
PAB

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PAB is a framework that helps with development and automation of periodic tasks on blockchains.

PAB allows you to quickly implement Strategies without worrying about some implementation details, like connecting to a blockchain, retrieving contracts and sending transactions. It also comes with a simple scheduler so you can setup jobs and forget about them (don't forget about them).

INTRODUCTION

With PAB, you quickstart your blockchain development and prototyping. After running `pab init` to create a new project, you can jump right into your strategy development.

With little more configuration, you can connect to any Web3 compatible network using an RPC, load contracts from the network, and use any account you have the Private Key of to authenticate against the network (if you need to make transactions).

PAB also comes with a pytest plugin that allows for easy strategy testing (see [Testing](#)).

1.1 Sample Strategy

Here's a basic sample strategy to give you an idea of the *Strategy API*:

```
1  import csv
2  from datetime import datetime
3  from pab.strategy import BaseStrategy
4
5  class CompoundAndLog(BaseStrategy):
6      """ Finds pool in `controller` for `token`, compounds the given pool for
7      `self.accounts[account_index]` and logs relevant data into a csv file. """
8
9      def __init__(self, *args, token: str, controller: str, filepath: str = "compound.csv
10 ↪", account_index: int = 0):
11          super().__init__(*args)
12          self.filepath = filepath
13          self.account = self.accounts[account_index]
14          self.token = self.contracts.get(token)
15          self.controller = self.contracts.get(controller)
16          self.pool_id = self.controller.functions.getPoolId(self.token.address).call()
17          if not self.pool_id:
18              raise Exception(f"Pool not found for {self.token} in {self.controller}")
19
20      def run(self):
21          """ Strategy entrypoint. """
22          balance = self.get_balance()
23          new_balance = self.compound()
24          self.write_to_file(balance, new_balance)
25          self.logger.info(f"Current balance is {balance}")
26
27      def compound(self) -> int:
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```

27         """ Calls compound function of the `controller` contract to compound pending_
↪profits
28         on the `token` pool. """
29         self.transact(self.account, self.controller.functions.compound, (self.pool_id,
↪))
30         return self.get_balance()
31
32     def get_balance(self) -> int:
33         """ Returns accounts balance on `controller` for `token` pool. """
34         return self.controller.functions.balanceOf(
35             self.account.address,
36             self.pool_id
37         ).call()
38
39     def write_to_file(self, old_balance: int, new_balance: int):
40         """ Write some number to a file. """
41         now = datetime.now().strftime('%Y-%m-%d %I:%M:%S')
42         diff = new_balance - old_balance
43         with open(self.filepath, 'a') as fp:
44             writer = csv.writer(fp)
45             writer.writerow([now, new_balance, diff])

```

BaseStrategy childs can use *self.accounts*, *self.contracts* and *self.transact*. They also need to implement the *run()* method.

For more information on the Strategy API see [Strategy API](#) and [Strategy Development](#) docs.

2.1 Setup Project

2.1.1 Create project directory and venv

First you need to create a directory to contain your project files and create a virtualenv.

```
$ mkdir -p ~/projects/MyNewProject
$ python3.10 -m venv venv
$ source venv/bin/activate
```

2.1.2 Install PAB and initialize project

Then install the *PyAutoBlockchain* dependency in your virtualenv and run *pab init* to create the basic project structure.

```
(venv) $ pip install PyAutoBlockchain
(venv) $ pab init # Initialize project in current directory
```

2.1.3 Project Structure

Barebones

This is an example of the most basic structure required by a PAB project.

```
MyPABProject
├── abis
│   └── SomeSmartContract.abi
├── .env
├── config.json
├── contracts.json
├── tasks.json
└── strategies.py
```

This structure does not have tests.

Recommended

A better project structure that takes into account testing with pytest.

