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**PyMassSpec extension for searching mass spectra using
NIST's Mass Spectrum Search Engine.**

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PyMassSpec extension for searching mass spectra using NIST's Spectrum Search Engine

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A copy of the MassBank of North America database, in JSON, MSP and NIST Library formats, is included for the purposes of these tests. This library was created on 22 April 2020 using the “`parse_mona_json.py`” script and Lib2Nist. Licensed under the CC BY 4.0 License. For a list of contributors, see the file `MoNA_GCMS_Library/AUTHORS`.

Installation

1.1 from PyPI

```
$ python3 -m pip install pyms-nist-search --user
```

1.2 from GitHub

```
$ python3 -m pip install git+https://github.com/domdfcoding/pynist@master --user
```


Usage

You will need to supply your own copy of the NIST Mass Spectral library to use this software.

The main class in this library is the *Engine* class. This class performs the actual searching. Start by initialising the search engine as follows:

```
search = pyms_nist_search.Engine(  
    FULL_PATH_TO_MAIN_LIBRARY,  
    pyms_nist_search.NISTMS_MAIN_LIB,  
    FULL_PATH_TO_WORK_DIR,  
)
```

Where `FULL_PATH_TO_MAIN_LIBRARY` is the path to the location of your mass spectral library, and `FULL_PATH_TO_WORK_DIR` is the path to the working directory to be used by the search engine.

A `pyms.Spectrum.MassSpectrum` object can then be searched as follows:

```
search.full_search_with_ref_data(mass_spec)
```

This will return a list of tuples consisting of *SearchResult* and *ReferenceData* objects for the possible identities of the mass spectrum.

A list of just the *SearchResult* objects can be obtained with this method:

```
hit_list = search.full_search(mass_spec)
```

For each of these hits, the reference data can be obtained as follows:

```
for hit in hit_list:  
    ref_data = search.get_reference_data(hit.spec_loc)
```


API Reference

PyMassSpec extension for searching mass spectra using NIST's Mass Spectrum Search Engine.

3.1 base

Base class for other PyMassSpec NIST Search classes.

```
class NISTBase (name="", cas='---')
```

Bases: `object`

Base class for other PyMassSpec NIST Search classes.

Parameters

- **name** (`str`) – The name of the compound. Default ' '.
- **cas** (`Union[str, int]`) – The CAS number of the compound. Default '---'.

Methods:

<code>__eq__(other)</code>	Return <code>self == other</code> .
<code>__str__()</code>	Return <code>str(self)</code> .
<code>from_dict(dictionary)</code>	Construct an object from a dictionary.
<code>from_json(json_data)</code>	Construct an object from json data.
<code>from_pynist(pynist_dict)</code>	Create an object from the raw data returned by the C extension.
<code>to_dict()</code>	Convert the object to a dictionary.
<code>to_json()</code>	Convert the object to json.

Attributes:

<code>cas</code>	The CAS number of the compound.
<code>name</code>	The name of the compound.

```
__eq__(other)  
Return self == other.
```

Return type `bool`

```
__str__()  
Return str(self).
```

Return type `str`

property cas

The CAS number of the compound.

Return type `str`

classmethod from_dict (*dictionary*)

Construct an object from a dictionary.

Parameters `dictionary` (`Dict[str, Any]`)

classmethod from_json (*json_data*)

Construct an object from json data.

Parameters `json_data` (`str`)

classmethod from_pynist (*pynist_dict*)

Create an object from the raw data returned by the C extension.

Parameters `pynist_dict` (`Dict[str, Any]`)

property name

The name of the compound.

Return type `str`

to_dict ()

Convert the object to a dictionary.

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type `Dict[str, Any]`

to_json ()

Convert the object to json.

Return type `str`

3.2 docker_engine

Search engine for Linux and other platforms supporting Docker.

Classes:

<code>Engine(lib_path[, lib_type, work_dir, debug])</code>	Search engine for Linux and other platforms supporting Docker.
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Functions:

<code>hit_list_from_json(json_data)</code>	Parse json data into a list of SearchResult objects.
<code>hit_list_with_ref_data_from_json(json_data)</code>	Parse json data into a list of (SearchResult, Reference-Data) tuples.
<code>require_init(func)</code>	Decorator to ensure that functions do not run after the class has been uninitialised.

class Engine (*lib_path, lib_type=1, work_dir=None, debug=False*)

Bases: `object`

Search engine for Linux and other platforms supporting Docker.

