MySQL Connector/Python Release Notes

Abstract

This document contains release notes for the changes in each release of MySQL Connector/Python.

For additional Connector/Python documentation, see MySQL Connector/Python Developer Guide.

Updates to these notes occur as new product features are added, so that everybody can follow the development process. If a recent version is listed here that you cannot find on the download page (http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/), the version has not yet been released.

The documentation included in source and binary distributions may not be fully up to date with respect to release note entries because integration of the documentation occurs at release build time. For the most up-to-date release notes, please refer to the online documentation instead.

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Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.2

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.2.1 (Not yet released)

Bugs Fixed

- Attempts to fetch a value having the BIT data type produced an error. (Bug #23729357)
- The fetchone() result set method and close() session method were missing. They are now included. (Bug #23568257, Bug #23550743)
- Session creating using a URL-format connection string failed. (Bug #23550057)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.2.0 (2016-07-12, Milestone 1)

MySQL Connector/Python 2.2.0 M1 is the first development release of the MySQL Connector/Python 2.2 series. This series adds support for the new X DevAPI. The X DevAPI enables application developers to write code that combines the strengths of the relational and document models using a modern, NoSQL-like syntax that does not assume previous experience writing traditional SQL.

To learn more about how to write applications using the X DevAPI, see X DevAPI User Guide. For more information about how the X DevAPI is implemented in MySQL Connector/Python, and its usage, see http://dev.mysgl.com/doc/dev/connector-python/

Please note that the X DevAPI requires at least MySQL Server version 5.7.12 or higher with the X Plugin enabled. For general documentation about how to get started using MySQL as a document store, see Using MySQL as a Document Store.

Bugs Fixed

- When using the C Extension with raise_on_warnings=True, errors were not thrown as exceptions when an executed statement produced an error, and it was not possible to reuse the cursor if the statement produced a result set. (Bug #21536507)
- When using the C Extension, character decoding of identifiers (database, table, column names) in result sets could fail. (Bug #21535573)
- When using the C Extension with the auth_plugin option, connect() calls failed. (Bug #21529781)
- In connections for which consume results=True, callproc() could hang. (Bug #21492815)
- Connections failed if the password began or ended with spaces because they were being stripped before the connection attempt. (Bug #21492428)
- Installation after configuring with the --with-mysql-capi option could fail if the download package had been renamed. (Bug #21490865)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.1

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.1.3 (2015-09-24)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

Connector/Python is now compatible with Django 1.8. (Bug #76752, Bug #20987205)

- When using the C Extension with raise_on_warnings=True, errors were not thrown as
 exceptions when an executed statement produced an error, and it was not possible to reuse the
 cursor if the statement produced a result set. (Bug #21536507)
- When using the C Extension, character decoding of identifiers (database, table, column names) in result sets could fail. (Bug #21535573)
- When using the C Extension with the auth_plugin option, connect() calls failed. (Bug #21529781)
- In connections for which consume_results=True, callproc() could hang. (Bug #21492815)
- Connections failed if the password began or ended with spaces because they were being stripped before the connection attempt. (Bug #21492428)
- Connection failure occurred for accounts authenticated with the sha256_password authentication plugin that had a blank password. (Bug #21420906)
- RPM packages of Connector/Python were missing some required __init_py__ files. (Bug #77819, Bug #21505096)
- The Connector/Python C Extension could exit when fetching a result set containing many NULL values. (Bug #77678, Bug #21420633)

- Connector/Python failed to complete the connection handshake with MySQL Server 5.5.8. (Bug #77040, Bug #21090014)
- Connector/Python hung until timeout if the query it was running was killed. (Bug #76156, Bug #20653441)
- Writing to a table with a BinaryField from Django resulted in a UnicodeDecodeError exception. (Bug #75175, Bug #21054559)
- Stripping NoneType objects from Django resulted in an AttributeError exception. (Bug #74675, Bug #21054556)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.1.2 (2015-04-30, Beta)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Previously, connections from Connector/Python to Fabric were always made using the XML-RPC protocol. It is now possible to connect using the MySQL client/server protocol. To specify the protocol, use the protocol value in the the fabric dictionary argument for the connect() method. Permitted protocol values are xmlrpc (the default) and mysql. With mysql, the default port becomes 32275, although that can be changed with an explicit port value. For more information, see Requesting a Fabric Connection.

- Connector/Python could raise an AttributeError exception for Fabric connections with MySQL Utilities 1.5.4 or 1.6.1. (Bug #20834643)
- The setup.py install command did not retain the value provided by the --install-lib option. (Bug #20217174)
- Encoding failure could occur for prepared cursors with UTF-8 statement parameters. (Bug #75542, Bug #20407036)
- The Connector/Python version checker for MySQL did not handle nonnumeric suffixes. During the build process, if the --with-mysql-api option was given, the check failed for installed versions of MySQL such as 5.7.6-m16. (Bug #75520, Bug #20365619)
- Values of the SET data type were not translated correctly if empty. (Bug #75402, Bug #20301989)
- HASH sharding for Fabric failed. (Bug #75287, Bug #20324089)
- Queries that produced a large result could result in an IndexError: bytearray index out of range exception. (Bug #74933, Bug #20462427)
- The Django backend was creating excessive connections (immediately when each
 DatabaseWrapper object was created rather than waiting until the object actually needed the
 connection.) (Bug #74696, Bug #19972427)
- Error messages containing non-ASCII characters caused an exception to be raised. (Bug #74345, Bug #19803702)
- The Django backend sometimes failed to properly convert SafeText objects, which then appeared in queries. (Bug #74336, Bug #20106629)
- When using the callproc() cursor method, warnings generated by statements executed within the
 procedure or generated by the procedure itself were not available to the client. (Bug #74252, Bug
 #19777815)
- Connection pooling did not work when using MySQL Fabric. (Bug #73445, Bug #19331658)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.1.1 (2015-02-23)

- · C Extension Notes
- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

C Extension Notes

MySQL Connector/Python distributions now are available that include a C Extension that interfaces
with the MySQL C client library. For queries that return large result sets, using the C Extension
can improve performance compared to a "pure Python" implementation of the MySQL client/server
protocol.

