

# thinknode™ Examples

These examples provide a starting point for issuing http connections and requests to the dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework. They are provided as is, and are written in python and c++. Any further dependencies are listed along with the provided scripts.

## C++

A simple C++ project that handles posting immutable objects and calculation requests to thinknode™ framework. The *main()* function toggles on which task to perform. Below are the defined functions of the project as well as a link to download the file in its entirety.

Dependencies:

- [libcurl](#)
- [jsoncpp](#)

### thinknode.cpp

- [thinknode.cpp](#)

```
// Copyright (c) 2015 .decimal, Inc. All rights reserved.
// Desc:      Worker to perform tasks on thinknode framework

#include "stdafx.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <iostream>
#include <fstream>
#include <sstream>
#include <json/json.h>

#define CURL_STATICLIB
#include <curl/curl.h>

using namespace std;

// API configuration
string basic_user = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ123456"; // Base64 encoded
username:password
string api_url = "https://api.thinknode.com/v1.0"; // thinknode url
string app_name = "Dosimetry"; // app name
string app_version = "1.0.0"; // app version
```

```
// Curl get request call back
static size_t WriteCallback(void *contents, size_t size, size_t nmemb, void
*userp)
...

// Select a specific json tag into string
string get_json_value(string json, string id, int num = 0)
...

// Curllib get http request
string do_curl_get(string auth, string url)
...

// Curllib post http request
string do_curl_post(string auth, string json, string url)
...

// Handles http request to get the user ID from the basic_user
string get_user_token()
...

// Handles http request for realm id
string get_realm_id(string token)
...

// Handles http request for context id
string get_context_id(std::map<string, string> config)
...

// API Authentication
std::map<string, string> authenticate()
...

// Grab and post the specified calc request
void post_calc_request()
...

// Grab and post sepcified object to the ISS
void post_immutable_object()
...

int main(void)
...
```

## C++: Immutable Storage

The below example is a function in the [thinknode.cpp](#) class to post an immutable object to the dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework. This example can be used for any immutable storage post using any datatype by replacing the json iss file.

Dependencies:

- [compute\\_aperture\\_creation\\_params.json](#)

```
void post_immutable_object()
{
    // Immutable info
    string path = "C:\\\\"; // Path of folder
    json file is located in
    string sjon_iss_file = "aperture_creation_params.json"; // local json
    object file
    string obj_name = "aperture_creation_params"; // app named_type

    std::map<string, string> iam = authenticate();

    // Read local immutable json file
    std::ifstream json_file((path + sjon_iss_file).c_str());
    string str((std::istreambuf_iterator<char>(json_file)),
    std::istreambuf_iterator<char>());

    // Post object
    std::cout << "Posting Object to ISS..." << std::endl;
    string authentication_string = "Authorization : Bearer " +
iam["user_token"];
    string res = do_curl_post(
        authentication_string,
        str,
        api_url + "/iss/named/" + app_name + "/" + obj_name + "/?context=" +
iam["context_id"]);
    std::cout << "Immuntable ID: " << res << std::endl;
}
```

**Returns:**

1. The ID (in json) of the object stored in Immutable Storage.

## C++: Calculation Request

The below example is a function in the [thinknode.cpp](#) class to post a calculation request to dosimetry.

This example can be used for any calculation request using any datatype by replacing the calculation request json file. This request will post a calculation request, check the status using long polling with a specified timeout, and return the calculation result.

Dependencies:

- [compute\\_aperture.json](#)

```
void post_calc_request()
{
    // Request info
    string path = "C:\\\\"; // Path of folder json
    file is located in
    string sjson_iss_file = "compute_aperture.json"; // local json calc
    request

    std::map<string, string> iam = authenticate();

    std::ifstream json_file((path + sjson_iss_file).c_str());
    string str((std::istreambuf_iterator<char>(json_file)),
    std::istreambuf_iterator<char>());

    string authentication_string = "Authorization : Bearer " +
    iam["user_token"];
    // Get calculation id
    std::cout << "Sending Calculation..." << std::endl;
    string calculation_id = get_json_value(
        do_curl_post(authentication_string,
        str, api_url + "/calc/?context=" + iam["context_id"],
        "id");

    // Get calculation Status - using long polling
    std::cout << "Checking Calculation Status..." << std::endl;
    string calculation_status = get_json_value(
        do_curl_get(authentication_string,
        api_url + "/calc/" + calculation_id +
        "/status/?status=completed&progress=1&timeout=5"),
        "type");
    if (calculation_status.find("failed") != string::npos)
    {
        std::cout << "Server Responded: " << calculation_status << std::endl;
        return;
    }

    // Get calculation Result
    std::cout << "Fetching Calculation Result..." << std::endl;
    string calculation_result = do_curl_get(
        authentication_string,
```

```
    api_url + "/calc/" + calculation_id + "/result/?context=" +
iam["context_id"]);

    std::cout << "Calculation Result: " << calculation_result << std::endl;
}
```

### Returns:

1. The calculation result (in json) of the API function called.

## Python

The provided python scripts and libraries are meant to be a foundation and starting point for using the astroid Dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework. The provided scripts outline the basics of using ISS to store objects, as well as constructing and making calculation requests to the calculation provider. The below sections detail the basic usage for each script.

**Download:** The python astroid\_script\_library can be downloaded from the [.decimal GitHub repository](#).

### thinknode.cfg

There is a simple configuration file (thinknode.cfg) that is used to store user data for connecting to the Dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework. This file is required by all scripts in the python astroid\_script\_library to authenticate and use the Dosimetry app. A sample file with no user data is available in the repository and the details of the information to include in the file are provided below.

- *basic\_user* being a base64 encoded username and password. Refer to the [thinknode documentation](#) for more information.
- *api\_url* being the connection string to the thinknode™ framework.
- *app\_name* being the current app name (e.g. dosimetry).
- *app\_version* being the current version of dosimetry existing on the thinknode™ framework being used.

### thinknode.cfg

```
{
  "basic_user": "<Base64 encoded username:password>",
  "api_url": "https://api.thinknode.com/v1.0",
  "app_name": "dosimetry",
  "app_version": "1.0.0.0",
  "realm_name": "Realm Name"
}
```

# Python: Immutable Storage

## Post Generic ISS Object

The `post_iss_object_generic.py` is a basic python script that provides an example to post any dosimetry type as an immutable object to the dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework. This example can be used for any immutable storage post using any datatype by replacing the json iss file. The current example posts the `aperture_creation_params.json` as

Dependencies:

- [thinknode.cfg](#)
- [.decimal Python Libraries](#)
- `compute_aperture_creation_params.json` (or any other prebuilt json file of a dosimetry object as described in the [Dosimetry Manifest Guide](#))

[post\\_iss\\_object\\_generic.py](#)

```
# Copyright (c) 2015 .decimal, Inc. All rights reserved.
# Desc:      Post an immutable json object to the thinknode framework

from lib import thinknode_worker as thinknode
from lib import decimal_logging as dl
import requests
import json

iss_dir = "iss_files"
json_iss_file = "aperture_creation_params.json"
obj_name = "aperture_creation_params"

# Get IAM ids
iam = thinknode.authenticate(thinknode.read_config('thinknode.cfg'))

# App object to post to iss
with open(iss_dir + '/' + json_iss_file) as data_file:
    json_data = json.load(data_file)

# Post immutable object to ISS
res = thinknode.post_immutable(iam, json_data, obj_name)
dl.data("Immutable id: ", res.text)
```

## Returns:

1. The ID (in json) of the object stored in Immutable Storage.

# Python: Calculation Request

## Generic Calc Request

The `post_calc_request_generic.py` is a basic example to post a calculation request to dosimetry. This example can be used for any calculation request using any datatype by replacing the calculation request json file. This request will post a calculation request, check the status using long polling with a specified timeout, and return the calculation result.

