



Programming for IoT Applications

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Lecture 6





Web Services introduction

CHERRYPY - A MINIMALIST PYTHON WEB FRAMEWORK

What did we study during the last lecture?





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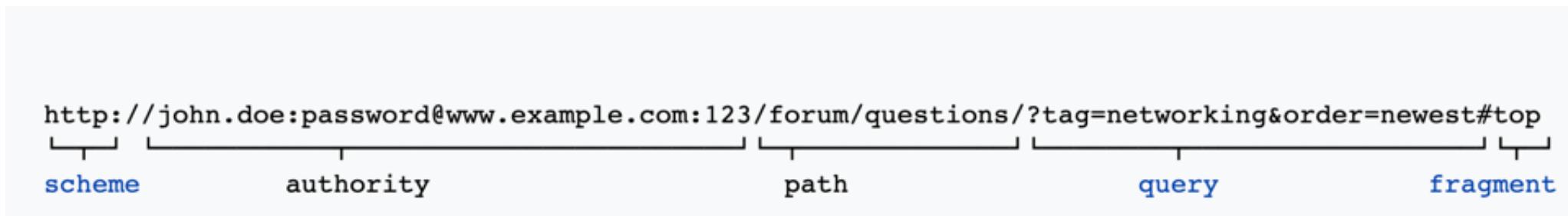
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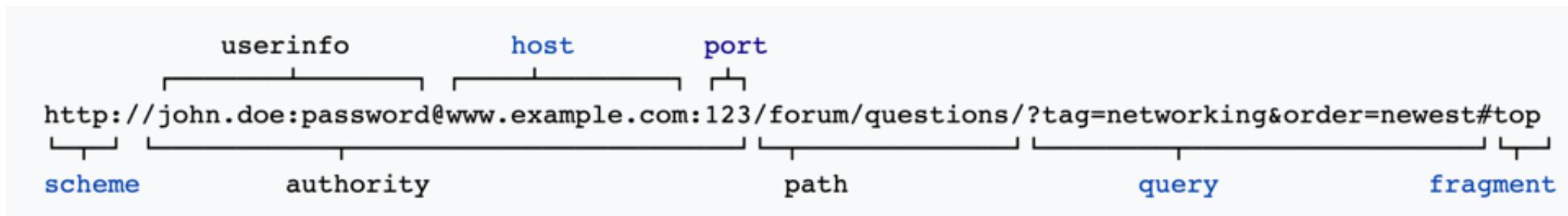
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Webserver

**A webserver must always be up
and running ready to provide
information**



Webclient

- A webclient **consumes services exposed by webserver**
- A webclient **starts the communication by indicating host:port**



What is a Web Service?



The W3C (World Wide Web Consortium) defines a web service as *a software system designed to support interoperable machine-to-machine interaction over a network.*