For binary Connector/Python distributions, some packaging types have a single distribution file that includes the pure-Python Connector/Python code together with the C Extension. (Windows MSI and OS X Disk Image packages fall into this category.) Other packaging types have two related distribution files: One that includes the pure-Python Connector/Python code, and one that includes only the C Extension. For packaging types that have separate distribution files, install both distributions if you want to use the C Extension. The two files have related names, the difference being that the one that contains the C Extension has "cext" in the distribution file name.

Source distributions include both the pure-Python code and the C Extension, and distribution names do not contain "cext". Instead, availability of the C Extension is determined by whether you compile the distribution with the --with-mysql-capi option.

Packages for Connector/Python with the C Extension are available at the Connector/Python download site. For installation instructions, see Connector/Python Installation. For information about using the C Extension, see The Connector/Python C Extension.

For Connector/Python installations that support the C Extension, the use_pure connection argument to connect() controls whether to use the extension. If use_pure is True (the default), the connection uses pure Python. If use_pure is False, the connection uses the C Extension.

It is also possible to use the C Extension directly, by importing the $_{mysql_connector}$ module rather than the $_{mysql_connector}$ module. See The $_{mysql_connector}$ C Extension Module.

Functionality Added or Changed

A new connect() option, consume_results, if enabled, causes result sets generated by queries
to be automatically consumed and discarded. The can_consume_results connection object
property indicates the value of consume_results.

- With mysql.connector.django as the engine, the python manage.py inspectdb command failed with an "Unread result found" error. (Bug #20022533)
- If the pool_size and pool_name connection arguments were specified using the option file (as opposed to being passed explicitly to the connect call), the pooled connection was successfully created, but an exception was raised when closing it. (Bug #19549363)
- The Django backend raised an exception when converting "0000-00-00 00:00:00" to None. (Bug #73940, Bug #19667984)
- The type_code in cursor.description did not compare equal to any of the type objects defined in mysql.connector.dbapi. (Bug #73798, Bug #19584051)
- Data corruption occurred when inserting sufficiently large data in a table with a TEXT type column
 using prepared statements, due to incorrect encoding of the data length while sending the prepared
 statement packet. (Bug #73690, Bug #19522948)

• When the character set was binary, character set conversion could occur. Conversion is no longer done and binary data is returned as is. (Bug #71909, Bug #19500097)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.1.0 (Not released, Alpha)

MySQL Connector/Python 2.1.0 is a labs-only release.

Version 2.1.0 has no changelog entries, or they have not yet been published because the product version has not yet been released.

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0.4 (2015-04-21)

Bugs Fixed

- The Changes.txt file was missing from .msi and .dmg packages. (Bug #20323087)
- Encoding failure could occur for prepared cursors with UTF-8 statement parameters. (Bug #75542, Bug #20407036)
- Values of the SET data type were not translated correctly if empty. (Bug #75402, Bug #20301989)
- HASH sharding for Fabric failed. (Bug #75287, Bug #20324089)
- Queries that produced a large result could result in an IndexError: bytearray index out of range exception. (Bug #74933, Bug #20462427)
- The Django backend sometimes failed to properly convert SafeText objects, which then appeared
 in queries. (Bug #74336, Bug #20106629)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0.3 (2015-01-28)

Bugs Fixed

- The Django backend was creating excessive connections (immediately when each DatabaseWrapper object was created rather than waiting until the object actually needed the connection.) (Bug #74696, Bug #19972427)
- Using the Django backend, it was not possible to connect to a connection_created signal. (Bug #74679, Bug #19954882)
- recv_plain() could fail to read a packet header correctly, resulting in a lost connection. (Bug #74483, Bug #19930054)
- Error messages containing non-ASCII characters caused an exception to be raised. (Bug #74345, Bug #19803702)
- When using the callproc() cursor method, warnings generated by statements executed within the
 procedure or generated by the procedure itself were not available to the client. (Bug #74252, Bug
 #19777815)
- Connection pooling did not work when using MySQL Fabric. (Bug #73445, Bug #19331658)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0.2 (2014-11-03)

Bugs Fixed

• If the pool_size and pool_name connection arguments were specified using the option file (as opposed to being passed explicitly to the connect call), the pooled connection was successfully created, but an exception was raised when closing it. (Bug #19549363)

- The Django backend raised an exception when converting "0000-00-00 00:00:00" to None. (Bug #73940, Bug #19667984)
- Using a connection_created signal defined in django.db.backends.signals caused a "maximum recursion depth reached" runtime error. (Bug #73847, Bug #19584116)
- The type_code in cursor.description did not compare equal to any of the type objects defined in mysql.connector.dbapi. (Bug #73798, Bug #19584051)
- Data corruption occurred when inserting sufficiently large data in a table with a TEXT type column using prepared statements, due to incorrect encoding of the data length while sending the prepared statement packet. (Bug #73690, Bug #19522948)
- When the character set was binary, character set conversion could occur. Conversion is no longer done and binary data is returned as is. (Bug #71909, Bug #19500097)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0.1 (2014-09-24, General Availability)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Connector/Python is now compatible with Django 1.7. (Bug #72746, Bug #19163169)
- RANGE_DATETIME is now supported as a sharding type. This is similar to the regular RANGE sharding type, but instead of an integer key, requires a datetime or date object. For example, to get the shard which holds employees hired after the year 2000, you could do the following, with lower bounds set as "group1/1980-01-01, group2/2000-01-01":

If the lower bounds included a time, it would have been like this:

Only datetime.datetime and datetime.date values are supported. Any other type given when using a shard defined using RANGE_DATETIME causes a ValueError to be raised.