The first time the engine is initialized it will download the latest version of the docker image automatically. This can also be performed manually, such as to upgrade to the latest version, with the following command:

```
$ docker pull domdfcoding/pywine-pyms-nist
```

The engine must be uninitialized when no longer required to shut down the underlying docker container. This is achieved with the `uninit()` method. Alternatively, this class can be used as a contextmanager to automatically uninitialized the engine upon leaving the `with` block:

```
with pyms_nist_search.Engine(
    FULL_PATH_TO_MAIN_LIBRARY,
    pyms_nist_search.NISTMS_MAIN_LIB,
    FULL_PATH_TO_WORK_DIR,
) as search:
    search.full_spectrum_search(ms, n_hits=5)
```

Changed in version 0.6.0: Added context manager support.

Methods:

<code>full_search_with_ref_data(mass_spec[, n_hits])</code>	Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library, including reference data.
<code>full_spectrum_search(mass_spec[, n_hits])</code>	Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.
<code>get_reference_data(spec_loc)</code>	Get reference data from the library for the compound at the given location.
<code>spectrum_search(mass_spec[, n_hits])</code>	Perform a Quick Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.
<code>uninit()</code>	Uninitialize the Search Engine.

full_search_with_ref_data (*mass_spec*, *n_hits*=5)

Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library, including reference data.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[Tuple[SearchResult, ReferenceData]]*

Returns List of tuples containing possible identities for the mass spectrum, and the reference data.

full_spectrum_search (*mass_spec*, *n_hits*=5)

Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[SearchResult]*

Returns List of possible identities for the mass spectrum.

get_reference_data (*spec_loc*)

Get reference data from the library for the compound at the given location.

Parameters **spec_loc** (*int*)

Return type *ReferenceData*

spectrum_search (*mass_spec*, *n_hits*=5)

Perform a Quick Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[SearchResult]*

Returns List of possible identities for the mass spectrum.

uninit ()

Uninitialize the Search Engine.

hit_list_from_json (*json_data*)

Parse json data into a list of SearchResult objects.

Parameters **json_data** (*str*) – str

Return type *List[SearchResult]*

hit_list_with_ref_data_from_json (*json_data*)

Parse json data into a list of (SearchResult, ReferenceData) tuples.

Parameters **json_data** (*str*) – str

Return type *List[Tuple[SearchResult, ReferenceData]]*

require_init (*func*)

Decorator to ensure that functions do not run after the class has been uninitialised.

Parameters **func** (*Callable*) – The function or method to wrap.

Return type *Callable*

3.3 reference_data

Class to store reference data from NIST MS Search.

```
class ReferenceData (name="", cas='---', nist_no=0, id="", mw=0.0, formula="", contributor="",  
                    mass_spec=None, synonyms=None, exact_mass=None)
```

Bases: *NISTBase*

Class to store reference data from NIST MS Search.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – The name of the compound. Default ' '.
- **cas** (*Union[str, int]*) – The CAS number of the compound. Default '---'.
- **nist_no** (*Union[int, str]*) – Default 0.
- **id** (*Union[str, int]*) – Default ' '.
- **mw** (*Union[float, str]*) – Default 0.0.
- **formula** (*str*) – The formula of the compound. Default ' '.
- **contributor** (*str*) – The contributor to the library. Default ' '.
- **mass_spec** (*Optional[MassSpectrum]*) – The reference mass spectrum. Default *None*.
- **synonyms** (*Optional[Sequence[str]]*) – List of synonyms for the compound. Default *None*.

Methods:

<code>__repr__()</code>	Return a string representation of the <i>ReferenceData</i> .
<code>from_jcamp(file_name[, ignore_warnings])</code>	Create a <i>ReferenceData</i> object from a JCAMP-DX file.
<code>from_json(json_data)</code>	Construct an object from JSON data.
<code>from_mona_dict(mona_data)</code>	Construct an object from Massbank of North America json data that has been loaded into a dictionary.
<code>from_pynist(pynist_dict)</code>	Create a <i>ReferenceData</i> object from the raw data returned by the C extension.
<code>to_dict()</code>	Convert the object to a dictionary.
<code>to_json()</code>	Convert the object to JSON.
<code>to_msp()</code>	Returns the <i>ReferenceData</i> object as an MSP file similar to that produced by NIST MS Search's export function.

