

tdda library: REFERENCE TEST QUICK REFERENCE

COMMAND-LINE FLAGS

--write-all	<i>Re-write all reference result files</i>
--write kind1 [kind2...]	<i>Re-write reference results of specified kind(s) only</i>
--tagged	<i>Run only tests decorated with @tag.</i>

REFERENCE TESTS FOR CSV FILES & PANDAS DATAFRAMES

TEST ITEM	REFERENCE ITEM	METHOD
Generated CSV File	Expected CSV File	<code>assertCSVFileCorrect(actual_path, ref_csv, ...)</code>
Generated CSV Files	Expected CSV Files	<code>assertCSVFilesCorrect(actual_paths, ref_csvs, ...)</code>
DataFrame	Expected DF in CSV	<code>assertDataFrameCorrect(df, ref_csv, ...)</code>
DataFrame	Expected DataFrame	<code>assertDataFramesEqual(df, ref_df, ...)</code>

COMMON OPTIONAL PARAMETERS

NAME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
kind	string	<i>Optional classification; allows only selected outputs to be rewritten</i>
csv_read_fn	function	<i>Optional function for reading CSV file (default: <code>pd.read_csv</code>) *</i>
precision	int	<i>Number of decimal places to check (default: no rounding).</i>
**kwargs	(variable)	<i>Unknown parameters are passed straight through to CSV reading function</i>

* Default CSV reader parameters same as for constraints; see [overleaf](#).

REFERENCE TESTS FOR STRINGS & TEXT FILES

TEST ITEM	REFERENCE ITEM	METHOD
Generated Text File	Expected text file	<code>assertFileCorrect(actual_path, ref_path, ...)</code>
Generated Text	Expected text files	<code>assertFilesCorrect(actual_paths, ref_paths, ...)</code>

COMMON OPTIONAL PARAMETERS

NAME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
kind	string	<i>Optional classification; allows only selected outputs to be rewritten</i>
lstrip	boolean	<i>If <code>True</code>, lines are left-stripped (of whitespace) before comparison</i>
rstrip	boolean	<i>If <code>True</code>, lines are right-stripped (of whitespace) before comparison</i>
ignore_substrings	list	<i>Lines containing any string in list are ignored</i>
ignore_patterns	list	<i>Lines matching any regular expressions in list are ignored</i>

REFERENCE TESTS UNDER `unittest`

test_my_module.py: (Run this to run the test under `unittest`)

```
from tdda.referencetest import ReferenceTestCase, tag
import my_module

class MyTest(ReferenceTestCase):
    def test_my_csv_file(self):
        result = my_module.produce_a_csv_file(self.tmp_dir)
        self.assertCSVFileCorrect(result, 'result.csv')

MyTest.set_default_data_location('testdata')

if __name__ == '__main__':
    ReferenceTestCase.main()
```

REFERENCE TESTS UNDER `pytest`

conftest.py: (Required to define fixtures for use in `pytest`)

```
import pytest
from tdda.referencetest import referencepytest, tag

def pytest_addoption(parser):
    referencepytest.addoption(parser)

def pytest_collection_modifyitems(session, config, items):
    referencepytest.tagged(config, items)

@pytest.fixture(scope='module')
def ref(request):
    return referencepytest.ref(request)

referencepytest.set_default_data_location('testdata')
```

test_my_module.py: (Run `pytest`, which should discover this file and run the test)

```
from tdda.referencetest import referencepytest
import my_module

def test_my_csv_function(ref):
    resultfile = my_module.produce_a_csv_file(ref.tmp_dir)
    ref.assertCSVFileCorrect(resultfile, 'result.csv')

referencepytest.set_default_data_location('testdata')
```

INSTALLATION

STANDARD: `pip install tdda`

SOURCE: `git clone https://github.com/tdda/tdda.git`

COPY EXAMPLES: `tdda examples`

DOCUMENTATION: <http://tdda.readthedocs.io/en/latest/referencetest.html>

tdda library : CONSTRAINTS QUICK REFERENCE

COMMAND-LINE

DISCOVER: `tdda discover input [constraints.tdda]`

Generates constraints satisfied by `input` data, saving them to file `constraints.tdda` (else `stdout`).