 RANGE_STRING is now supported as a sharding type. This is similar to the regular RANGE sharding type, but instead of an integer key, requires a UTF-8 encoded string. For example:

Only Unicode strings are supported. Any other type given when using a shard defined using RANGE_STRING causes a ValueError to be raised.

- Connector/Python failed to catch an exception when SSL capability was found to be unavailable. (Bug #19440592)
- Date and time query formatting was fixed for the Django backend. (Bug #19179711)
- Multiple [connector_python] option groups sometimes caused an error. (Bug #19170287)

- An error failed to occur if an option file was named multiple times. (Bug #19169143)
- Some valid Connector/Python connection options were not recognized when specified in the [connector_python] option group. (Bug #19168737)
- !include and !includedir directives in option files were not handled properly. (Bug #73660, Bug #19481761)
- Binding None (NULL) to a parameter marker in a prepared statement did not work. (Bug #73370, Bug #19282158)
- With Python 2, Connector/Python could truncate digits of floating-point values. (Bug #73266, Bug #19225481)
- An exception was raised when a cursor tried to convert LINESTRING data as UTF-8 data. Now such
 values are returned without decoding. (Bug #73187, Bug #19164627)
- Connector/Python now supports a shutdown() method that, unlike disconnect(), closes the
 client connection without attempting to send a QUIT command to the server first. Thus, it will not
 block if the connection is disrupted for some reason such as network failure. (Bug #72691, Bug
 #18798953)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 2.0.0 (2014-07-24, Alpha)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• **Incompatible Change:** Previous series of Connector/Python had separate Python 2 and Python 3 code bases. For Connector/Python 2.0, the source tree has been reorganized to have a single code base, for easier maintenance, testing, and distribution.

This reorganization results in an incompatible change in behavior: With the use of "raw" cursors, the returned values is of the bytearray type. This is necessary for having both Python 2 and 3 return the same data. Consider the following example:

```
import mysql.connector

cnx = mysql.connector.connect(raw=True)

cursor = cnx.cursor()

cursor.execute('SELECT 1')

print(cursor.fetchall())
```

In Connector/Python 1.x, the output is:

- Using Python 2: [('1',)]
- Using Python 3: [(b'1',)]

In Connector/Python 2.0, for both Python versions, the output is: [(bytearray(b'1'),)]

To get the same value as in Connector/Python 1.x, do this:

- Using Python 2: str(bytearray(b'1'))
- Using Python 3: bytes((bytearray(b'1'))
- Important Change: Previously, to enable use of LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE, clients had to explicitly set the ClientFlag.LOCAL_FILES flag. This flag is now enabled by default. To disable it, the allow_local_infile option for connect() can be set to False.

- For a stored procedure that produces multiple result sets, it is now possible possible to execute the procedure and process its results by executing a CALL statement. Execute the statement using execute() with a multi=True argument, and use the returned iterator to process each result in turn. (Bug #73291, Bug #19207922)
- Connector/Python now supports option files using two new options for connect():
 - option_files: Which option files to read. The value can be a file path name (a string) or
 a sequence of path name strings. By default, Connector/Python reads no option files, so this
 argument must be given explicitly to cause option files to be read. Files are read in the order
 specified.
 - option_groups: Which groups to read from option files, if option files are read. The value can be an option group name (a string) or a sequence of group name strings. If this argument is not given, the default value is ['client, 'connector_python'] to read the [client] and [connector_python] groups.

For more information, see Connector/Python Option-File Support.

- The mysql.connector.cursor module supports four new cursor classes:
 - The MySQLCursorDict cursor class returns each row as a dictionary. The keys for each dictionary object are the column names of the MySQL result.

```
cursor = cnx.cursor(dictionary=True)
```

• The MySQLCursorBufferedDict cursor class is like MySQLCursorDict, but fetches the entire result set after executing the query and buffers the rows.

```
cursor = cnx.cursor(dictionary=True, buffered=True)
```

• The MySQLCursorNamedTuple cursor class returns each row as a named tuple. Each column is accessible through an attribute of the tuple-like object.

```
cursor = cnx.cursor(named_tuple=True)
```

• The MySQLCursorBufferedNamedTuple cursor class is like MySQLCursorNamedTuple, but fetches the entire result set after executing the query and buffers the rows.

```
cursor = cnx.cursor(named_tuple=True, buffered=True)
```

For more information, see Subclasses cursor.MySQLCursor.

 The packaging modules and supporting files have been removed from the main repository and from the source packages for Connector/Python. They are still available in the Connector/Python 1.x series.

- Django TimeField values of 00:00:00 were incorrectly converted to NULL because Python considered that value equal to False. (Bug #72732, Bug #18956789)
- Fetching results from a prepared statement that returned many columns could produce an error. (Bug #72602, Bug #18742429)
- Previously, a RuntimeError exception was raised when a Django application was inactive for a while. Now, the Django backend verifies that the database connection is still valid each time a database request is made. (Bug #72545, Bug #18843153)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2.4 (Not yet released)

Bugs Fixed

• Using a connection_created signal defined in django.db.backends.signals caused a "maximum recursion depth reached" runtime error. (Bug #73847, Bug #19584116)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2.3 (2014-08-22)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

Connector/Python is now compatible with Django 1.7. (Bug #72746, Bug #19163169)

Bugs Fixed

- The specification and control files were updated to reflect that Connector/Python 1.2 cannot be used with MySQL Utilities 1.5.1 (which requires Connector/Python 2.0 or greater). (Bug #19444705)
- Connector/Python failed to catch an exception when SSL capability was found to be unavailable. (Bug #19440592)
- With Python 2, Connector/Python could truncate digits of floating-point values. (Bug #73266, Bug #19225481)
- An exception was raised when a cursor tried to convert LINESTRING data as UTF-8 data. Now such
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- Previously, a RuntimeError exception was raised when a Django application was inactive for a while. Now, the Django backend verifies that the database connection is still valid each time a database request is made. (Bug #72545, Bug #18843153)
- Negative timedelta values were incorrectly converted to and from Python. Thanks to Vitali Graf for the patch. (Bug #72493, Bug #18694096)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2.2 (2014-05-27, General Availability)