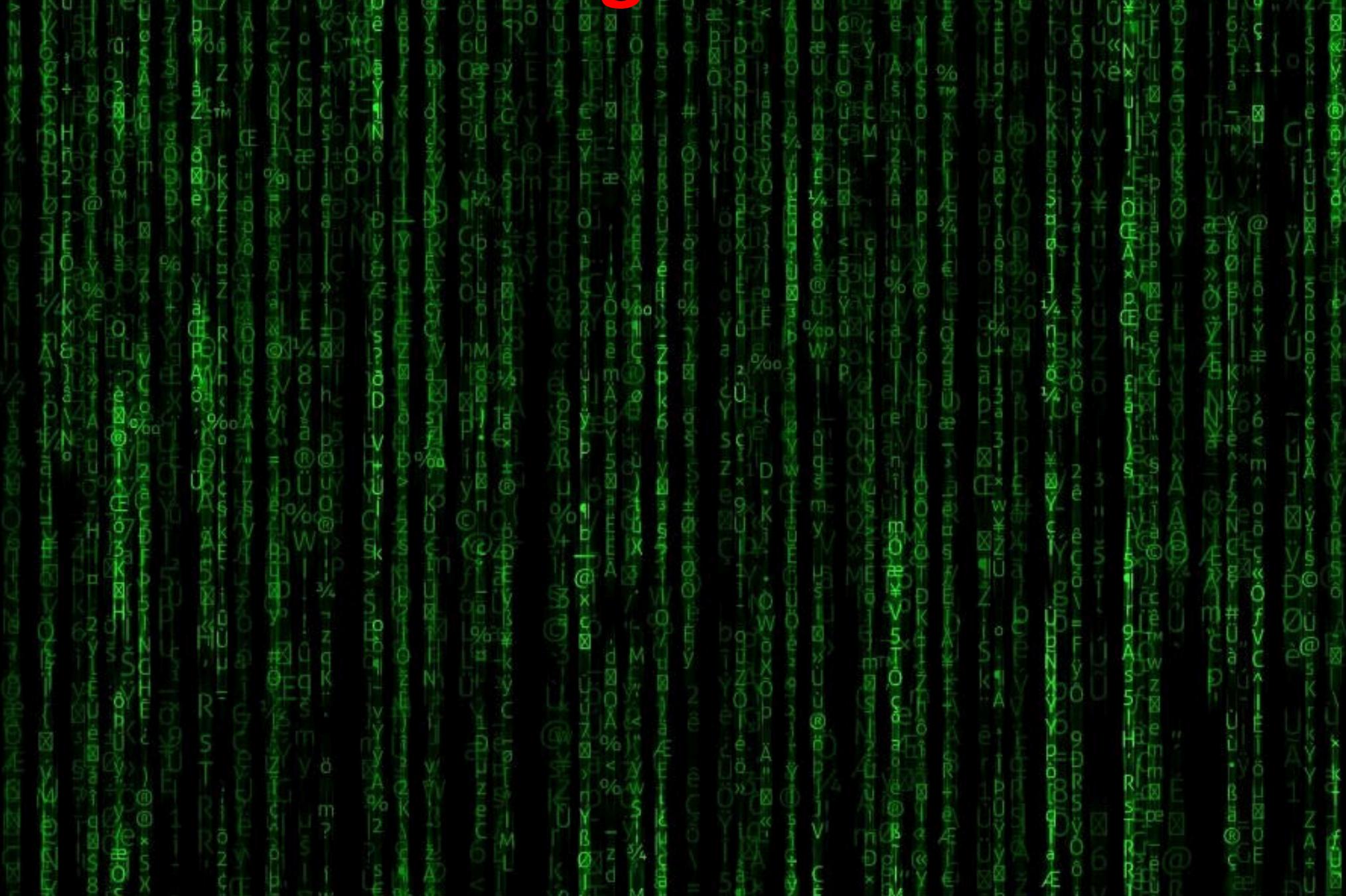
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A web service is a **service** offered by an electronic device to another electronic device **communicating with each other via the World Wide Web.**

Web technology such as **HTTP is used for machine-to-machine communication**, transferring machine-readable file formats such as JSON and XML.

Let's start coding...





Why CherryPy?



CherryPy is a pythonic, object-oriented web framework.

CherryPy allows developers to build web applications in much the same way they would build any other object-oriented Python program. This results in smaller source code developed in less time.