Dependencies:

- [thinknode.cfg](#)
- [.decimal Python Libraries](#)
- `compute_aperture.json` (or any other prebuilt json file of a dosimetry object as described in the [Dosimetry Manifest Guide](#))

[post\\_calc\\_request\\_generic.py](#)

```
# Copyright (c) 2015 .decimal, Inc. All rights reserved.
# Desc:      Post a json calculation request to the thinknode framework

from lib import thinknode_worker as thinknode
from lib import decimal_logging as dl
import requests
import json

request_dir = "request_files"
json_calc_file = "compute_aperture.json"

# Get IAM ids
iam = thinknode.authenticate(thinknode.read_config('thinknode.cfg'))

# App calculation request
with open(request_dir + '/' + json_calc_file) as data_file:
    json_data = json.load(data_file)

# Send calc request and wait for answer
res = thinknode.do_calculation(iam, json_data, True)
dl.data("Calculation Result: ", res.text)
```

## Returns:

1. The calculation result (in json) of the API function called.

## SOBP Dose Calculation

The *post\_calc\_request\_sobp\_dose.py* and *post\_calc\_request\_sobp\_dose\_with\_shifter.py* are basic examples to create and call an sobp dose calculation function request to the dosimetry app on the thinknode™ framework.

The *post\_calc\_request\_sobp\_dose.py* example creates the entire calculation request inline using thinknode structure, array, and function requests. The entire dose calculation request is performed using one thinknode calculation provider call. While this structure of a request is a little more complicated to setup and perform, it removes the need to post to ISS or perform ancillary calculations separately.

The *post\_calc\_request\_sobp\_dose\_with\_shifter.py* adds in the complication of adding a degrader to the sobp calculation. This example performs three separate calculation requests. The first two requests request are used to construct the proton degrader\_geometry and the second performs actual dose calculation request using the previously made degrader. The entire example could be condensed into a single more complicated thinknode calculation structure, eliminating the need to perform the separate requests, but it can also be simpler to perform some calculations separately as shown. In the example, the prior run calculation results for the proton degrader, instead of the actual function calls as in the case of the aperture, are what is placed into the sobp calculation request.

Dependencies:

- [thinknode.cfg](#)
- [.decimal Python Libraries](#)

### Example

Below is an abbreviated version of the *post\_calc\_request\_sobp\_dose.py* file. The abbreviated sections are denoted as "...". In the below sample, the *dose\_calc* variable is a thinknode function request that is made of individually constructed arguments. Notice how the *compute\_aperture()* thinknode request function is created using the *aperture\_creation\_params* class defined in the *dosimetry\_types* module allowing for easier dosimetry type creation and code readability. Also note that *aparams.view* is comprised of another class, *multiple\_source\_view*, defined from the *dosimetry\_types* module.

- Modules used and explanation:
  - The *dosimetry\_types* (dt) module that is imported is a class library of all the dosimetry data types as described in the [Dosimetry Manifest Guide](#). This library provides easier manual construction of the dosimetry data types.
  - The *thinknode\_worker* (thinknode) module that is imported is a library that provides worker functions for performing and building the authentication, iss, and calculation requests to the thinknode framework.
  - The *decimal\_logger* (dl) module that is imported is a library that provides prettified log output. Includes optional file logging, timestamps, message coloring (when run through command windows).

