a summarized HTML document of the interested submissions
- Daily automatic searching and summary on a set time.

CHAPTER

TWO

INSTALLATION

2.1 Using pip

Assuming you have Python already, install astroph_new with pip simply run:

pip install -U astroph-new

2.2 Checking installation

If your installation is OK, you can import this module without any error:

python -c 'import astroph_new'

CHAPTER

THREE

DOCUMENTATION

3.1 Getting started

3.1.1 Configuring interests

3.1.1.1 Creating folder for astro-ph

Create a folder where the astro-ph daily summaries will be stored in an easy-to-access and frequently viewed path (e.g., ~/Desktop/).

% cd ~/Desktop Desktop % mkdir astro-ph Desktop % cd astro-ph

Note: Initializing and managing interests in the REPL mode of the Python shell is convenient.

astro-ph % python

3.1.1.2 Initializing interests

astroph_new searches interested new submissions in astro-ph based on the user interests, a list of interested subjects, authors, and keywords. To initialize your interests, you can make an empty interests file by using init_interest():

```
>>> import astroph_new as apn
>>> apn.init_interest()
'.interests' was initialized.
```

The default filename for saving your interests is .interests, but you can use different filenames with file='filename' for various purposes, e.g., separating interests by area of interest:

```
>>> apn.init_interest(file='keywords_for_polarization')
'keywords_for_polarization' was initialized.
```

The init_interest() has three options:

file

[string] file name to save the interests

default

[bool] update the default filename to file, default is False

overwrite

[bool] overwrite to the existing file, default is False

You can change the default filename with an option of default=True or with the set_params() function.

```
>>> apn.init_interest(file='.mykeywords', default=True)
The default file name was changed to '.mykeywords'.
'.mykeywords' was initialized.
```

```
>>> apn.set_params('file', '.interests')
>>> apn.init_interest(overwrite=True)
'.interests' was initialized.
```

3.1.1.3 Managing interests

The astroph_new module contains functions helpful in managing user interests stored in the file name (or path) given by file.

Note: Functions that manage user interests, such as read_interest(), add_interest(), and remove_interest(), have an input parameter file specifying the name of the user interests file. If it is not given, the default file name is used, which was set in init_interest() or set_params() and can be checked with get_params().

```
>>> apn.get_params('file')
'.interests'
```

You can add the interested categories of astro-ph, interested author names, and search keywords for the titles or abstracts into your interests list using add_interest().

```
>>> subject = ['SR', 'GA']
>>> author = ['Di Francesco, James', 'Neal J. Evans II', 'Caselli, Paola']
>>> keyword = ['molecular cloud', 'filament', 'dense core', 'prestellar']
>>> apn.add_interest(subject=subject, author=author, keyword=keyword)
'SR' is added to the 'subject' list.
'GA' is added to the 'subject' list.
'Di Francesco, James' is added to the 'author' list.
'Neal J. Evans II' is added to the 'author' list.
'Caselli, Paola' is added to the 'author' list.
'filament' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'filament' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'prestellar' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

The add_interest() has the following inputs,

subject

[string or list of strings] interested categories in astro-ph

• 'GA' : Astrophysics of Galaxies

- 'CO' : Cosmology and Nongalactic Astrophysics
- 'EP' : Earth and Planetary Astrophysics
- 'HE' : High Energy Astrophysical Phenomena
- 'IM' : Instrumentataion and Methods for Astrophysics
- 'SR' : Solar and Stellar Astrophysics

author

[string or list of strings] interested authors (Family, Given or Given Family)

keyword

[string or list of strings] interested keywords for the title and abstract (case insensitive)

To check the interests list:

```
>>> interest = apn.read_interest()
>>> print(interest['author'])
['Caselli, Paola', 'Di Francesco, James', 'Neal J. Evans II']
```

To add additional interests:

```
>>> apn.add_interest(subject='IM')
'IM' is added to the 'subject' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

```
>>> apn.add_interest(author='Philip C. Myers')
'Philip C. Myers' is added to the 'author' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

Obvious duplicates cannot be added:

```
>>> apn.add_interest(author=['Paola Caselli', 'Myers, P. C.'])
'Paola Caselli' is already exist in the 'author' list.
'Myers, P. C.' is already exist in the 'author' list.
Nothing changed!
```

Keyword searches for titles and abstracts ignore cases, but are sensitive to spaces and hyphens:

```
>>> apn.add_interest(keyword=['starless', 'protostellar'])
'starless' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'protostellar' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

```
>>> apn.add_interest(keyword=['proto-stellar', 'pre-stellar'])
'proto-stellar' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'pre-stellar' is added to the 'keyword' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

```
>>> print(apn.read_interest()['keyword'])
['dense core', 'filament', 'molecular cloud', 'pre-stellar', 'prestellar',
    'proto-stellar', 'protostellar', 'starless']
```

To remove no longer used keywords of interest:

```
>>> apn.remove_interest(subject='IM', keyword='proto-stellar')
'IM' is removed from the 'subject' list.
'proto-stellar' is removed from the 'keyword' list.
'interests.txt' was updated.
```

Note: You can access and update the saved user interests using text editors, such as vim or emacs.

3.1.2 Searching based on interests

Important: In this astroph_new module, downloading new submissions from astro-ph, searching based on user interests, and making a summary report of the search results are performed in three steps by get_new(), search_new(), and make_report(). However, since each step automatically calls the previous step function, you can skip this section and only need to run make_report().

The get_new() function opens new page of astro-ph in the virtual web browser using the selenium module and downloads the page source. Abstracts in astro-ph are compiled with mathjax, which takes some running time. So, get_new() will repeat the download with an interval of 5 seconds and check no changes to the page source. The get_new() returns the processed download result as a Python dictionary with key names class, link, title, author, and abstract.

```
>>> newsub = apn.get_new()
>>> newsub.keys()
dict_keys(['class', 'link', 'title', 'author', 'subject', 'abstract'])
```

You can set an input argument refresh for get_new() to avoid getting duplicate data.

refresh

[int] If new submission data received from astro-ph was stored within the refresh time (minutes), it returns the saved data without receiving the data again. If you want to receive the data again, set refresh=0. Default is 30 (minutes).

The search_new() function searches interested new submissions based on the user interests, which is saved in the running folder with the given name by file. The search_new() returns a python tuple that contains the output of get_new() and an index list of the interested submissions.

```
>>> newsub, idx = apn.search_new()
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the title of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
...07410)
keyword 'starless' is found in the title of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [41] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'filament' is found in the abstract of [60] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.08088)
```

>>> print(idx)
[10, 19, 36, 41, 60]

3.1.3 Making summary report

The make_report() function creates an HTML document, which is the summary report of the interested new submissions and can be quickly and conveniently opened in any browser, such as Google Chrome or Safari.

```
>>> apn.make_report()
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the title of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
...07410)
keyword 'starless' is found in the title of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07503)
...07628)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [41] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'filament' is found in the abstract of [60] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.08088)
'astro-ph_20230315.html' was saved.
```

The make_report() has the following options:

prefix

[string] The prefix of the filename for saving the report HTML page. Default is 'astro-ph'

datetag

[bool] Add a date tag at the end of the saved file name to prevent overwriting and preserve older reports. Default is **True**.

timetag

[bool] Add a time tag at the end of the saved file name. Default is False.

show

[bool] After the report is created, it is automatically displayed in the browser. Default is False.

If you set the show option as True, the make_report() automatically displays the report page in the browser. For this feature, you should set the 'show' parameter, which is a shell command for opening an HTML file in a browser, using set_params(). For example, if you use Google Chrome on the mac, it is 'open -a "Google Chrome" (default).

```
>>> apn.set_params('show', 'open -a "Google Chrome"')
>>> apn.get_params('show')
'open -a "Google Chrome"'
>>> apn.make_report(show=True)
```

3.1.4 Scheduling for astroph_new

The run_apn() function executes make_report() at user-designated time until the given end date. If the user-designated time has already passed at the time starting run_apn(), make_report() will be executed immediately, and from the next date, it will be executed at that time.

```
>>> apn.run_apn()
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the title of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
→07410)
keyword 'starless' is found in the title of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [10] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
→07410)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [19] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07501)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
→07628)
keyword 'starless' is found in the abstract of [36] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.07628)
keyword 'molecular cloud' is found in the abstract of [41] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.
→07752)
keyword 'filament' is found in the abstract of [60] (https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.08088)
'astro-ph_20230315.html' was saved.
Next searching: 2023-03-16 11:00
Waiting ...
```

Warning: The run_apn() is not a daemon that runs in the background, so it is terminated when you close the running Python shell or terminal.

You can designate the time and end date for run_apn().

at

[string, 'HH:MM'] a daily search and report generation time. Default is '11:00'.

end

[string, 'yyyy-mm-dd'] the end date of run_apn(). If not given, it is automatically set to 4 days later. For example, if you start run_apn() on Monday, the end date will be set Friday.

You can also set end as the end date of the year, like 2023-12-31. However, these schedules can be terminated prematurely for many reasons, such as the Python kernel shutting down, closing a terminal window, or the system rebooting for an update.

```
>>> apn.run_apn(at='12:30', end='2023-12-31')
Next searching: 2023-03-16 12:30
Waiting ...
```

As mentioned in the description of the end argument, if you run run_apn() on Monday without specifying end, you can get a summary report at the given time every day until Friday. Additionally, if you're trying to have a daily habit of checking astro-ph, the show=True option is strongly recommended.

```
>>> apn.run_apn(at='11:00', show=True)
Next searching: 2023-03-22 11:00
Waiting ...
```

The run_apn() delivers input arguments to the make_report() and search_new(). So, you can set the refresh, file, prefix, datetag, timetag, and show options for all daily executions.

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