- The Fabric connection configuration permitted username but not user as a parameter name, which is inconsistent with the connection arguments permitted by Connector/Python itself. Now either can be used. (Using both raises a ValueError.) (Bug #18463182)
- In the MySQLProtocol._auth_response method of the mysql.connector.protocol module, the auth_response variable was changed without being defined first. (Bug #18463182)
- Commercial Debian Connector/Python packages included a copyright file containing a GPL license. (Bug #18422727)
- For Fabric connections, the Weighted Round Robin (WRR) load balancing algorithm stopped working properly due to cache problems. (Bug #17995416)

- Building an RPM package using python setup.py bdist_rpm did not work. (Bug #72261, Bug #18550039)
- The community MSI Connector/Python packages contained empty documentation PDF and HTML files. These have been removed and replaced with the README_DOCS.txt file which contains a URL to the online manual. (Bug #72245, Bug #18527132)
- For Python 3, when parameters were passed as a dictionary to the MySQLCursor methods execute() and executemany(), only first occurrence of each element in the query was replaced by the parameter value. (Bug #71975, Bug #18389196)
- Connector/Python raised all deprecation warnings as errors when Django was run in debug mode.
 Now only database warnings are raised as errors in debug mode. (Bug #71806, Bug #18380134)
- when MySQLCursor.execute() was passed values of a data type which cannot be converted, the exception raised was not easy to understand. Now a nicer error message is displayed when unconvertible Python types are given. (Bug #71729, Bug #18258807)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2.1 (2014-03-31, Release Candidate)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Connector/Python now permits the type for stored procedure parameters to be specified. To do
 this, specify a parameter as a two-item tuple consisting of the parameter value and type. For more
 information, see MySQLCursor.callproc() Method. (Bug #71124, Bug #17965619)
- It was not possible to initiate an SSL session without explicitly giving a key and certificate. Now it is possible to connect to a MySQL server using only the ssl_ca connection argument pointing to a file of CA certificates. This means the ssl_key and ssl_cert connection arguments are optional. However, when either is given, both must be given or an AttributeError is raised. (Bug #69418, Bug #17054848)
- Connector/Python now supports authentication plugins found in MySQL 5.6. This includes
 mysql_clear_password and sha256_password, both of which require an SSL connection. The
 sha256_password plugin does not work over a non-SSL connection because Connector/Python
 does not support RSA encryption.
 - The connect() method now supports an auth_plugin parameter that can be used to force use of a particular plugin. For example, if the server is configured to use sha256_password by default and you want to connect to an account that authenticates using mysql_native_password, either connect using SSL or specify auth_plugin='mysql_native_password'. (Bug #68054, Bug #16217765)
- The connect() method now accepts a failover argument that provides information to use for server failover in the event of connection failures. The argument value is a tuple or list of dictionaries (tuple is preferred because it is nonmutable). Each dictionary contains connection arguments for a given server in the failover sequence. Permitted dictionary values are: user, password, host, port, unix_socket, database, pool_name, pool_size.
- Connector/Python now enables applications to specify additional information to be used when connecting to Fabric: User name and credentials, and information to use for establishing an SSL connection. The fabric dictionary argument to the connect() method accepts these additional values: username, password, ssl_ca, ssl_cert, ssl_key. Only the ssl_ca value is required to establish an SSL connection. If ssl_cert or ssl_key are given, both must be specified. For more information, see Requesting a Fabric Connection.
- Connector/Python now can report errors to Fabric that occur while accessing a MySQL instance. The information can be used to update the backing store and trigger a failover operation, provided that

the instance is a primary server and Fabric has received a sufficient number of problem reports from different connectors.

- The fabric dictionary argument to the connect() method now accepts a report_errors value. Its default value is False; pass a value of True to enable error reporting to Fabric.
- To define which errors to report, use the extra_failure_report() function:

```
from mysql.connector.fabric import extra_failure_report
extra_failure_report([error_code_0, error_code_1, ...])
```

For more information, see Requesting a Fabric Connection.

A new MySQLConnection class reset_connection() method enables applications
to send a COM_RESET_CONNECTION to the server. This method is analogous to the
mysql_reset_connection() C API function added in MySQL 5.7.3.

A new MySQLConnection class reset_session() method is similar to reset_connection() but falls back to use reauthentication for older servers that do not support COM_RESET_CONNECTION. For more information, see MySQLConnection.cmd_reset_connection() Method, and MySQLConnection.reset_session() Method.

Bugs Fixed

- The MySQLConnection.autocommit attribute failed to set the value of the self._autocommit attribute. (Bug #18172769)
- Uninstalling Connector/Python using an RPM package failed to remove the fabric folder. (Bug #18143073)
- The global MYSQL_FABRIC_PORT variable was changed from 8080 to 32274 to match the port change made in Fabric. (Bug #18075339)

References: See also: Bug #70954.

