PyRMQ

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Python with RabbitMQ—simplified so you won't have to.

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FEATURES

Stop worrying about boilerplating and implementing retry logic on your queues. PyRMQ already does it for you.

- Use out-of-the-box and thread-safe *Consumer* and *Publisher* classes created from pika for your projects and tests.
- Built-in retry logic for connecting, consuming, and publishing. Can also handle infinite retries.
- Works with Python 3.
- Production ready

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QUICKSTART

PyRMQ is available at PyPI.

\$ pip install pyrmq

Just instantiate the feature you want with their respective settings. PyRMQ already works out of the box with RabbitMQ's default initialization settings.

```
from pyrmq import Publisher
publisher = Publisher(
    exchange_name="exchange_name",
    queue_name="queue_name",
    routing_key="routing_key",
)
publisher.publish({"pyrmq": "My first message"})
```

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USER GUIDE

3.1 PyRMQ Installation

There are multiple ways to install PyRMQ as long as multiple versions to choose from.

3.1.1 Stable Version

PyRMQ is available at PyPI.

\$ pip install pyrmq

3.1.2 Development Version

Since PyRMQ is continuously used in a growing number of internal microservices all working with RabbitMQ, you can see or participate in its active development in its GitHub repository.

There are two ways to work or collaborate with its development version.

Git Checkout

Clone the code from GitHub and run it in a virtualenv.

```
$ git clone git@github.com:altusgerona/pyrmq.git
$ virtualenv venv --distribute
$ . venv/bin/activate
$ python setup.py install
```

This will setup PyRMQ and its dependencies on your local machine. Just fetch/pull code from the master branch to keep your copy up to date.

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```
$ mkdir pyrmq
$ cd pyrmq
$ virtualenv venv --distribute
$ . venv/bin/activate
$ pip install git+git://github.com/altusgerona/pyrmq.git
```

3.2 How to use PyRMQ

3.2.1 Publishing

Instantiate the *Publisher* class and plug in your application specific settings. PyRMQ already works out of the box with RabbitMQ's default initialization settings.

```
from pyrmq import Publisher
publisher = Publisher(
    exchange_name="exchange_name",
    queue_name="queue_name",
    routing_key="routing_key",
)
publisher.publish({"pyrmq": "My first message"})
```

This publishes a message that uses a BlockingConnection on its own thread with default settings and and provides a handler for its retries.

Retries

PyRMQ's Publisher retries happen on two levels: connecting and publishing.

Connecting

PyRMQ instantiates a BlockingConnection when connecting. If this fails, it will retry for 2 more times by default with a delay of 5 seconds, a backoff base of 2 seconds, and a backoff constant of 5 seconds. All these settings are configurable via the *Publisher* class.

Publishing

PyRMQ calls pika's basic_publish when publishing. If this fails, it will retry for 2 more times by default with a delay of 5 seconds, a backoff base of 2 seconds, and a backoff constant of 5 seconds. All these settings are configurable via the *Publisher* class.

Max retries reached

When PyRMQ has tried one too many times, it will call your specified callback.

3.2.2 Consuming

Instantiate the *Consumer* class and plug in your application specific settings. PyRMQ already works out of the box with RabbitMQ's default initialization settings.

```
from pyrmq import Consumer

def callback(data):
    print(f"Received {data}!")

consumer = Consumer(
    exchange_name="exchange_name",
    queue_name="queue_name",
    routing_key="routing_key",
)

