



# frankenstein Documentation

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## HOW TO CITE FRANKENSTEIN

If you use `frankenstein` in your work, please cite using the following BibTeX entry:

```
@software{Young_frankenstein,  
  author = {Young, David R.},  
  doi = {10.5281/zenodo.8037492},  
  license = {GPL-3.0-only},  
  title = ,  
  url = {https://github.com/thespacedoctor/frankenstein}  
}
```

## 2.1 Installation

The easiest way to install `frankenstein` is to use `pip` (here we show the install inside of a `conda` environment):

```
conda create -n frankenstein python=3.7 pip  
conda activate frankenstein  
pip install frankenstein
```

Or you can clone the [github repo](https://github.com/thespacedoctor/frankenstein) and install from a local version of the code:

```
git clone git@github.com:thespacedoctor/frankenstein.git  
cd frankenstein  
python setup.py install
```

To upgrade to the latest version of `frankenstein` use the command:

```
pip install frankenstein --upgrade
```

To check installation was successful run `frankenstein -v`. This should return the version number of the install.

### 2.1.1 Development

If you want to tinker with the code, then install in development mode. This means you can modify the code from your cloned repo:

```
git clone git@github.com:thespacedoctor/frankenstein.git  
cd frankenstein  
python setup.py develop
```

Pull requests are welcomed!

## 2.2 Initialisation

Before using frankenstein you need to use the `init` command to generate a user settings file. Running the following creates a `yaml` settings file in your home folder under `~/.config/frankenstein/frankenstein.yaml`:

```
frankenstein init
```

The file is initially populated with frankenstein's default settings which can be adjusted to your preference.

If at any point the user settings file becomes corrupted or you just want to start afresh, simply trash the `frankenstein.yaml` file and rerun `frankenstein init`.

### 2.2.1 Modifying the Settings

Once created, open the settings file in any text editor and make any modifications needed.

### 2.2.2 Basic Python Setup

If you plan to use `frankenstein` in your own scripts you will first need to parse your settings file and set up logging etc. One quick way to do this is to use the `fundamentals` package to give you a logger, a settings dictionary and a database connection (if connection details given in settings file):

```
## SOME BASIC SETUP FOR LOGGING, SETTINGS ETC
from fundamentals import tools
from os.path import expanduser
home = expanduser("~")
settingsFile = home + "/.config/frankenstein/frankenstein.yaml"
su = tools(
    arguments={"settingsFile": settingsFile},
    docString=__doc__,
)
arguments, settings, log, dbConn = su.setup()
```

## 2.3 Todo List

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### **Todo:**

- nice!
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(The *original entry* is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/frankenstein/checkouts/master/docs/source/_template` line 1.)

## 2.4 Release Notes

### v1.0.2 - May 10, 2022

- **FIXED** doc fixes

### v1.0.1 - October 5, 2020

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### v1.0.0 - October 3, 2020

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API REFERENCE

## 3.1 Modules

<i>frankenstein.commonutils</i>	<i>common tools used throughout package</i>
<i>frankenstein.utKit</i>	<i>Unit testing tools</i>

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### 3.1.1 commonutils (*module*)

*common tools used throughout package*

### 3.1.2 utKit (*module*)

*Unit testing tools*

## Classes

<i>utKit(moduleDirectory[, dbConn])</i>	<i>Override dryx utKit</i>
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## 3.2 Classes

<i>frankenstein.electric</i>	<i>The worker class for the electric module</i>
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### 3.2.1 electric (*class*)

**class electric**(log, pathToTemplate, pathToDestination, settings=False, ignoreExisting=False)  
Bases: object

*The worker class for the electric module*

#### Key Arguments

- log – logger
- settings – the settings dictionary

- `pathToTemplate` – path to the template folder/file
- `pathToDestination` – path to where template should be cloned
- `ignoreExisting` -- ignore existing files in the destination for the template

## Methods

<code>get()</code>	<i>do the frankenstein magic!</i>
<code>list_placeholders()</code>	<i>list the remaining placeholders required by frankenstein</i>

**get ()**  
*do the frankenstein magic!*

**list\_placeholders ()**  
*list the remaining placeholders required by frankenstein*

## 3.3 A-Z Index

### Modules

<code>frankenstein.commonutils</code>	<i>common tools used throughout package</i>
<code>frankenstein.utKit</code>	<i>Unit testing tools</i>

### Classes

<code>frankenstein.electric</code>	<i>The worker class for the electric module</i>
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### Functions

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