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# pyforkurento

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# SETUP

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`pyforkurento` is a Python client for [Kurento Media Server](#) (KMS). This SDK was built because (currently) only Node, Angular and Bower clients exist.

The documentation for this SDK project is organized into different sections:

- *Setup*
- *Recipes*
- *API Reference*



## SETUP

### 1. Install Kurento Media Server

```
sudo docker run --name kms -d -p 8888:8888 kurento/kurento-media-server
```

### 2. Install pyforkurento

```
pip install pyforkurento
```

3. pyforkurento runs as an application server. You'll need to install relevant packages for the web or mobile client For Node, Angular etc.

```
npm install kurento-utils
```

For vanilla Javascript, the steps are:

#### I. Install Node and NPM

#### II. Install Bower

#### III. Unpack Kurento-Utils using Bower. In any dir:

```
bower install kurento-utils
```

Inside `bower\_components/kurento\_utils/js` find the file `kurento-utils.min.js`. Copy it to your working area





## OPTIONAL SETUP

### 1. To use GStreamer filters

```
sudo apt-get install libgstreamer1.0-0 gstreamer1.0-plugins-base gstreamer1.0-plugins-  
→good gstreamer1.0-plugins-bad gstreamer1.0-plugins-ugly gstreamer1.0-libav_  
→gstreamer1.0-doc gstreamer1.0-tools gstreamer1.0-x gstreamer1.0-alsa gstreamer1.0-  
→gl gstreamer1.0-gtk3 gstreamer1.0-qt5 gstreamer1.0-pulseaudio
```

### 2. To develop custom filters

```
sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install --yes kurento-media-server-dev
```

If you get the error: *Unable to locate package kurento-media-server-dev* try the following:

1. Open [this link](#) in your browser
2. Extract the downloaded folder to a location of choice
3. `cd` into that folder then test using:

```
sh kurento-module-scaffold.sh TestKMSFilter ../custom_kurento_module opencv_filter
```



## RECIPES

**Before** you start using `pyforkurento`, make sure you have a pretty good understanding of KMS. Go through [this refresher](#) first.

Follow the instructions in the [recipes dir](#) here.

### 3.1 Client

**class** `pyforkurento.client.KurentoClient` (*kurento\_server\_url*)

pyforkurento entry point

**create\_media\_pipeline** ()

Create a Media Pipeline. This HAS TO BE the first operation when dealing with KMS. Every other element is created by a pipeline

**Returns**

- MediaPipeline object

**ping** ()

Prints 'pong' if a connection to KMS is available. Otherwise, an exception is thrown

### 3.2 MediaPipeline

**class** `pyforkurento.pipeline.MediaPipeline` (*session\_id, pipeline\_id, client\_class*)

Base class for adding Media Elements to a Media Pipeline

**add\_endpoint** (*endpoint, \*\*kwargs*)

Adds an Endpoint Media Element to the pipeline

**Params:**

- **endpoint (str):** String representing the type of endpoint to create. Accepts:
  - WebRtcEndpoint
  - RtpEndpoint
  - HttpPostEndpoint
  - PlayerEndpoint
  - RecorderEndpoint
- **kwargs:** Optional named arguments for different endpoints:

- `webrtc_recv_only` (bool): Sets a `WebRtcEndpoint` to be a receiver only
- `webrtc_send_only` (bool): Sets a `WebRtcEndpoint` to be a sender only
- `buffer_size` (int): Milliseconds to buffer an RTSP stream in `PlayerEndpoint`
- **`uri` (str): Media URI for `RecorderEndpoint` & `PlayerEndpoint` only.**

\* **For `PlayerEndpoint`, it's the media to be played**

**Accepted URI schemas are:**

- `file:///path/to/file` (File on local file system)
- `rtsp://<server-ip>` (IP camera RTSP URLs)
- `http(s)://<server-ip>/path/to/file` (File on HTTP server)

\* **For `RecorderEndpoint`, it's the location to record to**

**Accepted URI schemas are:**

- `file:///path/to/file` (File on local file system)
- `http(s)://<server-ip>/path/to/file` (File on HTTP server)

**Returns**

- Object of the requested endpoint

**`add_hub` (*hub*, *\*\*kwargs*)**

Adds a Hub Media Element to the pipeline

**Params:**

- **`hub` (str): String representing the type of hub to create. Accepts:**
  - Composite
  - Dispatcher
  - DispatcherOneToMany