First web application

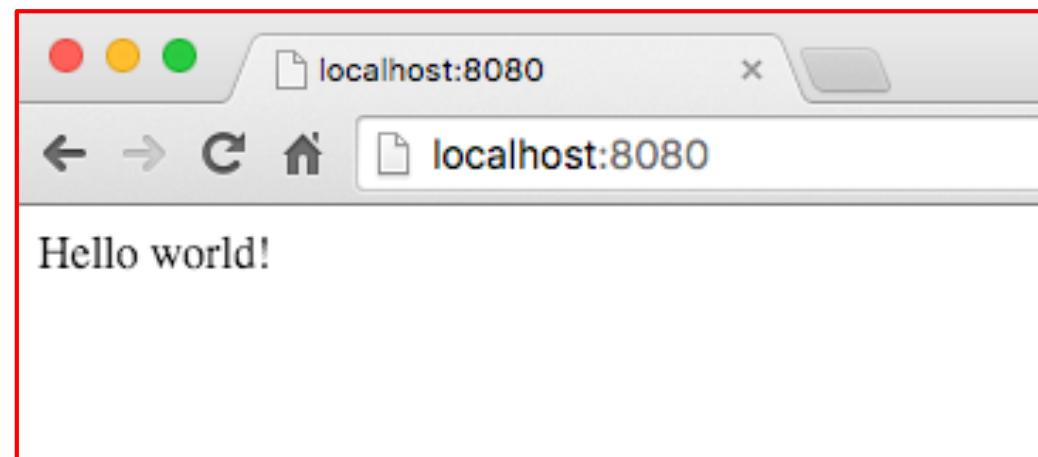


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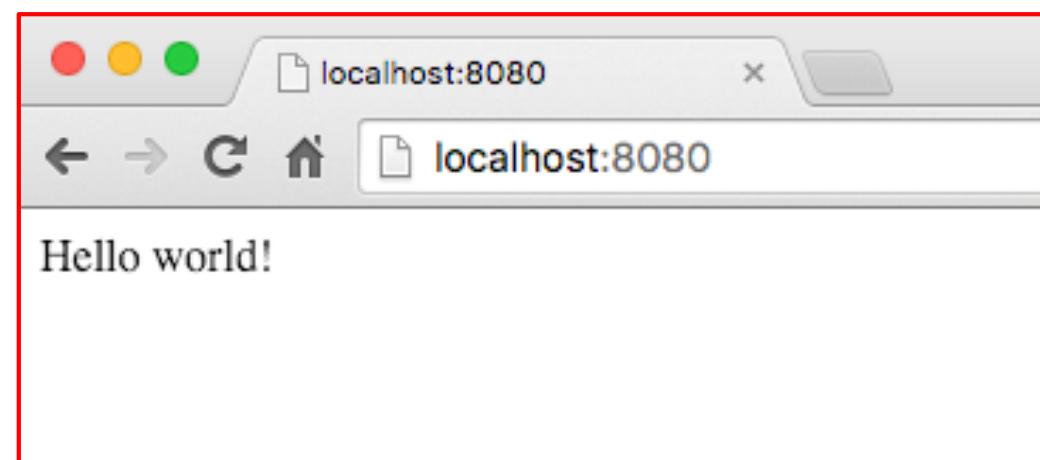
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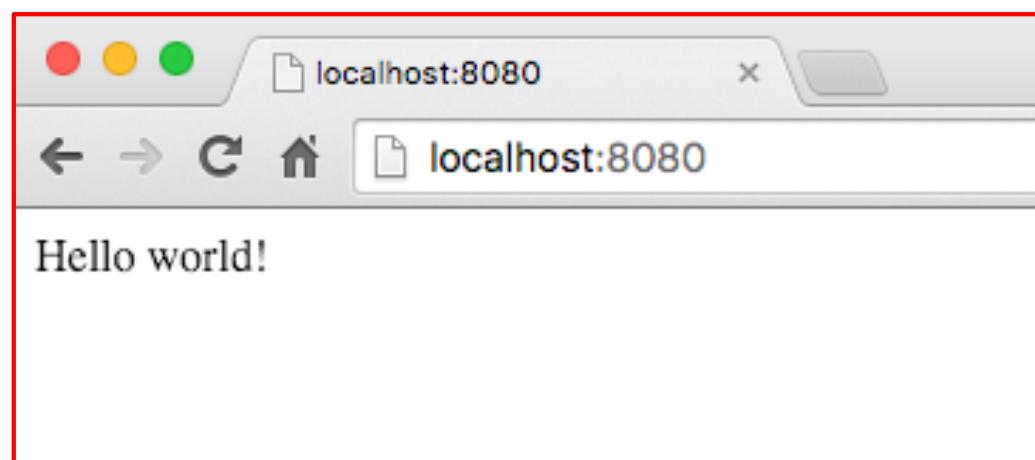
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Deploy the
HelloWorld class and
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Indicating the server that will handle **signals** for you