This is the recommended structure when testing a PAB project:

```
MyPABProject
├── abis
│   └── SomeSmartContract.abi
├── .env
├── config.json
├── contracts.json
├── tasks.json
├── strategies.py
├── requirements.txt    # If you have extra dependencies
├── pytest.ini
├── tests
│   ├── __init__.py
│   ├── confest.py
│   └── truffle        # Default directory for testing contracts source.
│       ├── contracts
│       │   ├── MainContract.sol
│       │   └── AnotherContract.sol
│       ├── migrations
│       │   └── 1_initial_migration.js
│       └── truffle-config.js
└── test_basic.py
```

For more info on testing strategies see [Testing](#).

2.2 Strategy Development

Custom Strategies are automatically loaded when running *pab run*. PAB loads your strategies from a *strategies* module at your current working directory.

Any subclass of `pab.strategy.BaseStrategy` in the strategies module can be used to run a task. For more info on how to configure tasks, see [Configuring Tasks](#).

2.2.1 Basic Strategy

Open `strategies/__init__.py` and write the following:

```
1 from pab.strategy import BaseStrategy
2 from pab.utils import amountToDecimal
3
4 class LogBalanceToFileStrategy(BaseStrategy):
5     def __init__(self, *args, accix: int = 0):
6         super().__init__(*args)
7         self.user = self.accounts[0]
8
9     def run(self):
```

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```

10         balance = self.blockchain.w3.get_balance(self.user)
11         self.logger.info(f"Balance: {amountToDecimal(balance)}")

```

This simple strategy will only log the balance of some account. It uses the *BaseStrategy.accounts* to retrieve the account at the *accix* index, and the current blockchain connection from *BaseStrategy.blockchain.w3* to get the account balance.

2.2.2 Strategies In-Depth

Accounts

Accounts, also called *wallets*, are used in blockchains as user controlled addresses that can sign transactions and data. For info on how to configure a accounts in PAB read *Loading Accounts*.

To use configured accounts in a BaseStrategy subclass, you can access the *pab.strategy.BaseStrategy.accounts* attribute (e.g. *self.accounts[0]*, *self.accounts[1]*).

```

class MyStrategy(BaseStrategy):
    def run(self):
        user = self.accounts[0]

```

Accounts Attributes

Accounts in *self.accounts* are instances of *LocalAccount*.

Loading Order

As you see in *Loading Accounts*, there are two ways of loading accounts but only one list. The way the list is filled is by first loading accounts from environment variables into their fixed indexes, and then filling the gaps from 0 to N with keyfiles.

This means that if you have the following environment variables:

```

# .env.prod
PAB_PK1=ACC-A
PAB_PK2=0xACC-B
PAB_PK5=0xACC-C

```

And you run with two keyfiles like this:

```
$ pab run -e prod -k ACC-D.keyfile,ACC-E.keyfile
```

The accounts dictionary for a strategy will look like this:

```

>>> print(self.accounts)
{
    0: LocalAccount("0xACC-D"),
    1: LocalAccount("0xACC-A"),
    2: LocalAccount("0xACC-B"),
    3: LocalAccount("0xACC-E"),
    5: LocalAccount("0xACC-C")
}

```

To avoid the confusion that using both methods might cause, we recommend you stick to one method of loading accounts.

Contracts

PAB automatically loads the contracts defined in *Registering Contracts*. Strategies can fetch them by name using the `pab.strategy.BaseStrategy.contracts` attribute.

For example:

```
class MyStrategy(BaseStrategy):
    def run(self):
        contract = self.contacts.get("MY_CONTRACT")
```

Transactions

Subclasses of BaseStrategy will have a `pab.strategy.BaseStrategy.transact()` method that you can use to sign and send transactions.

For example:

```
class MyStrategy(BaseStrategy):
    def run(self):
        user = self.accounts[0]
        contract = self.contacts.get("MY_CONTRACT")
        params = ("param1", 2)
        rcpt = self.transact(user, contract.functions.someFunction, params)
```

Read-Only Queries

You can make readonly queries directly from the contract, without using `self.transact`.