- For Fabric connections, any connect_attempts and connect_delay values specified by the user were ignored. (Bug #18055719)
- For Fabric sharding operations, Connector/Python raised an incorrect error when a table was given with the tables connection property for which no sharding information was available. This now results in a DatabaseError (with errorcode.ER_BAD_TABLE_ERROR) mentioning that the table is unknown. (Bug #18047794)
- For Fabric operations, an incorrect exception was raised by set_property() when a connection
 property value had the wrong type (for example, when the tables property was not a tuple or a list).
 set_property() now correctly raises a ValueError. (Bug #18047758)
- For Fabric operations, the default mode was supposed to be read/write but was set to read-only. (Bug #18047591)
- The delay between attempts when trying to connect to a MySQL Fabric-managed server was not honored. (Bug #71905, Bug #18335432)
- Fabric has renamed the dump functionality to a new command called dump. Consequently, Connector/Python now uses the new functions dump.sharding_information, dump.fabric_nodes, and dump.servers. (Bug #71124, Bug #17965619)
- MySQLCursor.executemany() caused a UnicodeDecodeError when non-ASCII characters
 existed in the seq_params parameter and the operation was a Unicode instance with Python 2. This
 is now corrected by encoding the operation per the current connection character set. (Bug #69067,
 Bug #18220593)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.2.0 (2013-12-23, Alpha)

Functionality Added or Changed

- Connector/Python now supports Fabric. See Connector/Python Fabric Support. Supported capabilities include:
 - · High-Availability group lookup using read-only or read-write mode
 - · Range and hash sharding support
 - · Failure reporting to Fabric
 - · Failover support
 - · Load balancing based on MySQL server weight

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.7 (2014-05-13)

Bugs Fixed

- Commercial Debian Connector/Python packages included a copyright file containing a GPL license. (Bug #18422727)
- For Django, introspecting to get the primary key of MySQL tables could fail in Python 3. (Bug #72001, Bug #18380100)
- In prepared statements, Unicode arguments in Python 2 and bytes arguments in Python 3 were causing errors, as were the symbols of character sets other than utf8 or ascii. (Bug #71482, Bug #18144971)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.6 (2014-02-19)

Bugs Fixed

 Connector/Python produced errors using time functions with Django 1.6 due to not using the autocommit value from Django. Now the value is set to that specified in the Django configuration file. (Bug #71438, Bug #18187561)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.5 (2014-01-31)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- · Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Connector/Python is now compatible with Django 1.6. (Bug #17857712)
- utf8mb4 is now recognized as a valid character set. (Bug #70596, Bug #17780576)
- The start_transaction() method now supports a readonly argument. This argument can be True to start the transaction in READ ONLY mode or False to start it in READ WRITE mode. If readonly is omitted, the server's default access mode is used. For details about transaction access mode, see the description for the START TRANSACTION statement at START TRANSACTION, COMMIT, and ROLLBACK Syntax. If the server is older than MySQL 5.6.5, it does not support setting the access mode and Connector/Python raises a ValueError. (Bug #70545, Bug #17573172)

• When using connection pooling, a connection returned to the pool was not reset, so session variables retained their values. Now these variables are reset by re-authenticating the user when the connection is returned to the pool. To disable this behavior, pass a pool_reset_session argument to connect() when requesting a pooled connection:

```
cnx = mysql.connector.connect(pool_reset_session=False,...)
```

(Bug #18040042)

- An incorrectly handled error in MySQLProtocol.parse_column_count() method could lead to a misreported error message. (Bug #17958420)
- executemany() failed with INSERT INTO ... SELECT statements. (Bug #70529, Bug #17826833)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.4 (2013-12-17, General Availability)

MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.4 is a new version of the pure Python database driver for MySQL. This is the first GA (General Availability) version of Connector/Python 1.1.

MySQL Connector/Python version 1.1 is compatible with MySQL Server versions 5.5 and greater, but should work with earlier versions greater than 4.1. Python 2.6 and greater as well as Python 3.1 and greater are supported. Python 2.4 and 2.5 are not supported.

Bugs Fixed

 Python method call overhead was reduced for certain update and select operations. (Bug #17890173)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.3 (2013-11-15)

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• The Connector/Python source code has been made compliant with PEP-8 to the extent possible.

Bugs Fixed

- Connection pooling did not correctly handle unavailable servers; for a connection that could not be established, it failed to return the connection to the pool. Now reconnection is attempted and if that fails, the connection is returned to the pool. (Bug #17578937)
- There was a problem saving data containing the backslash character or 0x5c using multibyte character sets such as sjis, big5, or gbk. To handle this, there is a new HexLiteral type. When a backslash is found in such as sjis, big5, or gbk data, the string is sent as a hexadecimal literal to MySQL. (Bug #69710, Bug #17079344)
- Connection attempts failed on older versions of FreeBSD. (Bug #69088, Bug #17372107)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.2 (2013-10-23)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• The error message raised when a connection pool has no more connections available now indicates "pool exhausted" rather than "queue is empty". (Bug #17406263)

- Previously, instantiating a cursor for prepared statements was done using
 MySQLConnection.cursor(cursor_class=MySQLCursorPrepared). Now this can be done
 using MySQLConnection.cursor(prepared=True). (Bug #17215197)
- Previously, setting a custom converter class was possible after instantiating a new connection object.
 The connect() method now accepts a converter_class connection argument that takes a class and sets it when configuring the connection. An AttributeError is raised if the custom converter class is not a subclass of conversion. MySQLConverterBase. (Bug #13551483)
- The connect() method now accepts a boolean compress={False|True} argument indicating whether to use the compressed client/server protocol (default False). This provides an easier alternative to setting the ClientFlag.COMPRESS flag. (Bug #13369592)

Bugs Fixed

- In some cases, when a Connector/Python application exited, a RuntimeError was raised when using Python 3. (Bug #17424009)
- cmd_shutdown() did not work correctly when a server for MySQL 5.6 or higher raised a
 DatabaseError (1835: Malformed communication packet). (Bug #17422299)
- Attempts to change the size of an existing connection pool were not rejected. (Bug #17372107)
- The DatabaseOperations.last_executed_query() method in the Django base module was unnecessarily decoding the string, resulting in an error when using Python 3. (Bug #70324, Bug #17473273)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.1 (2013-09-10)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Incompatible Change: The original message passed to errors.Error() was not saved in such a way that it could be retrieved. Instead, the Error.msg attribute was formatted with the error number and SQLSTATE value. Now only the original message is saved in the Error.msg attribute. The formatted value together with the error number and SQLSTATE value can be obtained by printing or getting the string representation of the error object. Example:

(Bug #16933795)

• Output for individual unit tests did not show timings, making it more difficult to debug problems that involve a change in test execution time. unittest.py now has a new --stats option that runs tests and shows elapsed time for each.