**Returns**

- Object of the requested hub

**`apply_filter` (*filter*, *\*\*kwargs*)**

Applies a Filter to the stream

**Params:**

- **`filter` (str): String representing the type of filter to create. Accepts:**
  - `FaceOverlayFilter` - Overlays an image on a face detected
  - `ZBarFilter` - Triggers an event when a QR code is detected
  - `GStreamerFilter` - (<https://gstreamer.freedesktop.org/documentation/installing/index.html>)
  - `ImageOverlayFilter` - Overlays an image on the stream
- **`kwargs`: Optional named arguments for different endpoints:**
  - **`command` (str):** The gstreamer command (<https://gstreamer.freedesktop.org/documentation/tools/gst-launch.html>)
  - **`filter_type` (str):** The type of the gstreamer filter (AUDIO, VIDEO, or AUTODETECT)  
The textoverlay command DOES NOT work

**If a command is unrecognised, you might be missing a filter. Try:**

```
sudo apt install libgstreamer-plugins-bad1.0 libgstreamer-plugins-  
base1.0 libgstreamer-plugins-good1.0 libgstreamer-plugins-ugly1.0
```

**Returns**

- Object of the requested filter

### 3.3 Media Element

**class** pyforkurento.media\_element.**MediaElement** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Base class for ALL media elements i.e. Endpoints, Filters, and Hubs

**\_add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

[DO NOT OVERRIDE!!] Adds event listeners for events that all Media Elements can implement

**Params:**

- **event: The event to listen for. Accepted:**
  - MediaFlowIn - Invoked when media is ready for recording
  - MediaFlowOut - Invoked when media is no longer ready for recording
  - EndOfStream - Invoked when the stream that the element sends out is finished.
  - ElementConnected - Indicates that an element has been connected to other.
  - ElementDisconnected - Indicates that an element has been disconnected.
  - Error: An error related to the MediaObject has occurred.
- **callback:** Function to be called when event is registered

### 3.4 Endpoints

**class** pyforkurento.endpoints.**Endpoint** (*sess\_id, point\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.media\_element.MediaElement*

All endpoints base class

**class** pyforkurento.endpoints.**PlayerEndpoint** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.endpoints.Endpoint*

An input endpoint that retrieves content from file system, HTTP URL or RTSP URL and injects it into the media pipeline.

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific PlayerEndpoint event or a general MediaElement event

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect PlayerEndpoint to another element

**Params:** sink\_elem (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**pause** ()

Pause playing the media item

**play** ()

Start playing the media item

**stop** ()

Stop playing the media item

**class** pyforkurento.endpoints.**WebRTCEndpoint** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.endpoints.Endpoint*

An output and input endpoint that provides media streaming for Real Time Communications (RTC) through the web. It implements WebRTC technology to communicate with browsers.

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific WebRTCEndpoint event or a general MediaElement event

**Params:**

- **event (str): The event to listen for. Accepted:**
  - OnIceCandidate - Invoked when KMS starts generating ICE candidates
  - OnIceGatheringDone - Invoked when KMS is done gathering ICE candidates
- **callback (func):** Function to be called when event is registered

**add\_ice\_candidate** (*candidate*)

Adds Ice Candidate received from the WebRTC client to KMS

**Params:**

- **candidate (ICE):** The ICE Candidate from the client

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect WebRTCEndpoint to another element

**Params:** *sink\_elem* (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**gather\_ice\_candidates** ()

Triggers ICE candidate generation by KMS. Call this method AFTER adding an event listener for 'OnIceCandidate'

**process\_offer** (*session\_desc\_offer*)

Process the Session Description Protocol offer generated by the client

**Params:**

- **session\_desc\_offer (str):** SDP payload from a WebRTC client

**Returns** SDP answer from KMS. If a problem occurred, *sdp\_answer* is set to be 'error'

**Return type**

- *sdp\_answer* (str)

**class** `pyforkurento.endpoints.RecorderEndpoint` (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: `pyforkurento.endpoints.Endpoint`

An output endpoint that provides function to store contents in reliable mode (doesn't discard data).

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific RecorderEndpoint event or a general MediaElement event

**Params:**

- **event (str): The event to listen for. Accepted:**
  - Recording - Invoked when the media recording effectively starts
- **callback (func):** Function to be called when event is registered

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect RecorderEndpoint to another element

**Params:** *sink\_elem* (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**record** ()

Start the recording the media item

**stop** ()

Stops the recording

**class** `pyforkurento.endpoints.RTPEndpoint` (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: `pyforkurento.endpoints.Endpoint`

An output and input endpoint. That is, provides bidirectional content delivery capabilities with remote networked peers through RTP protocol.

**class** pyforkurento.endpoints.**HTTPPostEndpoint** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.endpoints.Endpoint*

An input endpoint that accepts media using http POST requests like HTTP file upload function.

