

Discussion

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Search within Globals (without class definitions)

So far, I found there are some interesting ways to search in global structure:

- through Query %Library.Global.Find
- through Query %Library.Global.Get

%Library.Global.Find

ObjectScript

```
set statement=##class(%SQL.Statement).%New()
set status=statement.%PrepareClassQuery("%Library.Global","Find")
set resultset=statement.%Execute("USER","^Persons","Email")
// <Namespace>,<Global>,<Keyword>
while resultset.%Next() {
    write !, resultset.%Get("Name"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Value"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Name Format"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Value Format")
}
```

Which would result in the following output:

```
^|"USER"|Persons(1,"Email","Home"), jsmith1234@gmail.com, 1, 1
^|"USER"|Persons(1,"Email","Work"), jsmith@somework.com, 1, 1
^|"USER"|Persons(2,"Email","Home"), mjones5678@email.com, 1, 1
^|"USER"|Persons(3,"Email","Home"), lstrait59@email.com, 1, 1
```

SQL

The same code can be directly used as a SQL call,

```
CALL %Library.Global_Find('USER','^Persons','Email')
```

Python

As such, this would also be able to be used in Python using JDBC,

```
import jaydebeapi
import pandas
import numpy
conn = jaydebeapi.connect(jdbc_javaDriverClass,
                          jdbc_link,
                          jdbc_auth,
                          jdbc_driver_jar,)

curs = conn.cursor()
query="CALL %Library.Global_Find('USER','^Persons','Email',1,1,1)"
curs.execute(query)
columns = [desc[0] for desc in curs.description] #getting column headers
df = pandas.DataFrame(curs.fetchall(),columns=columns)
curs.close()
conn.close()
```

Which would result in a nice Pandas DataFrame:

index	Name	Value	Name Format	Value Format
0	^ "USER" Persons(1," Email","Home")	jsmith1234@gmail.co m	1	1
1	^ "USER" Persons(1," Email","Work")	jsmith@somework.co m	1	1
2	^ "USER" Persons(2," Email","Home")	mjones5678@email.co m	1	1
3	^ "USER" Persons(3," Email","Home")	lstrait59@email.com m	1	1

%Library.Global.Get

The syntax is documented in the (InterSystems Reference API)[

https://cedocs.intersystems.com/latest/csp/documatic/%25CSP.Documatic.cls?PAGE=CLASS&LIBRARY=%25SYS&CLASSNAME=%25Library.Global#Anchor_Queries]

So what the most interesting part is that you can define search mask together with indices and at each specific level:

- To display a single node, use a complete global reference. For example: ^Sample.PersonD(9)
- To display a subtree, use a partial global reference without the right parenthesis. For example: ^%SYS("JOURNAL")
- To display all nodes that match a given subscript, include the desired subscript and leave other subscript fields empty.
 - For example: ^IRIS.Msg("en")
- To display all subtrees that match a given subscript, use a value as in the previous option but also omit the right parenthesis.
 - For example: ^IRIS.Msg("en")
- To display nodes that match a range of subscripts, use subscriptvalue1:subscriptvalue2 in the place of a subscript.
 - For example: ^Sample.PersonD(50:60)
- As with the previous option, if you omit the right parenthesis, the system displays the subtrees.

ObjectScript

```

set statement=##class(%SQL.Statement).%New()
set status=statement.%PrepareClassQuery("%Library.Global","Get")
set resultset=statement.%Execute("USER","^Persons(", "Email"")")
  while resultset.%Next() {
    write !, resultset.%Get("Name"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Value"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Name Format"),",", "
    write resultset.%Get("Value Format")
  }

```

which would result in:

```

^Persons(1,"Email","Home"), jsmith1234@gmail.com, 1, 1
^Persons(1,"Email","Work"), jsmith@somework.com, 1, 1
^Persons(2,"Email","Home"), mjones5678@email.com, 1, 1
^Persons(3,"Email","Home"), lstrait59@email.com, 1, 1

```

SQL

The same code can be directly used as a SQL call. Keep in mind that with InterSystems SQL; you should use single quote for strings instead of double-quotes.

```
CALL %Library.Global_Get('USER','^Persons(",Email"', '')
```

result:

Name	Value	Name Format	Value Format	Permissions
^Persons(1,"Email","Home")	jsmith1234@gmail.com	1	1	
^Persons(1,"Email","Work")	jsmith@somework.com	1	1	
^Persons(2,"Email","Home")	mjones5678@email.com	1	1	
^Persons(3,"Email","Home")	lstrait59@email.com	1	1	

Python

```

import jaydebeapi
import pandas
import numpy
conn = jaydebeapi.connect(jdbc_javaDriverClass,
                          jdbc_link,
                          jdbc_auth,
                          jdbc_driver_jar,)

curs = conn.cursor()
query=" "

```

```
CALL %Library.Global_Get('USER', '^Persons(,"Email",)', '', 1, 1, 0)
"""
curs.execute(query)
columns = [desc[0] for desc in curs.description] #getting column headers
df = pandas.DataFrame(curs.fetchall(), columns=columns)
curs.close()
conn.close()
```

You can notice there are some additional parameters at the end of the Get call. This is because when using JDBC, optional parameters are required.