consumer.start()
```

Once the *Consumer* class is instantiated, just run start() to start its own thread that targets pika's start_consuming method on its own thread with default settings and and provides a handler for its retries. Consumption calls basic_ack with delivery_tag set to what the message's method's was.

Retries

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Consuming

PyRMQ calls pika's start_consuming when *Consumer* is instantiated. If this fails, it will retry for 2 more times by default with a delay of 5 seconds, a backoff base of 2 seconds, and a backoff constant of 5 seconds. All these settings are configurable via the *Consumer* class.

Max retries reached

When PyRMQ has tried one too many times, it will call your specified callback.

3.3 API Documentation

3.3.1 Publisher Class

- class pyrmq.Publisher(exchange_name: str, queue_name: str, routing_key: str, **kwargs)
 This class offers a BlockingConnection from pika that automatically handles queue declares and bindings
 plus retry logic built for its connection and publishing.
 - **_Publisher__create_connection** () \rightarrow pika.adapters.blocking_connection.BlockingConnection Creates pika's BlockingConnection from the given connection parameters.
 - _Publisher__send_reconnection_error_message (*retry_count*, *error*) → None Send error message to your preferred location. :param retry_count: Amount retries the Publisher tried before sending an error message. :param error: Error that prevented the Publisher from sending the message.
 - ___init___(exchange_name: str, queue_name: str, routing_key: str, **kwargs)

Parameters

- exchange_name Your exchange name.
- queue_name Your queue name.
- **routing_key** Your queue name.
- host Your RabbitMQ host. Checks env var RABBITMQ_HOST. Default: "localhost"
- port Your RabbitMQ port. Checks env var RABBITMQ_PORT. Default: 5672
- username Your RabbitMQ username. Default: "guest"
- password Your RabbitMQ password. Default: "guest"
- connection_attempts How many times should PyRMQ try?. Default: 3
- retry_delay Seconds between retries.. Default: 5
- **error_callback** Callback function to be called when connection_attempts is reached.
- **infinite_retry** Tells PyRMQ to keep on retrying to publish while firing error_callback, if any. Default: False

__weakref_

list of weak references to the object (if defined)

Creates pika's BlockingConnection and initializes queue bindings. :param retry_count: Amount retries the Publisher tried before sending an error message.

declare_queue (*channel*) \rightarrow None

Declare and a bind a channel to a queue. :param channel: pika Channel

publish (*data: dict, attempt=0, retry_count=1*) \rightarrow None

Publishes data to RabbitMQ. :param data: Data to be published. :param attempt: Number of attempts made. :param retry_count: Amount retries the Publisher tried before sending an error message.

3.3.2 Consumer Class

This class uses a BlockingConnection from pika that automatically handles queue declares and bindings plus retry logic built for its connection and consumption. It starts its own thread upon initialization and runs pika's start_consuming().

- **_Consumer__create_connection** () \rightarrow pika.adapters.blocking_connection.BlockingConnection Creates a pika BlockingConnection from the given connection parameters.
- _Consumer__send_reconnection_error_message (retry_count, error) → None Send error message to your preferred location. :param retry_count: Amount retries the Publisher tried before sending an error message. :param error: Error that prevented the Publisher from sending the message.
- ___init___(exchange_name: str, queue_name: str, routing_key: str, callback: Callable, **kwargs)

Parameters

- exchange_name Your exchange name.
- queue_name Your queue name.
- routing_key Your queue name.
- callback Your callback that should handle a consumed message
- host Your RabbitMQ host. Default: "localhost"
- port Your RabbitMQ port. Default: 5672
- username Your RabbitMQ username. Default: "guest"
- password Your RabbitMQ password. Default: "guest"
- connection_attempts How many times should PyRMQ try? Default: 3
- retry_delay Seconds between retries.. Default: 5
- retry_backoff_base Exponential backoff base in seconds. Default: 2
- **retry_backoff_constant_secs** Exponential backoff constant in seconds. Default: 5

__weakref_

list of weak references to the object (if defined)

_consume_message (*channel*, *method*, *properties*, *data*) \rightarrow None

Wraps the user provided callback and gracefully handles its errors and calling pika's basic_ack once successful. :param channel: pika's Channel this message was received. :param method: pika's basic Return :param properties: pika's BasicProperties :param data: Data received in bytes.

```
\texttt{close()} \rightarrow None
```

Manually closes a connection to RabbitMQ. Useful for debugging and tests.

connect (*retry_count=1*) \rightarrow None

Creates a BlockingConnection from pika and initializes queue bindings. :param retry_count: Amount retries the Publisher tried before sending an error message.

consume (*retry_count=1*) \rightarrow None

Wraps pika's basic_consume() and start_consuming() with retry logic.

3.4 Testing PyRMQ

We're not gonna lie. Testing RabbitMQ, mocks or not, is infuriating. Much harder than a traditional integration testing with a database. That said, we hope that you could help us expand on what we have started should you feel our current tests aren't enough.

3.4.1 RabbitMQ

Since PyRMQ strives to be as complete with testing as it can be, it has several integration tests that need a running RabbitMQ to pass. Currently, PyRMQ is tested against rabbitmq:3.8.

Run Docker image (recommended)

\$ docker run -d --hostname my-rabbit --name rabbitmq -p 5672:5672 rabbitmq:alpine

This allows you to connect to RabbitMQ via localhost through port 5672. Default credentials are guest/guest.

Install and run RabbitMQ locally

```
$ # Depending on your OS
$ # Ubuntu
$ sudo apt install rabbitmq
$ # Arch Linux
$ sudo pacman -S rabbitmq
```

3.4.2 Using tox

Install pip install tox and run:

```
$ tox
$ tox -e py38 # If this is what you have installed or don't want to bother testing_

→for other versions
```

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