It is also possible to save the data to a MySQL server. When the <code>--stats-host</code> option is given with other options such as <code>--stats-user</code>, results are saved to a table called <code>myconnpy_X_Y_Z</code>. The table contains the name of the test case and columns that combine Python and MySQL versions; for example, py27my55 or py33my56.

For example, to see the difference between MySQL 5.1 and 5.6, using Python 2.7, after running the test cases for both using Connector/Python 1.1.0, use this statement:

```
SELECT test_case, py27my51, py27my56, (py27my56-py27my51) AS diff51 FROM myconnpy_1_1_0 WHERE (py27my56-py27my51) > 0.5;
```

(Bug #17028999)

- Connector/Python now includes a mysql.connector.django module that provides a Django backend for MySQL. This backend supports new features found in MySQL 5.6 such as fractional seconds support for temporal data types. For more information, see Connector/Python Django Backend.
- MySQL Connector/Python now supports simple connection pooling that has these characteristics:
 - A pool opens a number of connections and handles thread safety when providing connections to requesters.
 - The size of a connection pool is configurable at pool creation time. It cannot be resized thereafter.
 - A connection pool can be named at pool creation time. If no name is given, one is generated using the connection parameters.
 - The connection pool name can be retrieved from the connection pool or connections obtained from
 it.
 - It is possible to have multiple connection pools. This enables applications to support pools of connections to different MySQL servers, for example.
 - For each connection request, the pool provides the next available connection. No round-robin or other scheduling algorithm is used.
 - It is possible to reconfigure the connection parameters used by a pool. These apply to connections obtained from the pool thereafter. Reconfiguring individual connections obtained from the pool by calling the connection <code>config()</code> method is not supported.

Applications that can benefit from connection-pooling capability include:

- Middleware that maintains multiple connections to multiple MySQL servers and requires connections to be readily available.
- Web sites that can have more "permanent" connections open to the MySQL server.

The connection pooling implementation involves these interface elements:

- A new module, mysql.connector.pooling, provides two classes: MySQLConnectionPool instantiates and manages connection pools, and PooledMySQLConnection is similar to MySQLConnection but is used for connections that are part of a connection pool.
- A new exception, PoolError, occurs for pool-related exceptions. PoolError is a subclass of Error.

For more information, see Connector/Python Connection Pooling.

Bugs Fixed

• Following fetchone() or fetchmany(), the result returned by fetchall() was missing one row. (Bug #17041412)

• Previously, executing a statement after the connection was closed raised an OperationalError with an unclear error. Connector/Python now returns the client error 2006, MySQL Server has gone away, with an extra message.

The Error() class has been extended to accept a new argument, extra_msg. When given, it is appended between brackets. For example: [2000] Unknown MySQL Error (Some extra message) (Bug #17022399)

- LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE failed for files approximately 14MB or larger. (Bug #17002411)
- Invoking executemany() without any data produced a ProgrammingError rather than doing nothing. (Bug #16660356)
- An InternalError was raised during transaction rollback if there were unread results. The MySQLConnection.rollback() method now consumes unread results instead of raising an error. (Bug #16656621)
- Python 2.6 and 2.7 raised a UnicodeDecodeError when unicode_literals was used and a database name contained nonlatin Unicode characters. (Bug #16655208)
- The MySQLCursor.executemany() method raised an exception when an SQL function was used as a column value when executing an INSERT statement. (Bug #69675, Bug #17065366)
- An unclear OperationalError was raised if a cursor object was closed while there were unread
 results. Connector/Python now raises an InternalError indicating that there are still unread
 results. This provides information that to avoid the error it is necessary to consume the result by
 reading all rows. (Bug #67649, Bug #17041240)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.1.0 (2013-07-02, Alpha)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- **Incompatible Change:** Python 2 code was changed to use new features introduced in Python 2.6 and 2.7. Some examples:
 - print() is used as a function, not a statement.
 - Exceptions are handled using the as keyword.
 - The in keyword is used instead of the has_key() dictionary method.

This change means that MySQL Connector/Python 1.1 does not work with versions of Python older than 2.6.

- Connector/Python was updated with error information from MySQL 5.7.1. (Bug #16896702)
- mysql.connector.__version__ and mysql.connector.__version_info__ now are available to provide MySQL Connector/Python version information in a more standard, Pythonic manner.
- MySQLConnection objects now support an in_transaction property that returns True or False to indicate whether a transaction is active for the connection.
- MySQLConnection objects now support a start_transaction() method to begin a transaction.
 This method accepts arguments indicating whether to use a consistent snapshot and which transaction isolation level to use:

The default consistent_snapshot value is False. The default isolation_level value is None, and permitted values are 'READ UNCOMMITTED', 'READ COMMITTED', 'REPEATABLE READ', and 'SERIALIZABLE'.

Connector/Python supports a new MySQLCursorPrepared class that enables execution
of prepared SQL statements using the binary client/server protocol. For details, see
cursor.MySQLCursorPrepared Class.

Bugs Fixed

 Relative imports were removed from Python 3 code. PEP-8 indicates that relative imports are discouraged. (Bug #16234372)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.12 (2013-07-24)

Bugs Fixed

- Following fetchone() or fetchmany(), the result returned by fetchall() was missing one row. (Bug #17041412)
- LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE failed for files approximately 14MB or larger. (Bug #17002411)
- The fetchall() methods for buffered cursors were returning all rows after fetchone() or fetchmany() were used. fetchall() now correctly returns all or remaining, just like the nonbuffered cursors. (Bug #16662920)
- Python 2.6 and 2.7 raised a UnicodeDecodeError when unicode_literals was used and a
 database name contained nonlatin Unicode characters. (Bug #16655208)
- The MySQLCursor.executemany() method raised an exception when an SQL function was used as a column value when executing an INSERT statement. (Bug #69675, Bug #17065366)
- An unclear OperationalError was raised if a cursor object was closed while there were unread results. Connector/Python now raises an InternalError indicating that there are still unread results. This provides information that to avoid the error it is necessary to consume the result by reading all rows. (Bug #67649, Bug #17041240)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.11 (2013-07-01)

Functionality Added or Changed

- Connector/Python was updated with error information from MySQL 5.7.1. (Bug #16896702)
- Debian (.deb) packages for Connector/Python are now available.