Attributes:

<i>contributor</i>	The name of the contributor to the library.
<i>exact_mass</i>	The exact mass of the compound.
<i>formula</i>	The formula of the compound.
<i>id</i>	The ID of the compound.
<i>mass_spec</i>	The mass spectrum of the compound.
<i>mw</i>	The molecular weight of the compound.
<i>nist_no</i>	The NIST number of the compound.
<i>synonyms</i>	A list of synonyms for the compound.

__repr__()

Return a string representation of the *ReferenceData*.

Return type `str`

property contributor

The name of the contributor to the library.

Return type `str`

property exact_mass

The exact mass of the compound.

Return type `float`

property formula

The formula of the compound.

Return type `str`

classmethod from_jcamp (*file_name*, *ignore_warnings=True*)

Create a *ReferenceData* object from a JCAMP-DX file.

Parameters

- **file_name** (`Union[str, Path, PathLike]`) – Path of the file to read.
- **ignore_warnings** (`bool`) – Whether warnings about invalid tags should be shown. Default `True`.

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Return type *ReferenceData*

classmethod from_json (*json_data*)

Construct an object from JSON data.

Parameters **json_data** (`str`)

Return type *ReferenceData*

classmethod from_mona_dict (*mona_data*)

Construct an object from Massbank of North America json data that has been loaded into a dictionary.

Parameters **mona_data** (`Dict`) – dict

Return type *ReferenceData*

classmethod `from_pynist` (*pynist_dict*)

Create a *ReferenceData* object from the raw data returned by the C extension.

Parameters `pynist_dict` (`Dict[str, Any]`)

Return type *ReferenceData*

property `id`

The ID of the compound.

Return type `str`

property `mass_spec`

The mass spectrum of the compound.

Return type `Optional[MassSpectrum]`

property `mw`

The molecular weight of the compound.

Return type `int`

property `nist_no`

The NIST number of the compound.

Return type `int`

property `synonyms`

A list of synonyms for the compound.

Return type `List[str]`

to_dict ()

Convert the object to a dictionary.

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type `Dict[str, Any]`

to_json ()

Convert the object to JSON.

Return type `str`

to_msp ()

Returns the *ReferenceData* object as an MSP file similar to that produced by NIST MS Search's export function.

Return type `str`

3.4 search_result

Class to store search results from NIST MS Search.

```
class SearchResult (name="", cas='---', match_factor=0, reverse_match_factor=0, hit_prob=0.0,
                    spec_loc=0)
```

Bases: *NISTBase*

Class to store search results from NIST MS Search.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – The name of the compound. Default ' '.
- **cas** (*Union[str, int]*) – The CAS number of the compound. Default '---'.
- **match_factor** (*float*) – Default 0.
- **reverse_match_factor** (*float*) – Default 0.
- **hit_prob** (*float*) – Default 0.0.
- **spec_loc** (*float*) – The location of the reference spectrum in the library. Default 0.

Methods:

<i>from_pynist</i> (pynist_dict)	Create a <i>SearchResult</i> object from the raw data returned by the C extension.
<i>to_dict</i> ()	Convert the object to a dictionary.

Attributes:

<i>hit_prob</i>	Returns the probability of the hit being the compound responsible for the mass spectrum.
<i>match_factor</i>	Returns a score (out of 1000) representing the similarity of the searched mass spectrum to the search result.
<i>reverse_match_factor</i>	A score (out of 1000) representing the similarity of the searched mass spectrum to the search result, but ignoring any peaks that are in the searched mass spectrum but not in the library spectrum.
<i>spec_loc</i>	The location of the reference spectrum in the library.

```
classmethod from_pynist (pynist_dict)
```

Create a *SearchResult* object from the raw data returned by the C extension.

