
PyJSON5 Documentation

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A JSON5 serializer and parser library for Python 3 written in Cython.

The serializer returns ASCII data that can safely be used in an HTML template. Apostrophes, ampersands, greater-than, and less-than signs are encoded as unicode escaped sequences. E.g. this snippet is safe for any and all input:

```
"<a onclick='alert(" + encode(data) + ")'>show message</a>"
```

Unless the input contains infinite or NaN values, the result will be valid JSON data.

All valid JSON5 1.0.0 and JSON data can be read, unless the nesting level is absurdly high.

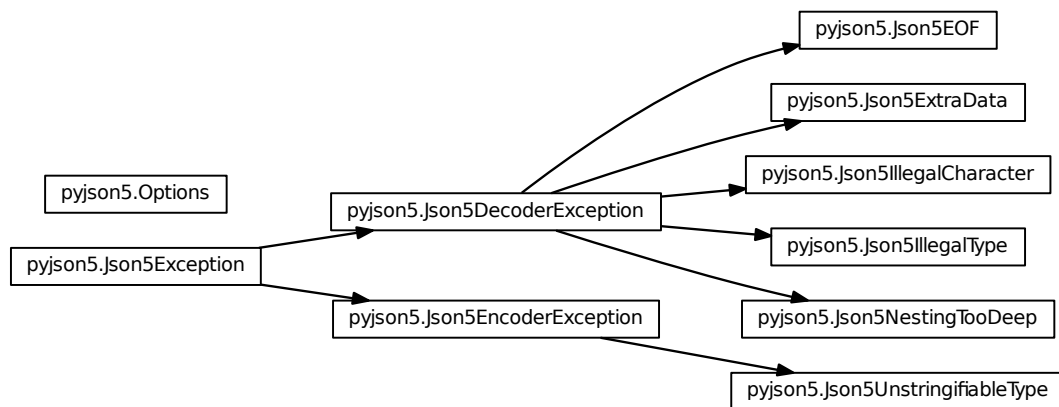
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CHAPTER 1

Function summary

<i>decode</i> (data[, maxdepth, some])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from an <code>str</code> object.
<i>decode_buffer</i> (obj[, maxdepth, some, wordlength])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from an object that supports the buffer protocol, e.g.
<i>decode_callback</i> (cb[, maxdepth, some, args])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data by invoking a callback.
<i>decode_io</i> (fp[, maxdepth, some])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a file-like object.
<i>decode_latin1</i> (data[, maxdepth, some])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a <code>bytes</code> object.
<i>dump</i> (obj, fp, **kw)	Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.
<i>dumps</i> (obj, **kw)	Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.
<i>encode</i> (data, *[, options])	Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.
<i>encode_bytes</i> (data, *[, options])	Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible bytes string.
<i>encode_callback</i> (data, cb[, supply_bytes, ...])	Serializes a Python object into a callback function.
<i>encode_io</i> (data, fp[, supply_bytes, options])	Serializes a Python object into a file-object.
<i>encode_noop</i> (data, *[, options])	Test if the input is serializable.
<i>load</i> (fp, **kw)	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a file-like object.
<i>loads</i> (s, *[, encoding])	Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a string.

Class / exception summary



CHAPTER 3

Full description

`pyjson5.decode(data, maxdepth=None, some=False)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from an `str` object.

```
decode('["Hello", "world!"]') == ['Hello', 'world!']
```

Parameters

- **data** (*unicode*) – JSON5 serialized data
- **maxdepth** (*Optional[int]*) – Maximum nesting level before are the parsing is aborted.
 - If `None` is supplied, then the value of the global variable `DEFAULT_MAX_NESTING_LEVEL` is used instead.
 - If the value is 0, then only literals are accepted, e.g. `false`, `47.11`, or `"string"`.
 - If the value is negative, then the any nesting level is allowed until Python's recursion limit is hit.
- **some** (*bool*) – Allow trailing junk.

Raises

- *Json5DecoderException* – An exception occurred while decoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns Deserialized data.

Return type `object`

`pyjson5.decode_latin1(data, maxdepth=None, some=False)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a `bytes` object.

```
decode_buffer(b'["Hello", "world!"]') == ['Hello', 'world!']
```

Parameters

- **data** (*bytes*) – JSON5 serialized data, encoded as Latin-1 or ASCII.
- **maxdepth** (*Optional[int]*) – see *decode(...)*
- **some** (*bool*) – see *decode(...)*

Raises

- *Json5DecoderException* – An exception occurred while decoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns see *decode(...)*

Return type *object*

`pyjson5.decode_buffer(obj, maxdepth=None, some=False, wordlength=None)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from an object that supports the buffer protocol, e.g. bytearray.

```
obj = memoryview(b'["Hello", "world!"]')
decode_buffer(obj) == ['Hello', 'world!']
```

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – JSON5 serialized data. The argument must support Python's buffer protocol, i.e. `memoryview(...)` must work. The buffer must be contiguous.
- **maxdepth** (*Optional[int]*) – see *decode(...)*
- **some** (*bool*) – see *decode(...)*
- **wordlength** (*Optional[int]*) – Must be 1, 2, 4 to denote UCS1, USC2 or USC4 data. Surrogates are not supported. Decode the data to an `str` if need be. If `None` is supplied, then the buffer's `itemsize` is used.