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.10 (2013-05-07)

Functionality Added or Changed

- A new connection option ssl_verify_cert checks the SSL certificate for the server against the certificate found in the file specified by the ssl_ca option. This option is disabled by default. Any certificate mismatch of invalid combination of SSL options will raise a ValueError exception. (Bug #16400735)
- Connector/Python now supports the LOCAL keyword for LOAD DATA LOCAL. (Bug #16369511, Bug #16736916)

- The MySQLConnection.cmd_shutdown() method now accepts an optional shutdown type. A new ShutdownType constants class was added. (Bug #16234441)
- The GPL Connector/Python packages contained non-GPL documentation. This could be an issue when Linux distributions would like to repackage. PDF and other documentation formats now are removed from the GPL packages, which point in the README_DOCS.txt file to online availability of the manual. (Bug #68509, Bug #16430013)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.9 (2013-02-26)

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

Previously, when setting up an SSL connection, the developer had to set the ClientFlag.SSL explicitly in the client_flags argument of the mysql.connector.connect() function call. Now, whenever SSL arguments are specified, the client flag is set automatically. This change makes the SSL behavior of Connector/Python more consistent with other MySQL connectors. (Bug #16217667, Bug #68172)

Bugs Fixed

- The DistUtils command was not copying version.py into the build directory, so that the build/lib directory could not be used for development without manually copying version.py. (Bug #16236136)
- Passing string parameters to a stored procedure resulted in extra quotes being included in the value.
 This was caused by the conversion from Python to MySQL data types being applied two times. We now only convert once, and pass the values correctly.

MySQLCursor.callproc() now also raises a ValueError when the type of an argument is incorrect. (Bug #16217743, Bug #68066)

• Fixed IPv6 for older Microsoft Windows versions. Also improved the associated code for all operating systems: we now use <code>socket.getaddrinfo()</code> instead of <code>inet_pton()</code> to check whether we are connecting using IPv4 or IPv6.

A new connection option force_ipv6 has been introduced. When set to True, IPv6 will be used when an address resolves to both IPv4 and IPv6. Otherwise, IPv4 is favored. (Bug #16209119)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.8 (2012-12-21)

Fixes bugs since the initial 1.0.7 GA release.

Bugs Fixed

- When a stored procedure was called with arguments, and produced multiple result sets, the result sets were not returned properly. (Bug #15916486, Bug #67710)
- The ping() method was always reconnecting to the database, ignoring the reconnect argument. This means that there would be a rollback when pinging the MySQL server during a transaction.

Now ping() will honor the reconnect option and only reestablish the connection when needed. (Bug #15915243, Bug #67650)

• Connector/Python could not connect to MySQL servers using IPv6 addresses. An InterfaceError or ConnectionRefusedErrorwas raised:

mysql.connector.errors.InterfaceError: 2003: Can't connect to MySQL server on

```
'IPv6-style address' (Address family for hostname not supported)

ConnectionRefusedError: [Errno 111] Connection refused
```

(Bug #15876886, Bug #15927825)

- When connecting to a MySQL server from a host whose IP address was not allowed, Connector/ Python reported a handshake problem and raised an InterfaceError exception. (Bug #15836979)
- When a username or password was passed in as Unicode to Connector/Python, connection attempts failed with UnicodeDecodeError exceptions due to string concatenation of mixed-charset types. This issue affected programs running under Python 2, and did not affect Python 3. (Bug #14843456, Bug #67306)
- Intermittent errors could occur on Windows systems: InterfaceError(errno=2013). The cause was incorrect handling of sock.recv() library calls that returned less data than was requested. (Bug #14829471, Bug #67303)
- A socket error would produce a NameError exception instead of the expected InterfaceError, due to a misnamed variable:

```
NameError: global name 'e' is not defined
```

(Bug #14802017)

- The executemany() function now supports the pyformat parameter style. In the pyformat style, all the substitution variables are passed in using a single dictionary parameter, and the % format specifier is encoded like %(dict_key)s for a string. MySQLCursor.executemany() can now use both ANSI C printf and Python extended format codes. (Bug #14754894, Bug #67146)
- The error message was clarified when a non-integer value was used for the TCP/IP port connection argument. (Bug #13808727, Bug #64543)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.7 (29 September 2012, General Availability)

GA release. Connector/Python is now production-ready.

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

 Client and server error messages have been regenerated using the MySQL 5.6.6 development release.

Bugs Fixed

• Fixed formatting of client errors changing numeric to string placeholders. (Bug #14548043)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.6 (30 August 2012)

Second beta release.

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

- Changed how MySQL server errors are mapped to Python exceptions. We now use the SQLState (when available) to raise a better error.
 - Incompatibility: some server errors now are raised with a different exception.
 - It is possible to override how errors are raised using the mysql.connector.custom_error_exception() function, defined in the mysql.connector.errors module. This can be useful for certain frameworks to align with other database drivers.
- Changed name and version of distributions to align with other MySQL projects:
 - The version now includes the suffix 'b' for beta and 'a' for alpha followed by a number. This version is used in the source and built distributions. GA versions will have no suffix.
 - The RPM spec files have been updated to create packages whose names are aligned with RPMs from other MySQL projects.