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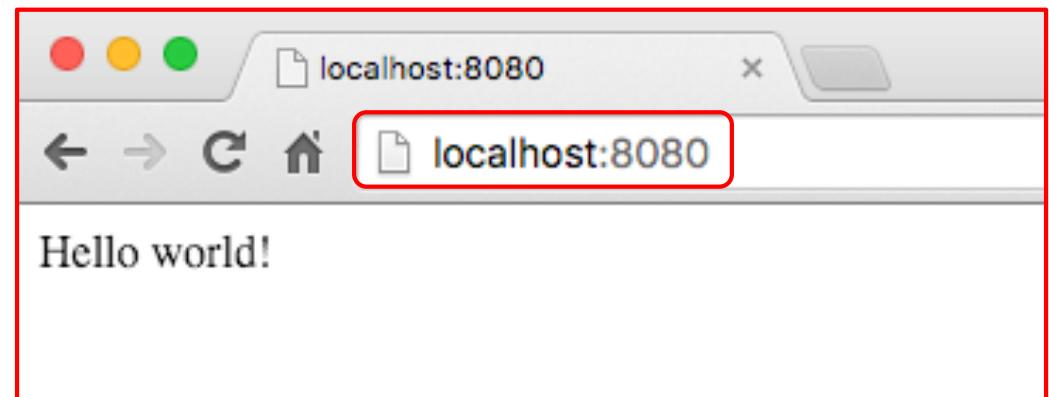
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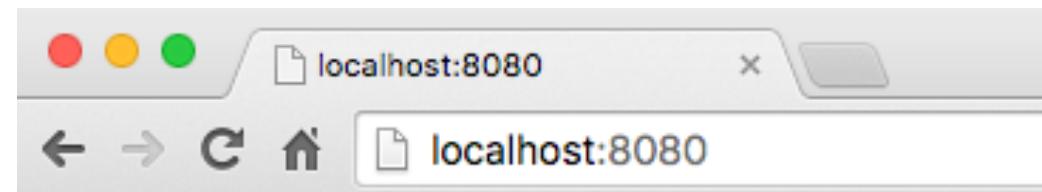
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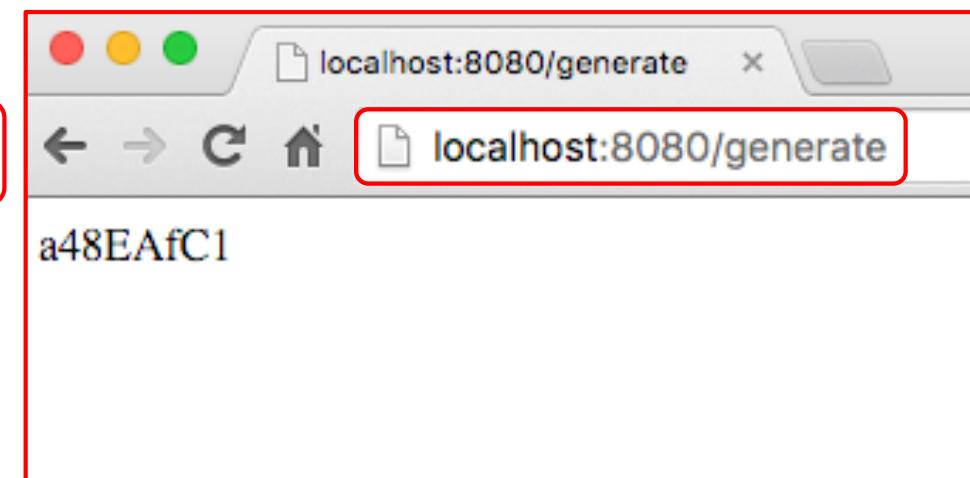
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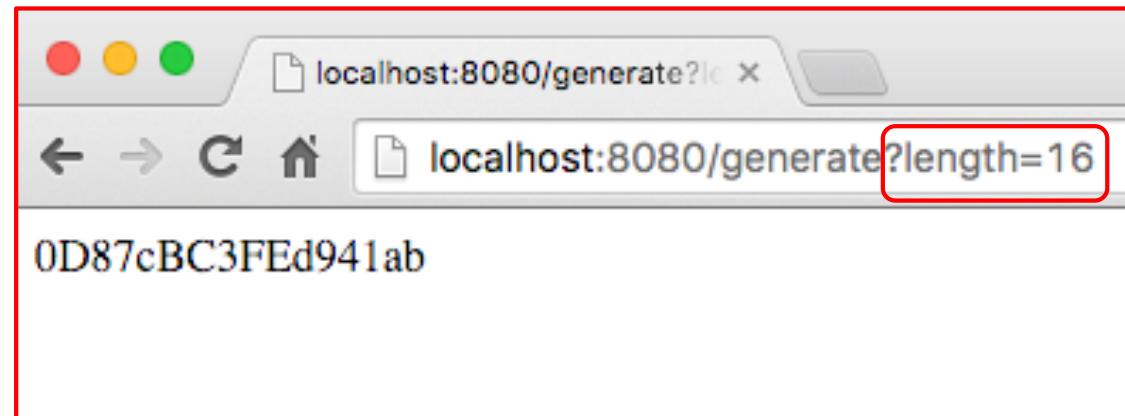
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In a URL, the section after **?** is called a query-string. **?** is unique for the whole URL