Parameters *pynist_dict* (*Dict[str, Any]*)

Return type *SearchResult*

```
property hit_prob
```

Returns the probability of the hit being the compound responsible for the mass spectrum.

Return type *float*

property match_factor

Returns a score (out of 1000) representing the similarity of the searched mass spectrum to the search result.

Return type `int`

property reverse_match_factor

A score (out of 1000) representing the similarity of the searched mass spectrum to the search result, but ignoring any peaks that are in the searched mass spectrum but not in the library spectrum.

Return type `int`

property spec_loc

The location of the reference spectrum in the library.

This can then be searched using the `get_reference_data()` method of the search engine to obtain the reference data.

Return type `int`

to_dict()

Convert the object to a dictionary.

New in version 0.6.0.

Return type `Dict[str, Any]`

3.5 utils

General utilities.

Functions:

<code>pack(mass_spec[, top])</code>	Convert a <code>pyms.Spectrum.MassSpectrum</code> object into a string.
<code>parse_name_chars(name_char_list)</code>	Takes a list of Unicode character codes and converts them to characters, taking into account the special codes used by the NIST DLL.

pack (*mass_spec*, *top*=20)

Convert a `pyms.Spectrum.MassSpectrum` object into a string.

Adapted from <https://sourceforge.net/projects/mzapi-live/>

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (`MassSpectrum`)
- **top** (`int`) – The number of largest peaks to identify. Default 20.

Return type `str`

parse_name_chars (*name_char_list*)

Takes a list of Unicode character codes and converts them to characters, taking into account the special codes used by the NIST DLL.

Parameters *name_char_list* (*Sequence[int]*)

Return type *str*

Returns The parsed name.

3.6 win_engine

Search engine for Windows systems.

class Engine (*lib_path, lib_type=1, work_dir=None, debug=False*)

Bases: *object*

Search engine for Windows systems.

Parameters

- **lib_path** (*Union[str, Path, PathLike]*) – The path to the mass spectral library.
- **lib_type** (*int*) – The type of library. One of NISTMS_MAIN_LIB, NISTMS_USER_LIB, NISTMS_REP_LIB. Default 1.
- **work_dir** (*Union[str, Path, PathLike, None]*) – The path to the working directory. Default *None*.

Methods:

<i>full_search_with_ref_data</i> (<i>mass_spec</i> [, <i>n_hits</i>])	Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library, including reference data.
<i>full_spectrum_search</i> (<i>mass_spec</i> [, <i>n_hits</i>])	Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.
<i>get_reference_data</i> (<i>spec_loc</i>)	Get reference data from the library for the compound at the given location.
<i>spectrum_search</i> (<i>mass_spec</i> [, <i>n_hits</i>])	Perform a Quick Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.
<i>uninit</i> ()	Uninitialize the Search Engine.

full_search_with_ref_data (*mass_spec, n_hits=5*)

Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library, including reference data.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[Tuple[SearchResult, ReferenceData]]*

Returns List of tuples containing possible identities for the mass spectrum, and the reference data

static full_spectrum_search (*mass_spec*, *n_hits*=5)

Perform a Full Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[SearchResult]*

Returns List of possible identities for the mass spectrum.

static get_reference_data (*spec_loc*)

Get reference data from the library for the compound at the given location.

Parameters **spec_loc** (*int*)

Return type *ReferenceData*

static spectrum_search (*mass_spec*, *n_hits*=5)

Perform a Quick Spectrum Search of the mass spectral library.

Parameters

- **mass_spec** (*MassSpectrum*) – The mass spectrum to search against the library.
- **n_hits** (*int*) – The number of hits to return. Default 5.

Return type *List[SearchResult]*

Returns List of possible identities for the mass spectrum.

uninit ()

Uninitialize the Search Engine.

Contributing

`pym5-nist-search` uses `tox` to automate testing and packaging, and `pre-commit` to maintain code quality.

Install `pre-commit` with `pip` and install the git hook:

```
$ python -m pip install pre-commit
$ pre-commit install
```

4.1 Coding style

`formate` is used for code formatting.