```
class MyStrategy(BaseStrategy):
    def run(self):
        contract = self.contacts.get("MY_CONTRACT")
        params = ("param1", 2)
        some_data = contract.functions.getSomeData(*params).call()
```

Read-Only queries do not consume gas.

Blockchain and Web3

To access the underlying [Web3](#) connection you can use the `pab.blockchain.Blockchain.w3` attribute. You can get the current *Blockchain* object from your strategie' s `pab.strategy.BaseStrategy.blockchain`.

2.3 Configuration

2.3.1 Blockchain Connection Setup

An RPC is needed for PAB to communicate with the blockchain networks. Some known RPCs with free tiers are [Infura](#) and [MaticVigil](#).

RPC endpoint can be loaded from the `PAB_CONF_ENDPOINT` environment variable or from the `endpoint` config.

2.3.2 Loading Accounts

Multiple accounts can be dynamically loaded from the environment or keyfiles. All accounts can be used by any BaseStrategy child, for more info on how to use them see [Accounts](#) and [Transactions](#).

From Environment

You can set the environment variables `PAB_PK1`, `PAB_PK2`, etc as the private keys for the accounts.

For example:

```
$ export PAB_PK0="0xSomePrivateKey"
$ pab run
```

From Keyfiles

A keyfile is a file that contains your private key, encrypted with a password. You can create a keyfile with `pab create-keyfile`.

You can then load them with `pab run --keyfiles key1.file,key2.file`. Accounts loaded through keyfiles require a one-time interactive authentication at the start of the execution.

For example, to create a keyfile and use it:

```
$ pab create-keyfile -o me.kf
Enter private key: 0xSomePrivateKey
Enter keyfile password:
Repeat keyfile password:
Keyfile written to 'me.kf'
$ pab run -k me.kf
Enter me.kf password:
```

2.3.3 Registering Contracts

Contracts are loaded from the `contracts.json` file at the project root. An example would be:

```
{
  "MYTOKEN": {
    "address": "0x12345",
    "abifile": "mytoken.abi"
  }
}
```

In this example, you also need to create the abifile at *abis/mytoken.abi* with the ABI data. You need to do this for all contracts.

Strategies can then get and use this contract with *self.contracts.get("MYTOKEN")*.

2.3.4 Configuring Tasks

Tasks are loaded from the *tasks.json* file at the project root. The following example defines a single task to execute, using the strategy *BasicCompound* that repeats every 24hs.

Multiple contract names (BNB, WBTC, PAIR, CONTROLLER, ROUTER) are passed to the strategy as params. The strategy later uses these names to query the contracts from *BaseStrategy.contracts*.

```
[
  {
    "strategy": "BasicCompound",
    "name": "Compound BNB-WBTC",
    "repeat_every": {
      "days": 1
    },
    "params": {
      "swap_path": ["BNB", "WBTC"],
      "pair": "PAIR",
      "controller": "CONTROLLER",
      "router": "ROUTER",
      "pool_id": 11
    }
  }
]
```

Tasks are defined as dictionaries with:

- *strategy*: Class name of strategy (must be subclass of *pab.strategy.BaseStrategy*, see *pab list-strategies*)
- *name*: Name, just for logging.
- *params*: Dictionary with strategy parameters. (see *pab list-strategies -v*)
- *repeat_every*: *_Optional_*. Dictionary with periodicity of the process, same arguments as *datetime.timedelta*.

Run *pab list-strategies -v* to see available strategies and parameters.

2.4 Running PAB

PAB is a framework for developing and running custom tasks in crypto blockchains.

```
usage: pab [-h] {init,run,list-strategies,create-keyfile} ...
```

2.4.1 Sub-commands:

init

Initialize PAB project in current directory.

```
pab init [-h] [-d DIRECTORY]
```

options

-d, --directory Initialize project in different directory.

run

Run PAB

```
pab run [-h] [-k KEYFILES] [-e ENVS] {tasks,strat} ...
```

options

-k, --keyfiles List of keyfiles separated by commas.
Default: ""

-e, --envs List of environments separated by commas.
Default: ""

Sub-commands:

tasks

Run and schedule all tasks from 'tasks.json'.

```
pab run tasks [-h]
```

strat

Run a single strategy by name.