Refer to the [.decimal Libraries](#) section for more information on the provided decimal libraries.

```
import json
from lib import thinknode_worker as thinknode
from lib import decimal_logging as dl
from lib import dosimetry_types as dt

# Get IAM ids
iam = thinknode.authenticate(thinknode.read_config('thinknode.cfg'))

def make_grid(corner, size, spacing):
    ...

def make_water_phantom(corner, size, spacing):
    ...

def make_dose_points(pointCount):
    ...

def get_example_sobp_machine(id):
    ...

def make_layers(sad, range, mod):
    ...

def make_target():
    return \
        thinknode.function("dosimetry", "make_cube",
            [
                thinknode.value([-32, -20, -30]),
                thinknode.value([16, -10, 30])
            ])

def make_view():
    mv = dt.multiple_source_view()
    ds = {}
    ds['corner'] = [-100, -100]
    ds['size'] = [200, 200]
    mv.display_surface = ds
    mv.center = [0, 0, 0]
    mv.direction = [0, 1, 0]
    mv.distance = [2270, 2270]
    mv.up = [0, 0, 1]

    return mv.out()

def compute_aperture():
    ap_params = dt.aperture_creation_params()
```

```

# ap_params.targets.append(thinknode.reference("55802bcf49400020000c")) #
Use existing ISS target
ap_params.targets.append(make_target())
ap_params.target_margin = 20.0
ap_params.view = make_view()
ap_params.mill_radius = 0.0
ap_params.downstream_edge = 250.5

# Make aperture_creation_params
args = {}
args["targets"] = thinknode.array_named_type("dosimetry", "triangle_mesh",
ap_params.targets)
args["target_margin"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.target_margin)
args["view"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.view)
args["mill_radius"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.mill_radius)
args["organs"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.organs)
args["half_planes"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.half_planes)
args["corner_planes"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.corner_planes)
args["centerlines"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.centerlines)
args["overrides"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.overrides)
args["downstream_edge"] = thinknode.value(ap_params.downstream_edge)

return \
    thinknode.function("dosimetry", "compute_aperture",
        [
            thinknode.structure_named_type("dosimetry",
"aperture_creation_params", args)
        ])

beam_geometry = \
...

# Call compute_sobp_pb_dose2
dose_calc = \
    thinknode.function("dosimetry", "compute_sobp_pb_dose2",
        [
            make_water_phantom([-100, -100, -100], [200, 200, 200], [2, 2,
2]), #stopping_power_image
            thinknode.value(make_dose_points(181)), # dose_points
            beam_geometry, #beam_geometry
            make_grid([-75, -75], [150, 150], [2, 2]), # bixel_grid
            make_layers(2270.0, 152.0, 38.0),
            compute_aperture(), # aperture based on targets
            thinknode.value([proton_degr]) # degraders
        ])

# Perform calculation
res = thinknode.do_calculation(iam, dose_calc, id)

```

```
dl.data("Calculation Result: ", res.text)
```

## Python: decimal Libraries

### dosimetry\_types

The *dosimetry\_types* module is a reconstruction of dosimetry manifest types in python class format. This includes interdependencies between types (e.g. the class "aperture\_creation\_params.view" requires the class "multiple\_source\_view").

Each data type detailed in the [Dosimetry Manifest Guide](#) has a corresponding class in this python module.

Below you will see as snippet from the *dosimetry\_types* module that shows the class for the *aperture\_creation\_params* dosimetry type along with its default initializations and *.out* function.

- **Interdependence:** When dosimetry data types are constructed of other or multiple dosimetry types, they will be constructed as such in each class as displayed by the *view* parameter of the *aperture\_creation\_params* in this example. The [sobp dose calculation](#) sample python script provides an example of this usage in actual practice.
- **out function:** Each class's *.out* function provides an ordered dictionary of each of the values in the class. This is explicitly an ordered dictionary since when calling a function in a calculation request, the order of the values provided matters if constructing the request by thinknode value type.

```
class aperture_creation_params:

    #Initialize
    def __init__(self):
        self.targets = []
        self.target_margin = 0.0
        multiple_source_vie = multiple_source_view()
        self.view = multiple_source_vie.out()
        self.mill_radius = 0.0
        self.organs = []
        self.half_planes = []
        self.corner_planes = []
        self.centerlines = []
        self.overrides = []
        self.downstream_edge = 0.0

    def out(self):
        values = OrderedDict([("targets", self.targets),
                              ("target_margin", self.target_margin),
                              ("view", self.view),
                              ("mill_radius", self.mill_radius),
                              ("organs", self.organs),
```

```
        ("half_planes", self.half_planes),
        ("corner_planes", self.corner_planes),
        ("centerlines", self.centerlines),
        ("overrides", self.overrides),
        ("downstream_edge", self.downstream_edge)
    ])
    return values
```

## thinknode\_worker

The *thinknode\_worker* module is the main work horse for communication with the dosimetry app and thinknode. The module will handle authentication, posting objects to ISS, creating most of the common calculation request structures, and posting the calculation request.