`input` is taken to be a CSV file unless the extension is `.feather`, in which case it is assumed to be a Feather file (see <https://pypi.python.org/pypi/feather-format/>). If prefixed with a known database, e.g. `postgres:table`, `input` can be a database table, with connection details specified in `~/.tdda_db_conn_postgres`.

VERIFY: `tdda verify [FLAGS] input constraints.tdda`

Reports any constraints from `constraints.tdda` not satisfied by `input` data.

- `-a, --all` Report all fields, even if there are no failures
- `-f, --fields` Report only fields with failures

DETECT: `tdda detect [FLAGS] input constraints.tdda output`

Like `verify`, but writes failing records (or their line numbers, index or keys) to `output`.

- `--write-all` Write all records (passes as well as fails)

REXPY: `rexpy [FLAGS] [input [output]]`

Generates one or more regular expressions that (together) characterize all the strings in `input`.

CONSTRAINT TYPES & APPLICABILITY IN TDDA FILES

KIND	DESCRIPTION	BOOLEAN	NUMERIC	DATE	STRING
<code>min / min-len</code>	Minimum allowed value; on verification interpreted with proportionate tolerance <code>epsilon</code> .	✓	✓	✓	✓ le
<code>max / max-len</code>	Maximum allowed value; on verification interpreted with proportionate tolerance <code>epsilon</code> .	✓	✓	✓	✓ le
<code>sign</code>	"positive", "non-negative", "zero", "non-positive" or "negative".	✓	✓	✗	✗
<code>max_nulls</code>	0 if nulls not allowed. Can be higher values (in particular, 1).	✓	✓	✓	✓
<code>no_duplicates</code>	<code>true</code> if duplicates are not allowed.	✓	✓	✓	✓
<code>allowed_values</code>	list of values; every string must be one of these	✗	✗	✗	✓
<code>rex</code>	list of regular expressions; strings must match at least one.	✗	✗	✗	✓

In all cases, a constraint value of `null` is equivalent to not supplying a constraint.

DEFAULT CSV READER PARAMETERS

```
index_col=None,
infer_datetime_format=True,
quotechar='"',
quoting=csv.QUOTE_MINIMAL,
escapechar='\\',
na_values=['', 'NaN', 'NULL'],
keep_default_na=False
```

CONSTRAINT DISCOVERY API

Given a Pandas DataFrame `df`, this code will discover constraints and write them to `constraints.tdda`.

```
from tdda.constraints import discover_df
constraints = discover_df(df)
with open('constraints.tdda', 'w') as f:
    f.write(constraints.to_json())
```

The `constraints` object returned is a `DatasetConstraints` object.

CONSTRAINT VERIFICATION API

Given a Pandas DataFrame `df` and a TDDA file `constraints.tdda`, this code will verify the DataFrame against the constraints

```
from tdda.constraints import verify_df
verification = verify_df(df, 'constraints.tdda')
constraints_df = verification.to_frame()
```

The `verification` object returned is a `PandasVerification` object, which has a `to_frame` method as shown. It also has attributes `passes` and `failures`, which count the number of passing and failing constraints respectively.

OPTIONAL PARAMETERS FOR `verify_df`

NAME	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
<code>epsilon</code>	<code>float</code>	Constraint tolerance (default <code>0.0</code> i.e. 0%)
<code>type-checking</code>	<code>string</code>	'strict' or 'sloppy' (default 'sloppy', i.e. accept similar types)
<code>report</code>	<code>string</code>	'all' or 'fields' (default 'all', i.e. show even fields for which all constraints pass)

ANOMALY DETECTION API

Given a Pandas DataFrame `df` and a TDDA file `constraints.tdda`, this code will verify the DataFrame against the constraints and construct a DataFrame `bads_df` containing failing records.

```
from tdda.constraints import detect_df
v = detect_df(df, 'constraints.tdda')
bads_df = v.detected()
```

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