```
pab run strat [-h] --strategy STRATEGY
```

options

--strategy Name of the strategy to run

list-strategies

List strategies and parameters

```
pab list-strategies [-h] [-v] [-j]
```

options

-v, --verbose Print strategy parameters

Default: False

-j, --json Print strategies as JSON

Default: False

create-keyfile

Create keyfile. You'll need your private key and a new password for the keyfile.

```
pab create-keyfile [-h] [-o OUTPUT]
```

options

-o, --output Output location for keyfile.

Default: "key.file"

2.5 Testing

PAB comes with a `pytest` plugin `pab.test`. It allows you to test your strategies against local deployments of Smart Contracts by providing some usefull functionality like starting a [Ganache](#) server, building and deploying your contracts with [Truffle](#) and automatically fill in some necessary/usefull info like Ganache test accounts private keys and connection endpoint, and the temporary contract addresses on the local network.

2.5.1 Example Use Case

Say you have a strategy that increments a counter on a Smart Contract every time it runs by calling a `incrementCounter()` method on the contract.

Maybe a good test would be to deploy a contract into a test network, run the strategy a couple of times and check that the counter is correctly updated. The `PAB.test` plugin eases this process, and allows you to easily write an automated test that you can run through `pytest`.

You would only need a truffle project with one contract that has a compatible ABI, this can be a Mock or even the live contract code if you have access to it.

For our example:

```

1  contract Counter {
2      uint8 counter;
3
4      constructor() {
5          counter = 0;
6      }
7
8      function getCounter() public view returns (uint8) {
9          return counter;
10     }
11
12     function incrementCounter () public {
13         counter += 1;
14     }
15 }

```

Then, you can write a test like this:

```

1  from strategies import MyStrategy
2
3  def test_asd(setup_project, get_strat):
4      with setup_project() as pab:
5          params = {"contract": "Counter"}
6          strat: MyStrategy = get_strat(pab, 'MyStrategy', params)
7          assert strat.vault_token.functions.getCounter().call() == 0
8          strat.run()
9          assert strat.vault_token.functions.getCounter().call() == 1
10         strat.run()
11         assert strat.vault_token.functions.getCounter().call() == 2

```

That's it, when the plugin loads it will deploy the Counter contract into a test server and automatically register the contract with the correct test address and ABI. Counter **doesn't** need to be registered as a contract name.

2.5.2 PAB Testing Plugin

The `pab.test` plugin will start a local [Ganache](#) server, test and deploy your contracts with [Truffle](#) and install some usefull fixtures for your tests.

It works in the following way:

When a pytest session is created, the plugin starts a local Ganache server by spawning a `ganache-cli` subprocess. It will parse the ganache startup output and collect the connection data (host, port) and the auto-generated private keys.

After the Ganache server is running, it will run `truffle deploy` on all directories specified in the `pab-contracts-sources` config (see [Plugin Configuration](#)). The output of the deployments is parsed to collect the relevant contract data. The default network for deployment is `development` but it can be changed with the `pab-truffle-network` config. All contract sources must be valid [Truffle Project](#).

The last thing done in initialization is to register two pytest fixtures, `pab.test.setup_project()` and `pab.test.get_strat()`. You can read more about them in the [Test API](#).

When the pytest session finishes, the ganache process is stopped.

To use the plugin, you must manually install [Ganache](#) and [Truffle](#), probably through `npm`. The plugin will check if both dependencies are installed as `ganache-cli` and `truffle`.

Test Case Example

The following is a sample test case written with the help of the *PAB Testing Plugin*.

```
1 # MyProject/tests/test_basic.py
2 def test_basic_run(setup_project, get_strat):
3     with setup_project("MyProject") as pab:
4         params = {
5             "contract_a": "ABC",
6             "contract_b": "DEF"
7         }
8         strat = get_strat(pab, "MyStrategyABC", params)
9         strat.run()
10    assert strat.contract_a.functions.getSomeValue.call() == 'Some Value'
```

The example uses the `setup_project` fixture to initialize the PAB test project and return a `pab.core.PAB` instance. Inside the context of `setup_project`, the `get_strat` fixture is used to retrieve a single strategy from the PAB app, initialized with certain parameters. Finally executes the strategy and asserts that a side-effect (in this case, a value change on some contract attribute) happened.

Plugin Configuration

To enable the plugin you need to add `pab.test` to `pytest_plugins` in your `conftest.py`:

```
1 # MyProject/tests/conftest.py
2 import pytest
3 pytest_plugins = ["pab.test"]
```

You can also change some configurations in your `pytest.ini`:

```
# MyProject/pytest.ini
[pytest]
pab-ignore-patterns-on-copy =
    venv/
pab-contracts-sources =
    tests/contracts
pab-truffle-network = development
```

Ganache Configuration

There's not much configuration that's necessary for ganache. PAB starts the process by running `ganache-cli` without extra parameters. By default, this starts a server in at `127.0.0.1:8545`.

Truffle Configuration

The only necessary configuration for truffle is to correctly setup your network parameters. Ganache defaults are `127.0.0.1:8545`, so make sure that there is a network with those parameters.

For example, in your `truffle-config.js`:

```
{
  # More configs above
  networks: {
    development: {
      host: "127.0.0.1",
      port: 8545,
      network_id: "*",
    }
  }
  # More configs below
}
```

Recommended Structure

A sample project structure can be found at [Project Structure](#).

2.6 All Configs

2.6.1 Available configurations

Table 1: All Configs

Path	Format	Default	Help
blockchain	string	' '	Network name
chainId	int	' '	Chain ID
endpoint	string	' '	RPC Endpoint
transactions.timeout	int	200	A blocking timeout after making a transaction. Defined in seconds.
transactions.gasPrice.number	float	1.1	Gas multiplier
transactions.gasPrice.unit	string	gwei	Gas unit
transactions.gas.useEstimate	bool	' '	If true, gas is estimated using <i>web3.eth.estimateGas()</i>
transactions.gas.exact	int	200000	If useEstimate is disabled, this exact amount will be available as gas for all txs.
emails.enabled	bool	' '	If true, emails will be sent on failures.
emails.host	string	local-host	SMTP host
emails.port	int	587	SMTP port
emails.user	string	' '	SMTP user. Used to login and as FROM value.
emails.password	string	' '	SMTP password
emails.recipient	string	' '	Recipient for email alerts

All Defaults

```
{
  "blockchain": "",
  "chainid": 0,
  "endpoint": "",
  "transactions": {
    "timeout": 200,
    "gasprice": {
      "number": 1.1,
      "unit": "gwei"
    },
    "gas": {
      "useestimate": false,
      "exact": 200000
    }
  },
  "emails": {
    "enabled": false,
    "host": "localhost",
    "port": 587,
    "user": "",
    "password": ""
  }
}
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```
    "recipient": ""  
  }  
}
```


3.1 Strategy API

For more info see *Strategies In-Depth*.

pab.strategy.StrategiesDict

TypeAlias for a mapping of *strategy_name: strategy_class*

pab.strategy.import_strategies(root: Path)

Imports *strategies* module from *root* directory.

class pab.strategy.BaseStrategy(blockchain: Blockchain, name: str)

Abstract Base Class for custom strategies.

blockchain: Blockchain

Current blockchain connection.

property accounts: dict[int, LocalAccount]

Returns available accounts in current blockchain. You can access specific accounts with numeric indexes

property contracts: ContractManager

Returns a pab.contract.ContractManager. You can use *self.contracts.get(name)* to retrieve a contract by name.

abstract run()

Strategy entrypoint. Must be defined by all childs.

transact(account: LocalAccount, func: Callable, args: tuple) → TxReceipt

Makes a transaction on the current blockchain.

exception pab.strategy.PABError

Base class for errors while running tasks. Unhandled PABErrors will prevent further executions of a strategy.

exception pab.strategy.RescheduleError

Strategies can raise this exception to tell PAB to reschedule them in known scenarios.

exception pab.strategy.SpecificTimeRescheduleError(message: str, next_at: int | float)

Same as *RescheduleError* but at a specific time passed as a timestamp.

3.2 Blockchain API

```
class pab.blockchain.Blockchain(root: Path, config: Config, accounts: Dict[int, LocalAccount])
    Web3 connection manager.