Result:

index	Name	Value	Name Format	Value Format	Permissions
0	^Persons(1,"Email", ", "Home")	jsmith1234@gmail.com	1	1	None
1	^Persons(1,"Email", ", "Work")	jsmith@somework.com	1	1	None
2	^Persons(2,"Email", ", "Home")	mjones5678@email.com	1	1	None
3	^Persons(3,"Email", ", "Home")	lstrait59@email.com	1	1	None

Iterate through globals

\$Query

Performs a physical scan of a local or global array.

```
Class Selector.Globals Extends %RegisteredObject
{
  ClassMethod Find(FindWhat As %String, Root As %String) {
    Set node = $Query(@Root)
    While (node != "") {
      // write that depth-
      first node with that containing values concatenated with (concatenate operator is _)
      // result of $locate function which tells 1 (true) or 0 (false) if regular expression matches string
      Write node_"": "_$locate(node, FindWhat, , , tMatch), !
      // get next node
      Set node = $Query(@node)
    }
  }
}
```

When you use it,

```
set a=##class(Selector.Globals).%New()
do a.Find(".*\"Address\".*", "^Persons")
```

Note that the quotes are escaped in string with double quotes, so original regular expression for it is: `.*"Address".*`

This could be the way to search through globals using the regular expressions.

```
^Persons(1):0
^Persons(1,"Address","City"):1
^Persons(1,"Address","State"):1
^Persons(1,"Address","Street"):1
^Persons(1,"Address","Zip"):1
^Persons(1,"Email","Home"):0
^Persons(1,"Email","Work"):0
^Persons(1,"Name"):0
^Persons(2):0
^Persons(2,"Address"):1
^Persons(2,"Email","Home"):0
^Persons(2,"Name"):0
^Persons(2,"Phone",1,"Number"):0
^Persons(2,"Phone",1,"Type"):0
^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Number"):0
^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Type"):0
^Persons(3,"Address","City"):1
^Persons(3,"Address","State"):1
^Persons(3,"Address","Street"):1
^Persons(3,"Address","Zip"):1
^Persons(3,"CellPhone"):0
^Persons(3,"Email","Home"):0
^Persons(3,"Name"):0
^Persons(4,"Contact","Email","Home"):0
```

Appendix: Test Data for this example

ObjectScript

```
set ^Persons(1,"Name")="John Smith"
set ^Persons(1,"Email","Home")="jsmith1234@gmail.com"
set ^Persons(1,"Email","Work")="jsmith@somework.com"
set ^Persons(1,"Address","Street")="123 High St."
set ^Persons(1,"Address","City")="Cambridge"
set ^Persons(1,"Address","State")="MA"
set ^Persons(1,"Address","Zip")="02138"
set ^Persons(2,"Name")="Mary Jones"
set ^Persons(2,"Email","Home")="mjones5678@email.com"
set ^Persons(2,"Address")="67 Bennett Ave., Boston, MA 02111"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",1,"Type")="Cell"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",1,"Number")="333-333-3333"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Type")="Business"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Number")="111-111-1111"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Type")="Home"
set ^Persons(2,"Phone",2,"Number")="555-555-5555"
set ^Persons(3,"Name")="Lena Strait"
set ^Persons(3,"Email","Home")="lstrait59@email.com"
set ^Persons(3,"Address","Street")="124 Main St."
set ^Persons(3,"Address","City")="Syracuse"
```

```
set ^Persons(3,"Address","State")="NY"  
set ^Persons(3,"Address","Zip")="13211"  
set ^Persons(3,"CellPhone")="444-444-4444"
```

Python

```
import irisnative  
# create database connection and IRIS instance  
connection = irisnative.createConnection("localhost",  
    51773,  
    "USER",  
    "_SYSTEM",  
    "SYS")  
iris = irisnative.createIris(connection)  
iris.set("John Smith","Persons","1","Name")  
iris.set("jsmith1234@gmail.com","Persons","1","Email","Home")  
iris.set("jsmith@somework.com","Persons","1","Email","Work")  
iris.set("123 High St.,"Persons","1","Address","Street")  
iris.set("Cambridge","Persons","1","Address","City")  
iris.set("MA","Persons","1","Address","State")  
iris.set("02138","Persons","1","Address","Zip")  
iris.set("Mary Jones","Persons","2","Name")  
iris.set("mjones5678@email.com","Persons","2","Email","Home")  
iris.set("67 Bennett Ave., Boston, MA 02111","Persons","2","Address")  
iris.set("Cell","Persons","2","Phone","1","Type")  
iris.set("333-333-3333","Persons","2","Phone","1","Number")  
iris.set("Business","Persons","2","Phone","2","Type")  
iris.set("111-111-1111","Persons","2","Phone","2","Number")  
iris.set("Home","Persons","2","Phone","2","Type")  
iris.set("555-555-5555","Persons","2","Phone","2","Number")  
iris.set("Lena Strait","Persons","3","Name")  
iris.set("lstrait59@email.com","Persons","3","Email","Home")  
iris.set("124 Main St.,"Persons","3","Address","Street")  
iris.set("Syracuse","Persons","3","Address","City")  
iris.set("NY","Persons","3","Address","State")  
iris.set("13211","Persons","3","Address","Zip")  
iris.set("444-444-4444","Persons","3","CellPhone")  
connection.close()
```

Question

The question here is, are there any other ways to search for subscript/value within Global?

What would be other ways to do it?

How would the code look like if you want to optimize it with indexing (another global)?

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