Raises

- *Json5DecoderException* – An exception occurred while decoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.
- *ValueError* – The value of `wordlength` was invalid.

Returns see *decode(...)*

Return type *object*

`pyjson5.decode_callback(cb, maxdepth=None, some=False, args=None)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data by invoking a callback.

```
cb = iter('["Hello","world!"]').__next__
decode_callback(cb) == ['Hello', 'world!']
```

Parameters

- **cb** (*Callable[Any, Union[str|bytes|bytearray|int|None]]*) – A function to get values from. The function is called like `cb(*args)`, and it returns:
 - **str, bytes, bytearray:** `len(...)` == 0 denotes exhausted input. `len(...)` == 1 is the next character.

- **int:** < 0 denotes exhausted input. >= 0 is the ordinal value of the next character.
- **None:** input exhausted
- **maxdepth** (*Optional[int]*) – see *decode(...)*
- **some** (*bool*) – see *decode(...)*
- **args** (*Optional[Iterable[Any]]*) – Arguments to call cb with.

Raises

- *Json5DecoderException* – An exception occurred while decoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns see *decode(...)***Return type** *object*`pyjson5.decode_io(fp, maxdepth=None, some=True)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a file-like object.

```
fp = io.StringIO("""
    ['Hello', /* TODO look into specs whom to greet */]
    'Wolrd' // FIXME: look for typos
""")

decode_io(fp) == ['Hello']
decode_io(fp) == 'Wolrd'

fp.seek(0)

decode_io(fp, some=False)
# raises Json5ExtraData('Extra data U+0027 near 56', ['Hello'], '')
```

Parameters

- **fp** (*IOBase*) – A file-like object to parse from.
- **maxdepth** (*Optional[int] = None*) – see *decode(...)*
- **some** (*bool*) – see *decode(...)*

Raises

- *Json5DecoderException* – An exception occurred while decoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns see *decode(...)***Return type** *object*`pyjson5.encode(data, *, options=None, **options_kw)`

Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.

```
encode(['Hello', 'world!']) == '["Hello","world!"]'
```

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – Python object to serialize.

- **options** (*Optional[Options]*) – Extra options for the encoder. If **options** and **options_kw** are specified, then `options.update(**options_kw)` is used.
- **options_kw** – See Option's arguments.

Raises

- *Json5EncoderException* – An exception occurred while encoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns

Unless `float('inf')` or `float('nan')` is encountered, the result will be valid JSON data (as of RFC8259).

The result is always ASCII. All characters outside of the ASCII range are encoded.

The result safe to use in an HTML template, e.g. `<a onclick='alert({{ encode(url) }})'>show message</a>`. Apostrophes `"'` are encoded as `"\u0027"`, less-than, greater-than, and ampersand likewise.

Return type `str`

`pyjson5.encode_bytes(data, *, options=None, **options_kw)`
Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible bytes string.

```
encode_bytes(['Hello', 'world!']) == b'["Hello","world!"]'
```

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options** (*Optional[Options]*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options_kw** – see *encode(...)*

Raises

- *Json5EncoderException* – An exception occurred while encoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns see *encode(...)*

Return type `bytes`

`pyjson5.encode_callback(data, cb, supply_bytes=False, *, options=None, **options_kw)`
Serializes a Python object into a callback function.

The callback function `cb` gets called with single characters and strings until the input `data` is fully serialized.

```
encode_callback(['Hello', 'world!'], print)
#prints:
# [
# "
# Hello
# "
# ,
# "
# world!
# "
# ]
```

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – see *encode(...)*
- **cb** (*Callable[[Union[bytes|str]], None]*) – A callback function. Depending on the truthiness of `supply_bytes` either `bytes` or `str` is supplied.
- **supply_bytes** (*bool*) – Call `cb(...)` with a `bytes` argument if `true`, otherwise `str`.
- **options** (*Optional[Options]*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options_kw** – see *encode(...)*

Raises

- *Json5EncoderException* – An exception occurred while encoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns The supplied argument `cb`.

Return type `Callable[[Union[bytes|str]], None]`

`pyjson5.encode_io(data, fp, supply_bytes=True, *, options=None, **options_kw)`
Serializes a Python object into a file-object.

The return value of `fp.write(...)` is not checked. If `fp` is unbuffered, then the result will be garbage!

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – see *encode(...)*
- **fp** (*IOBase*) – A file-like object to serialize into.
- **supply_bytes** (*bool*) – Call `fp.write(...)` with a `bytes` argument if `true`, otherwise `str`.
- **options** (*Optional[Options]*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options_kw** – see *encode(...)*

Raises

- *Json5EncoderException* – An exception occurred while encoding.
- *TypeError* – An argument had a wrong type.

Returns The supplied argument `fp`.

Return type `IOBase`

`pyjson5.encode_noop(data, *, options=None, **options_kw)`
Test if the input is serializable.