    rpc: str
        Network RPC URL

    id: int
        Network Chain ID

    name: str
        Network name

    w3: Web3
        Internal Web3 connection

    accounts: Dict[int, 'LocalAccount']
        List of loaded accounts

    contracts: ContractManager
        Initialized contract manager

    transact(account: LocalAccount, func: Callable, args: tuple) → TxReceipt
        Uses internal transaction handler to submit a transaction.
```

3.3 Contract API

```
class pab.contract.ContractData(name: str, address: str, abi: str)
    Stores smart contract data

    name: str

    address: str

    abi: str

class pab.contract.ContractManager(w3: Web3, root: Path)
    Stores contract definitions (address and location of the abi file). Reads and returns contracts from the network.

    _load_contracts() → Dict[str, ContractData]
        Reads and parses contracts.json.

    _parse_contract_data(contracts_data: dict[str, dict]) → Dict[str, ContractData]
        Replaces the raw contract data from contracts.json with the ContractData dataclass.

    _check_valid_contract_data(data: dict) → None
        Validates that the data loaded from contracts.json is valid.

    _check_abifile_exists(abifile) → None
        Validates that all abifiles defined in contracts.json exist.

    get(name: str) → Contract
        Returns contract by name. Contract must be defined in CONTRACTS_FILE and ABIS_DIR.

exception pab.contract.ContractDefinitionError
```

3.4 Transaction API

```
class pab.transaction.TransactionHandler(w3: web3.Web3, chain_id: int, config: Config)

    w3
        Internal Web3 connection.

    chain_id
        ChainID of current blockchain for transactions.

    config
        Config data.

    transact(account: LocalAccount, func: Callable, args: tuple, timeout: Optional[int] = None) → TxReceipt
        Submits transaction and returns receipt.

    _build_signed_txn(account: LocalAccount, func: Callable, args: tuple) → SignedTransaction
        Builds a signed transaction ready to be sent to the network.

    _txn_details(account: LocalAccount, call: Callable) → dict
        Returns transaction details such as chainId, gas, gasPrice and nonce.

    gas(call: Callable) → int
        Returns gas allocated for transaction. Depending on the PAB configs it returns an estimation or a fixed
        value.

    _estimate_call_gas(call: Callable) → int
        Returns estimated gas for a given call.

    gas_price() → Wei

exception pab.transaction.TransactionError
```

3.5 Accounts API

```
pab.accounts.create_keyfile(path: Path, private_key: str, password: str) → None
    Creates a keyfile using Web3.eth.account.encrypt.

pab.accounts._load_keyfile(keyfile: Path) → Optional[LocalAccount]

pab.accounts._get_ix_from_name(name) → Optional[int]
    Returns the index from PAB_PK<INDEX>.

pab.accounts._load_from_env() → Dict[int, LocalAccount]
    Private keys are loaded from the environment variables that follow the naming convention PAB_PK<ix>. ix will
    be the index in the accounts list.

pab.accounts.load_accounts(keyfiles: list[pathlib.Path]) → Dict[int, LocalAccount]
    Load accounts from environment variables and keyfiles

exception pab.accounts.AccountsError

exception pab.accounts.KeyfileOverrideException
```

3.6 Task API

`pab.task.TaskList`

Type for an explicit list of Tasks.

alias of `list[Task]`

`pab.task.RawTasksData`

Type for an explicit list of task data dictionaries.

alias of `List[dict]`

class `pab.task.Task(id_: int, strat: BaseStrategy, next_at: int, repeat_every: Optional[dict] = None)`

Container for a strategy to be executed in the future

RUN_ASAP: int = -10

Constant. Means job should be rescheduled to run ASAP.

RUN_NEVER: int = -20

Constant. Means job should't be rescheduled.

id

Internal Task ID

strategy: [BaseStrategy](#)

Strategy object

next_at: int

Next execution time as timestamp

repeat_every: dict[str, int] | None

Repetition data. A dict that functions as kwargs for `datetime.timedelta`

last_start: int

Last execution start time as timestamp

reschedule() → None

Calculates next execution if applies and calls `schedule_for()`

repeats() → bool

True if Task has repetition data.

next_repetition_time() → int

Returns next repetition time based on `last_start` and `repeat_every`.

schedule_for(next_at: int) → None

Updates `self.next_at` for a specific time. Will disable job if value is `Task.RUN_NEVER`.

is_ready() → bool

Returns True if job is ready to run based on `next_at`.

process() → None

Calls `_process()` and handles `pab.strategy.RescheduleError`.

_process() → None

Runs strategy and updates schedule.