Bugs Fixed

- Fixed version-specific code so Connector/Python works with Python 3.3. (Bug #14524942)
- Fixed MySQLCursorRaw.fetchall() so it does not raise an exception when results are available. (Bug #14517262, Bug #66465)
- Timeout for unit tests has been set to 10 seconds. Test cases can individually adjust it to be higher or lower. (Bug #14487502)
- Fixed installation of version.py on OS X:
 - version.py is now correctly installed on OS X in the mysql.connector package. Previously, it was installed through data_files, and version.py ended up in the system-wide package location of Python, from which it could not be imported.
 - data_files is not used any longer in setup.py and is removed. Extra files like version.py now are copied in the custom Distutils commands.

(Bug #14483142)

- Fixed test cases in test_mysql_database.py that failed when using YEAR(2) with MySQL 5.6.6 and greater. (Bug #14460680)
- Fixed SSL unit testing for source distributions:
 - The SSL keys and certificates were missing and now are added to the source distribution. Now SSL testing works properly.
 - Additionally for the Windows platform, forward slashes were added to the option file creation so the MySQL server can pick up the needed SSL files.

(Bug #14402737)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.5 (17 July 2012, Beta)

First beta release.

Functionality Added or Changed

• Added descriptive error codes for both client and server errors in the module errorcode. A new sub-package locales has been added, which currently only supports English client error messages.

For example, errorcode.CR_CONNECTION_ERROR is 2002.

• Added SQLMode class in the constants module to make it easier to set modes. For example:

```
cnx.sql_mode = [SQLMode.REAL_AS_FLOAT, SQLMode.NO_ZERO_DATE]
```

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.4 (07 July 2012)

Internal alpha release.

Bugs Fixed

- Incompatible Change: The method MySQLConnection.set_charset() has been removed and replaced by MySQLConnection.set_charset_collation() to simplify setting and retrieving character set and collation information. The MySQLConnection properties collation and charset are now read-only. (Bug #14260052)
- Incompatible Change: The MySQLConnection methods unset_client_flag() and set_client_flag() have been removed. Use theset_client_flags() method instead using a sequence. (Bug #14259996)
- Incompatible Change: Fixed MySQLConnection.cmd_query() to raise an error when the operation has multiple statements. We introduced a new method MySQLConnection.cmd_query_iter() which needs to be used when multiple statements send to the MySQL server. It returns a generator object to iterate through results.

When executing single statements, MySQLCursor.execute() will always return None. You can use the MySQLCursor property with_rows to check whether a result could have rows or not.

MySQLCursor.execute() returns a generator object with which you can iterate over results when executing multiple statements.

The MySQLCursor.next_resultset() became obsolete and was removed and the MySQLCursor.next_proc_result() method has been renamed to MySQLCursor.proc_results(), which returns a generator object. The MySQLCursor.with_rows property can be used to check if a result could return rows. The multiple_resultset.py example script shows how to go through results produced by sending multiple statements. (Bug #14208326)

- Fixed MySQLCursor.executemany() when INSERT statements use the ON DUPLICATE KEY clause with a function such as VALUES(). (Bug #14259954)
- Fixed unit testing on the Microsoft Windows platform. (Bug #14236592)
- Fixed converting a datetime.time to a MySQL type using Python 2.4 and 2.5. The strftime() function has no support for the %f mark in those Python versions. (Bug #14231941)
- Fixed cursor.CursorBase attributes description, lastrowid and rowcount to be read-only properties. (Bug #14231160)
- Fixed MySQLConnection.cmd_query() and other methods so they check first whether there are unread results. (Bug #14184643)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.3 (08 June 2012)

Internal alpha release.

Functionality Added or Changed

- Adding support for time values with a fractional part, for MySQL 5.6.4 and greater. A new example script microseconds.py was added to show this functionality.
- Adding new Distutils commands to create Windows Installers using WiX and RPM packages.

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.2 (19 May 2012)

Internal alpha release.

- · Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

Added more unit tests for modules like connection and network as well as testing the SSL functionality.

Bugs Fixed

Fixed bootstrapping MySQL 5.6 running unit tests.

Messages send by the bootstrapped MySQL server to stdout and stderr now are discarded. (Bug #14048685)

Fixing and refactoring the mysql.connector.errors module. (Bug #14039339)

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.1 (26 April 2012)

Internal alpha release.

Functionality Added or Changed

• Change the version so it only contain integers. The 'a' or 'alpha' suffix will not be present in packages, but it will be mentioned in the _version.py module since metasetupinfo.py uses this information to set, for example, the Trove classifiers dynamically.

Changes in MySQL Connector/Python 1.0.0 (22 April 2012, Alpha)

Internal alpha release.

- Functionality Added or Changed
- Bugs Fixed

Functionality Added or Changed

• Incompatible Change: MySQLConnection.reconnect() can be used to reconnect to the MySQL server. It accepts number of retries and an optional delay between attempts.

MySQLConnectiong.ping() is now a method and works the way the MySQL C API mysql_ping() function works: it raises an error. It can also optionally reconnect.

MySQLConnection.is_connected() now returns True when connection is available, False otherwise.

ping() and is_connected() are backward incompatible. (Bug #13392739)

• Refactored the modules connection and protocol and created a new module network. The MySQLProtocol does not keep a reference to the connection object any more and deals only with creating and parsing MySQL packets. Network interaction is now done by the MySQLConnection objects (with the exception of MySQLProtocol.read_text_result()).

Bugs Fixed

• Fixed metasetupinfo.py to use the Connector/Python which is being installed instead of the version already installed. (Bug #13962765)

- Fixed MySQLCursor.description so it stores column names as Unicode. (Bug #13792575)
- Fixed dbapi.Binary to be a bytes types for Python 3.x. (Bug #13780676)
- Fixed automatic garbage collection which caused memory usage to grow over time. Note that MySQLConnection does not keep track of its cursors any longer. (Bug #13435186)
- Fixed setting time zone for current MySQL session. (Bug #13395083)
- Fixed setting and retrieving character set and collation. (Bug #13375632)
- Fixed handling of errors after authentication for Python 3. (Bug #13364285)

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