Refer to the [.decimal GitHub repository](#) for the complete module. Below are a few of the more common thinknode http worker and their intended usages:

```
# Authenticate with thinknode and store necessary ids
# Gets the realm_id, bucket_id, and context_id for the current iam
configuration
# param config: connection settings (url and unique basic user
authentication)
def authenticate(config):

# Send calculation request to thinknode api
# param config: connection settings (url, user token, and ids for context
and realm)
# param json_data: calculation request in json format
# param return_data: True = returns calculation result; False = returns
calculation id
def do_calculation(config, json_data, return_data=True):

# Post immutable object to ISS
# param config: connection settings (url, user token, and ids for context
and realm)
# param json_data: immutable object in json format
# param obj_name: object name of app to post to
def post_immutable(config, json_data, obj_name):

# Post immutable object to ISS
# param config: connection settings (url, user token, and ids for context
and realm)
# param obj_id: thinknode iss reference id for object to get
def get_immutable(config, obj_id):
```

## decimal\_logging

The *decimal\_logging* module provides formatted and detailed output window and file logging.

The following settings are available in the *decimal\_logging.py* file: **display\_timestamps**: display timestamps in the output window/logfile **display\_types**: display message types (e.g. debug, data, alert) in the output window/logfile **log\_file**: sets the logfile name and location

The following image shows the logging settings for each message type as:

1. Timestamps = *True*; Types = *True*
2. Timestamps = *False*; Types = *True*
3. Timestamps = *False*; Types = *False*



## Node.js

The following section contains examples using node.js and (if applicable) the specified modules. These examples are for a high level approach to encoding and decoding the blob data that is part of the Dosimetry App calculation request.

### Base64 Blob Format

The blob returned by a calculation request is formatted as such:

```
// value_type enum definitions
// Nil = 0;
// Boolean = 1;
// Number = 2;
// String = 3;
// Blob = 4;
// List = 5;
// Record = 6;

// For value_types nil, boolean, number, string
// <uint32 value_type enum (4 bytes)><data>

// For value_types blob, list, record
// <uint31 value_type enum (4 bytes)><size of each data (8 bytes)><data>
```

## Node: Decrypt Base64 Blob Data

The following example shows , using node.js, how to decode the base64 encoded data returned by a calculation request.

```
// The below base64string is a blob array with the values [ -25, -25, 25, -25,
25, 25, -25, 25 ]
var b64string = "CF2Hl0z_eJxjYWBgcGBABpYH0GgHHHwMcQDM7AYN";

// The below base64string is a number set to the value 25.1
//var b64string = "NztmHgzeJxjYmBgmDUTCCQtHQATFwOT";

var buf = new Buffer(b64string, 'base64');

var zlib = require('zlib');

function read_base_255_number(buf, offset) {
  var n = 0;
  var s = 0;
  while (offset < buf.length) {
    var digit = buf[offset];
    var value = buf.readUInt8(offset);
    offset++;
    s++;
    if (digit.toString(16) === 'ff') {
      break;
    }
    n = n * 255;
    n += value;
  }
  return [s, n];
}

var size = read_base_255_number(buf, 4);

zlib.unzip(buf.slice(4 + size[0]), function (err, data) {
  if (err) {
    throw err
  }
  var value_type = data.readUInt32LE(0);

  // Number
  if (value_type === 2) {
    console.log("DOUBLE", data.readDoubleLE(4));
  }
  // Blob
  else if (value_type === 4) {
    // Read size here
    var values = [];
```

```
    for (var i = 12; i < data.length; i+=8) {  
        values.push(data.readDoubleLE(i));  
    }  
    console.log(values); // Outputs: [ -25, -25, 25, -25, 25, 25, -25, 25  
]  
    }  
});
```

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