```

class pab.task.TaskFileParser(root: Path, blockchain: Blockchain, strategies: dict[str,
                                type['BaseStrategy']])
    Parses a tasks file and loads a TaskList.

    REQUIRED_TASK_FIELDS: list[str] = ['name', 'strategy']
        Fields that must be declared in all tasks.

    root: Path
        Root of the project.

    blockchain: Blockchain
        Blockchain used by tasks.

    strategies: dict[str, type['BaseStrategy']]
        Strategies dictionary.

    load() → TaskList
        Loads TaskList from tasks file.

    _load_tasks_json_or_exception(fhandle: TextIO) → RawTasksData
        Parses TextIO input as JSON, validates and returns raw data. May raise TasksFileParseError.

    _validate_raw_data(data: Any) → None
        Validates raw tasks data format. May raise TasksFileParseError.

    _create_tasklist(tasks: RawTasksData) → TaskList
        Creates a list of Task objects from raw data. May raise TaskLoadError.

    _create_strat_from_data(data: dict) → BaseStrategy
        Creates a single Task object from raw data. May raise TaskLoadError.

    _find_strat_by_name(name: str) → type[pab.strategy.BaseStrategy]
        Finds a strategy by name. May raise UnkownStrategyError.

exception pab.task.TasksFileParseError
    Error while parsing tasks.json

exception pab.task.TaskLoadError
    Error while loading a task

exception pab.task.UnkownStrategyError
    A strategy required by a task could not be found.

```

3.7 Core API

```

class pab.core.PAB(root: Path, keyfiles: Optional[list[pathlib.Path]] = None, envs: Optional[list[str]] = None)
    Loads PAB project from a given path, including configs from all sources, strategies from the strategies module,
    and accounts.

class pab.core.Runner(pab: PAB)
    Base class for PAB Runners.

    Runners execute PAB strategies in different manners. All runners must implement run.

    abstract run()
        Main run method.

```

```
    _abc_impl = <_abc._abc_data object>

class pab.core.TasksRunner(*args)
    Loads and runs tasks from tasks.json.

    ITERATION_SLEEP = 60

    run()
        Main run method.

    process_tasks()

    process_item(item: Task)

    _sleep()

    _abc_impl = <_abc._abc_data object>

class pab.core.StratParam(name: 'str', type: 'Callable | str', default: 'Any')

    name: str

    type: Union[Callable, str]

    default: Any

class pab.core.SingleStrategyRunner(*args, strategy: str, params: list[str])
    Runs a single strategy, one time, with custom parameters.

    TYPES = {'float': <class 'float'>, 'int': <class 'int'>, 'str': <class 'str'>}

    run()
        Main run method.

    _parse_params(strat_class: type[pab.strategy.BaseStrategy]) → Namespace

    _get_strat_parser(strat_class: type[pab.strategy.BaseStrategy]) → ArgumentParser
        Builds an ArgumentParser from the signature of the current strategy __init__ method.

    _validate_and_get_param_type(param: StratParam) → Callable

    _get_strat_params(strat) → set[pab.core.StratParam]
        Recursively retrieve a list of all keyword parameters for a strategy constructor.

    _get_base_params() → list[str]
        Returns the names of the base parameters of BaseStrategy.

