
S3M Documentation

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

One of the problems of the built-in *sqlite3* module is that doesn't work very well with multithreading. S3M - is a wrapper of *sqlite3* that allows you to easily do multithreading:

- It locks parallel database operations so that only one can run at a time.
- It can also lock transactions (enabled by default) so that only one transaction can be active at a time.
- You won't get an *OperationalError* saying that the database is locked. All the database operations will just run in a queue.

Keep in mind that this library can only help you with **threads**, not **processes**.

1.1 What else is different from *sqlite3*?

- You can freely share connections between threads (not that you have to), given `check_same_thread=False`.
- You can use the `with` statement with the connection object to acquire the locks.

1.2 Example

```
import random
import threading

# Try replacing 's3m' with 'sqlite3' and see what happens
import s3m

# Open the database file,
# isolation_level=None is needed to prevent sqlite3 from starting transactions on its
↳ own
conn = s3m.connect("s3m_example.db", isolation_level=None)
```

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```
# Create table if it doesn't already exist
conn.execute("CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS numbers(number INTEGER)")

def thread_func():
    conn = s3m.connect("s3m_example.db", isolation_level=None)
    conn.execute("BEGIN IMMEDIATE")
    conn.execute("INSERT INTO numbers VALUES(?)", (random.randint(1, 100),))

    # Imagine there's some intense database work going on
    time.sleep(1)

    conn.commit()

# Make 10 threads
threads = [threading.Thread(target=thread_func) for i in range(10)]

# Start them
for thread in threads:
    thread.start()

for thread in threads:
    thread.join()

# Now let's look at what we got
result = conn.execute("SELECT * FROM numbers").fetchall()
print(result)
```

As you can see from this example, the usage is pretty much the same as with built-in *sqlite3*.

CHAPTER 2

Installation

Run

```
pip install s3m
```

or

```
python setup.py install
```


S3M - sqlite3 wrapper for multithreaded applications

`s3m.connect` (*path*, *lock_transactions=True*, *lock_timeout=-1*, *single_cursor_mode=False*, *factory=<class 's3m.Connection'>*, **args*, ***kwargs*)
 Analogous to `sqlite3.connect()`

Parameters

- **path** – Path to the database
- **lock_transactions** – If *True*, parallel transactions will be blocked
- **lock_timeout** – Maximum amount of time the connection is allowed to wait for a lock. If the timeout is exceeded, *LockTimeoutError* will be thrown. -1 disables the timeout.
- **single_cursor_mode** – Use only one cursor (default: *True*)
- **factory** – Connection class (default: *Connection*)

class `s3m.Connection` (*path*, *lock_transactions=True*, *lock_timeout=-1*, *single_cursor_mode=False*, **args*, ***kwargs*)

The connection class. It won't let multiple database operations execute in parallel. It can also block parallel transactions (with *lock_transactions=True*).

with statement is also supported, it acquires the locks, thus blocking all the competing threads. This can be useful to ensure that database queries will complete in the specified order.

Parameters

- **path** – Path to the database
- **lock_transactions** – If *True*, parallel transactions will be blocked
- **lock_timeout** – Maximum amount of time the connection is allowed to wait for a lock. If the timeout is exceeded, *LockTimeoutError* will be thrown. -1 disables the timeout.
- **single_cursor_mode** – Use only one cursor (default: *True*)

acquire (*lock_transactions=None*)

Acquire the connection locks.

Parameters **lock_transactions** – *bool*, acquire the transaction lock
(*self.lock_transactions* is the default value)

arraysize

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.arraysize`

Works only in single cursor mode.

close()

Close the connection

commit()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.commit`

create_aggregate(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.create_aggregate`

create_collation(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.create_collation`

create_function(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.create_function`

cursor()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.cursor`

description

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.description`

Works only in single cursor mode.

enable_load_extension(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.enable_load_extension`

execute(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.execute`

executemany(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.executemany`

executescript(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.executescript`

fetchall()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchall`.

Works only in single cursor mode.

fetchmany(*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchmany`.

Works only in single cursor mode.

fetchone()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchone`.

Works only in single cursor mode.

in_transaction

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.in_transaction`

interrupt()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.interrupt`

isolation_level
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.isolation_level`

iterdump (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.iterdump`

lastrowid
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.lastrowid`.
Works only in single cursor mode.

load_extension (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.load_extension`

release (lock_transactions=None)
Release the connection locks.

Parameters **lock_transactions** – *bool*, release the transaction lock
(*self.lock_transactions* is the default value)

rollback ()
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.rollback`

row_factory
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.row_factory`

rowcount
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.rowcount`.
Works only in single cursor mode.

set_authorizer (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.set_authorizer`

set_progress_handler (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.set_progress_handler`

set_trace_callback (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.set_trace_callback`

text_factory
Analogous to `sqlite3.Connection.text_factory`

class `s3m.Cursor` (connection)
The cursor class, analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor`.

arraysize
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.arraysize`

close ()
Close the cursor

connection
Connection used by the cursor

description
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.description`

execute (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.execute`

Returns *self*

executemany (*args, **kwargs)
Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.executemany`

Returns self

executescript (*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.executescript`

Returns self

fetchall ()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchall`

fetchmany (*args, **kwargs)

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchmany`

fetchone ()

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.fetchone`

lastrowid

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.lastrowid`

rowcount

Analogous to `sqlite3.Cursor.rowcount`

exception `s3m.S3MError`

The base class of all the other exceptions in this module

exception `s3m.LockTimeoutError` (*conn*, *msg=None*)

Thrown when `Lock.acquire()` took too long

3.1 Using with statement

The *Connection* (as well as *Cursor*) object supports the `with` statement. It acquires the locks which will result either in the current thread waiting for other threads or making other threads wait until the current thread exits the `with` block.

```
conn = s3m.connect("database.db", ...)
...

with conn: # This blocks other threads
    conn.execute(<something>)
    conn.execute(<something else>)

# The other threads are no longer blocked
```

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