## 3.5 Filters

**class** pyforkurento.filters.**Filter** (*sess\_id, filter\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.media\_element.MediaElement*

All filters base class

**class** pyforkurento.filters.**FaceOverlayFilter** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.filters.Filter*

Detects faces in a video stream and overlays them with a configurable image.

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific FaceOverlayFilter event or a general MediaElement event

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect FaceOverlayFilter to another element

**Params:** sink\_elem (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**set\_face\_overlay\_image** (*image\_uri, offset\_x=0.0, offset\_y=0.0, width=1.0, height=1.0*)

Sets the image to overlay on a detected face

**Params:**

- **image\_uri (str): Location of image to use. Accepted URI schemas are:**
  - *file:///path/to/file* (File on local file system)
  - *http(s)://<server-ip>/path/to/file* (File on HTTP server)
- **offset\_x (float):** How much left or right (a ratio of face width) to move the image in reference to detected face's upper right corner coordinates
- **offset\_y (float):** How much up or down (a ratio of face height) to move the image in reference to detected face's upper right corner coordinates
- **width (float) >=0.0 :** How much of the face's width the image should cover e.g. 1.0 means cover the entire width
- **height (float) >=0.0:** How much of the face's height the image should cover e.g. 1.0 means cover the entire height

**unset\_face\_overlay\_image** ()

Removes the image overlayed on faces

**class** pyforkurento.filters.**ImageOverlayFilter** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.filters.Filter*

Overlays a configurable image on the video stream

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific ImageOverlayFilter event or a general MediaElement event

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect ImageOverlayFilter to another element

**Params:** sink\_elem (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**overlay\_image** (*image\_uri, image\_id, offset\_x=0.0, offset\_y=0.0, relative\_width=1.0, relative\_height=1.0, keep\_aspect\_ratio=True, to\_centre=True*)

Draws an image on the video feed at the specified location

**Params:**

- **image\_id** (str): A unique identifier for the image. Recommendation: str(uuid.uuid4())
- **image\_uri** (str): **Location of image to use. Accepted URI schemas are:**
  - `file:///path/to/file` (File on local file system)
  - `http(s)://<server-ip>/path/to/file` (File on HTTP server)
- **offset\_x** (float) [0 - 1]: Percentage of image width to set overlay image left upper conner X coords
- **offset\_y** (float) [0 - 1]: Percentage of image height to set overlay image left upper conner Y coords
- **relative\_width** (float) [0 - 1]: Width of the overlay image in relation to the video stream e.g. 1.0 means full width
- **relative\_height** (float) [0 - 1]: Height of the overlay image in relation to the video stream e.g. 1.0 means full height
- **keep\_aspect\_ratio** (bool): Whether to keep the image's aspect ratio
- **to\_centre** (bool): Whether to centre the image in the region defined

**remove\_image** ()

Remove the overlayed image from the stream

**class** pyforkurento.filters.**ZBarFilter** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: `pyforkurento.filters.Filter`

Detects QR and bar codes in a video stream. When a code is found, the filter raises a CodeFoundEvent

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific ZBarFilter event or a general MediaElement event

**Params:**

- **event** (str): **The event to listen for. Accepted:**
  - CodeFoundEvent - Triggered when a BarCode or QR code is found in the video stream
- **callback** (func): Function to be called when event is registered

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect ZBarFilter to another element

**Params:** sink\_elem (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself

**class** pyforkurento.filters.**GStreamerFilter** (*session\_id, elem\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: `pyforkurento.filters.Filter`

A generic filter interface that allows usage of GStreamer filters in Kurento Media Pipelines.

**add\_event\_listener** (*event, callback*)

Adds an event listener function for a specific GStreamerFilter event or a general MediaElement event

**connect** (*sink\_elem=None*)

Connect GStreamerFilter to another element

**Params:** sink\_elem (obj): Media Element to connect to. If left blank, the element connects to itself



## 3.6 Hubs

**class** pyforkurento.hubs.**Hub**(*sess\_id, hub\_id, pipeline\_class*)

Bases: *pyforkurento.media\_element.MediaElement*

All hubs base class

**class** pyforkurento.hubs.**Composite**

Bases: *pyforkurento.hubs.Hub*

A hub that mixes the audio stream of its connected inputs and constructs a grid with the video streams of them.

**class** pyforkurento.hubs.**Dispatcher**

Bases: *pyforkurento.hubs.Hub*

A hub that allows routing between arbitrary input-output HubPort pairs.

**class** pyforkurento.hubs.**DispatcherOneToMany**

Bases: *pyforkurento.hubs.Hub*

A hub that sends a given input to all the connected output HubPorts.



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