    _abc_impl = <_abc._abc_data object>
```

3.8 Test API

```
pab.test.log(msg: str)
    Print message to screen during pytest execution.

pab.test.pytest_addoption(parser)

pab.test.pytest_configure(config)
```

```

pab.test._check_dependencies_installed(commands: list[str]) → None
    Checks if a list of commands are available on the system using shutil.which.

class pab.test.ParsedGanacheOutput(accounts: list[str], endpoint: str)
    Dataclass for ganache data.

    accounts: list[str]

    endpoint: str

pab.test._parse_ganache_output(proc: Popen) → ParsedGanacheOutput
    Parses ganache process stdout for accounts and endpoint.

class pab.test.PABPlugin(config)
    This plugin will:
    

- Verify that ganache-cli and truffle are installed.
- Start a ganache-cli subprocess.
- Collect the private keys of all test accounts in the local ganache network.
- Build and deploy your contracts with truffle into the local ganache network.
- Collect the addresses of the deployed contracts.
- Install fixtures



    GANACHE_CMD = 'ganache-cli'

    TRUFFLE_CMD = 'truffle'

    pytest_sessionstart(session)
        Pytest start hook

    pytest_sessionfinish(session, exitstatus)
        Pytest cleanup hook

    _start_ganache_process()
        Starts ganache-cli process.

    _collect_ganache_data()
        Parses ganache process output and collects accounts and network data.

    _deploy_contracts_with_truffle()
        Test, build and deploy contracts with ganache.

class pab.test.Contract(name: 'str', source: 'str', address: 'str', abi: 'str')

    name: str

    source: str

    address: str

    abi: str

class pab.test.TruffleDeployer(sources: list[str], network: str)

    CMD = 'truffle'

```

deploy() → dict[str, [pab.test.Contract](#)]

Spawns a truffle deploy process for each source, parses process output and returns a mapping of *contract_name*: *Contract*.

_run_truffle(*cwd*: str)

_parse_data_and_validate(*sources_data*: dict[str, dict]) → dict[str, [pab.test.Contract](#)]

_load_abis(*contracts*: dict[str, [pab.test.Contract](#)]) → dict[str, [pab.test.Contract](#)]

Load the contract ABIs from the truffle sources ‘build’ directory.

class [pab.test.TruffleOutputParser](#)

Parser for truffle output. Currently only supports the deploy process and returns a mapping of *contract_name*: *contract_data*.

RE_START_CONTRACT = re.compile("^(**Deploying**|**Replacing**) '(.*)'\$")

RE_CONTRACT_DATA = re.compile('^> ([a-zA-Z]+):\\s+(.*)\$')

class [States](#)(*value*)

An enumeration.

START_CONTRACT_DATA = 1

IN_CONTRACT_DATA = 2

END_CONTRACT_DATA = 3

OUTSIDE_CONTRACT_DATA = 4

in_state(*states*: [States](#) | list[[States](#)])

parse_contracts_data(*proc*: *CompletedProcess*) → dict[str, dict]

Parses subprocess output. Returns a mapping of *contract_name*: *contract_data*.

[pab.test._copy_project](#)(*dest*: *Path*, *ignored_patterns*: Optional[list[str]] = None) → *Path*

Copies CWD to *dest*.

[pab.test._set_test_envfile](#)(*path*: *Path*, *extra_vars*: dict[str, str], *plugin*: [PABPlugin](#))

Creates ‘.env.test’ file in *path*. *extra_vars* is a dict of envvars to add to the file. Also adds envvars from *plugin.envs* and accounts from *plugin.accounts*.

[pab.test._replace_contracts](#)(*pab*: [PAB](#), *plugin*: [PABPlugin](#))

Replaces contracts in a PAB instance with the ones from *plugin.contracts*.

[pab.test._temp_environ](#)()

ContextManager that Saves a copy of the environment and restores the environment variables to their original state after exiting. New variables will be removed and value changes will be undone.

[pab.test.setup_project](#)(*pytestconfig*)

This fixture will:

- Copy project to a temporary directory.
- Change CWD to temporary directory.
- Replace the contract addresses loaded from contracts.json with the local addresses.
- Create a ‘.env.test’ environment file with local accounts and rpc configs.
- Restore environment variables after execution.

- Return a PAB instance.

`pab.test.get_strat()`

Fixture that returns an initialized strategy from a PAB instance.

exception `pab.test.PABTestException`

exception `pab.test.MissingDependencies`

exception `pab.test.StrategyNotFound`

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