Most likely you want to serialize `data` directly, and catch exceptions instead of using this function!

```
encode_noop({47: 11}) == True
encode_noop({47: object()}) == False
```

Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options** (*Optional[Options]*) – see *encode(...)*
- **options_kw** – see *encode(...)*

Returns `True` iff `data` is serializable.

Return type `bool`

class `pyjson5.Options`

Customizations for the `encoder_*` (...) function family.

Immutable. Use `Options.update(**kw)` to create a new `Options` instance.

Parameters

- **`tojson`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: A special method to call on objects to return a custom JSON encoded string. Must return ASCII data!
 - **False**: No such member exists. (Default.)
 - **None**: Use default.
- **`posinfinity`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: String to represent positive infinity. Must be ASCII.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if `float('+inf')` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "Infinity".
- **`neginfinity`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: String to represent negative infinity. Must be ASCII.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if `float('-inf')` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "-Infinity".
- **`nan`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: String to represent not-a-number. Must be ASCII.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if `float('NaN')` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "NaN".
- **`intformat`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: Format string to use with `int`.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if an `int` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "%d".
- **`floatformat`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: Format string to use with `float`.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if a `float` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "%.6e".
- **`decimalformat`** (*str/False/None*) –
 - **str**: Format string to use with `Decimal`.
 - **False**: Throw an exception if a `Decimal` is encountered.
 - **None**: Use default: "%s".
- **`mappingtypes`** (*Iterable[type]/False/None*) –
 - **Iterable[type]**: Classes the should be encoded to objects. Must be iterable over their keys, and implement `__getitem__`.

- **False:** There are no objects. Any object will be encoded as list of key-value tuples.
- **None:** Use default: `[collections.abc.Mapping]`.

decimalformat

The creation argument `decimalformat`. None if `False` was specified.

floatformat

The creation argument `floatformat`. None if `False` was specified.

intformat

The creation argument `intformat`. None if `False` was specified.

mappingtypes

The creation argument `mappingtypes`. `()` if `False` was specified.

nan

The creation argument `nan`. None if `False` was specified.

neginfinity

The creation argument `neginfinity`. None if `False` was specified.

posinfinity

The creation argument `posinfinity`. None if `False` was specified.

tojson

The creation argument `tojson`. None if `False` was specified.

update (*self*, ***kw*)

Creates a new `Options` instance by modifying some members.

`pyjson5.loads(s, *, encoding='UTF-8', **kw)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a string.

Use `decode(...)` instead!

```
loads(s) == decode(s)
```

Parameters

- **s** (*object*) – Unless the argument is an `str`, it gets decoded according to the parameter `encoding`.
- **encoding** (*str*) – Codec to use if `s` is not an `str`.
- **kw** – Silently ignored.

Returns see `decode(...)`

Return type `object`

`pyjson5.load(fp, **kw)`

Decodes JSON5 serialized data from a file-like object.

Use `decode_io(...)` instead!

```
load(fp) == decode_io(fp, None, False)
```

Parameters

- **fp** (*IOBase*) – A file-like object to parse from.
- **kw** – Silently ignored.

Returns see `decode(...)`

Return type `object`

`pyjson5.dumps(obj, **kw)`

Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.

Use `encode(...)` instead!

```
dumps(obj) == encode(obj)
```

Parameters

- **obj** (*object*) – Python object to serialize.
- **kw** – Silently ignored.

Returns see `encode(data)`

Return type `unicode`

`pyjson5.dump(obj, fp, **kw)`

Serializes a Python object to a JSON5 compatible unicode string.

Use `encode_io(...)` instead!

```
dump(obj, fp) == encode_io(obj, fp)
```

Parameters

- **obj** (*object*) – Python object to serialize.
- **fp** (*IOBase*) – A file-like object to serialize into.
- **kw** – Silently ignored.

exception `pyjson5.Json5Exception(message=None, *args)`

Base class of any exception thrown by PyJSON5.

message

Human readable error description

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception `pyjson5.Json5EncoderException`

Base class of any exception thrown by the serializer.

message

Human readable error description

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception `pyjson5.Json5UnstringifiableType(message=None, unstringifiable=None)`

The encoder was not able to stringify the input, or it was told not to by the supplied `Options`.

message

Human readable error description

unstringifiable

The value that caused the problem.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5DecoderException(*message=None, result=None, *args*)

Base class of any exception thrown by the parser.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5NestingTooDeep

The maximum nesting level on the input data was exceeded.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5EOF

The input ended prematurely.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5IllegalCharacter(*message=None, result=None, character=None, *args*)

An unexpected character was encountered.

character

Extraneous character.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5ExtraData(*message=None, result=None, character=None, *args*)

The input contained extraneous data.

character

Extraneous character.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

exception pyjson5.Json5IllegalType (message=None, result=None, value=None, *args)

The user supplied callback function returned illegal data.

message

Human readable error description

result

Deserialized data up until now.

value

Value that caused the problem.

with_traceback()

Exception.with_traceback(tb) – set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.

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