It can be run manually via `pre-commit`:

```
$ pre-commit run formate -a
```

Or, to run the complete autoformatting suite:

```
$ pre-commit run -a
```

4.2 Automated tests

Tests are run with `tox` and `pytest`. To run tests for a specific Python version, such as Python 3.6:

```
$ tox -e py36
```

To run tests for all Python versions, simply run:

```
$ tox
```

4.3 Type Annotations

Type annotations are checked using `mypy`. Run `mypy` using `tox`:

```
$ tox -e mypy
```

4.4 Build documentation locally

The documentation is powered by Sphinx. A local copy of the documentation can be built with `tox`:

```
$ tox -e docs
```

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Downloading source code

The `pyms-nist-search` source code is available on GitHub, and can be accessed from the following URL:
<https://github.com/domdfcoding/pynist>

If you have `git` installed, you can clone the repository with the following command:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/domdfcoding/pynist
```

```
Cloning into 'pynist'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 47, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (47/47), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (41/41), done.
remote: Total 173 (delta 16), reused 17 (delta 6), pack-reused 126
Receiving objects: 100% (173/173), 126.56 KiB | 678.00 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (66/66), done.
```

Alternatively, the code can be downloaded in a ‘zip’ file by clicking:

Clone or download → Download Zip

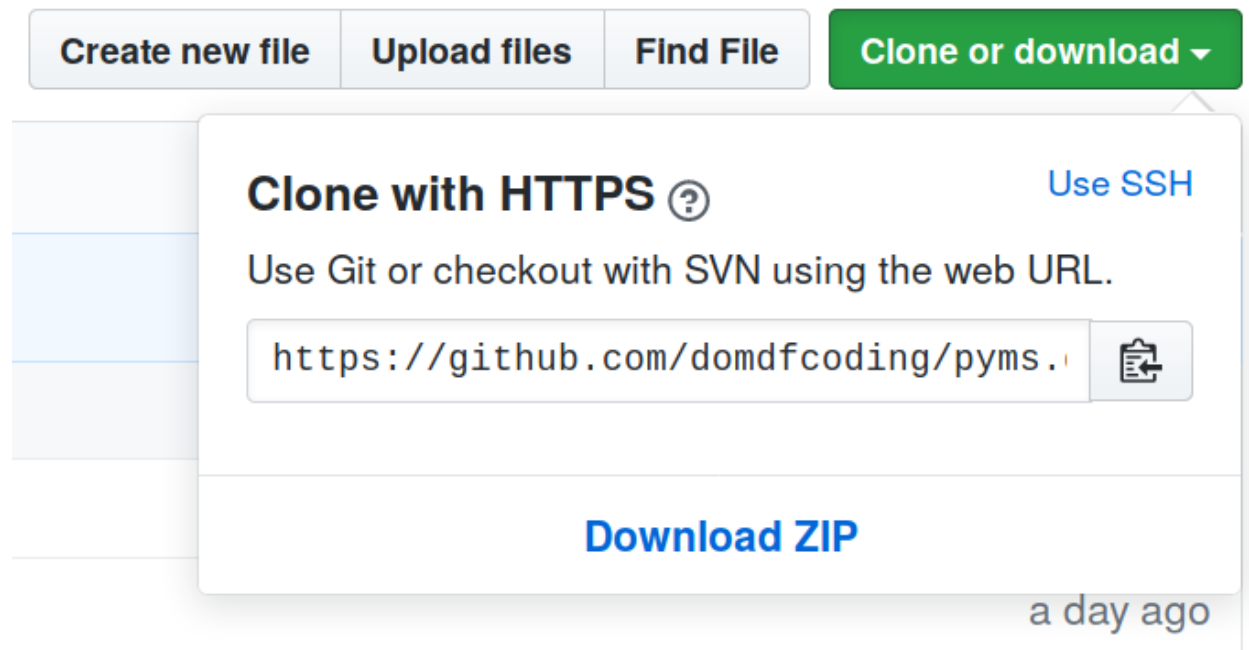


Fig. 1: Downloading a ‘zip’ file of the source code

6.1 Building from source

The recommended way to build `pyms-nist-search` is to use `tox`:

```
$ tox -e build
```

The source and wheel distributions will be in the directory `dist`.

If you wish, you may also use `pep517.build` or another **PEP 517**-compatible build tool.

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