The query-string is used to contextualize the URL by passing a set of (key, value) pairs.

- The format is **key=value**.
- Each pair separated by a **&** character.



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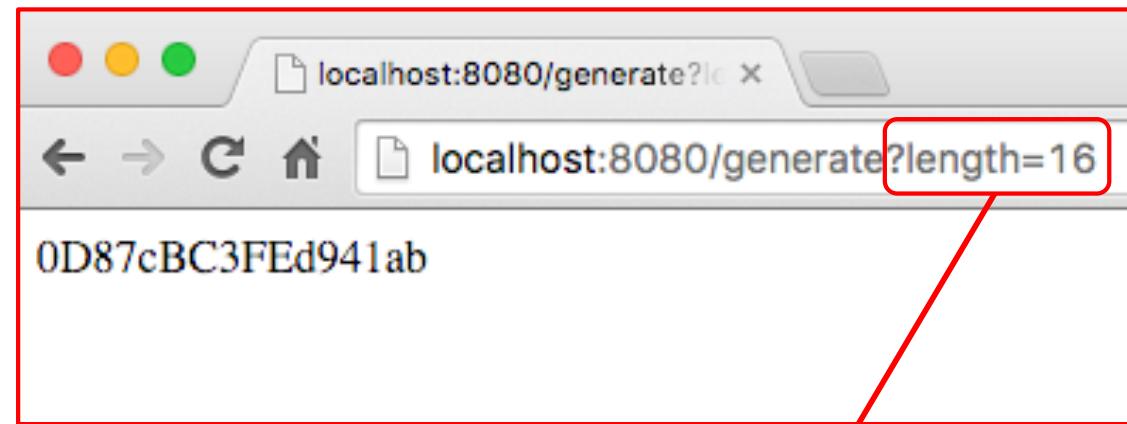
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values are sent out from the client to our server as strings. In that case, the conversion to integer is needed



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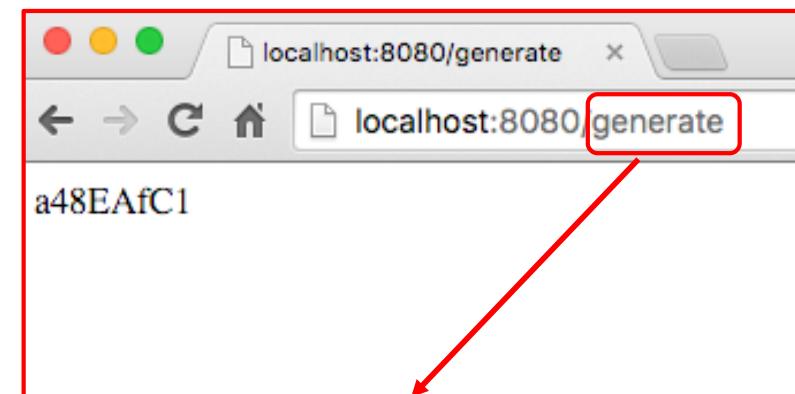
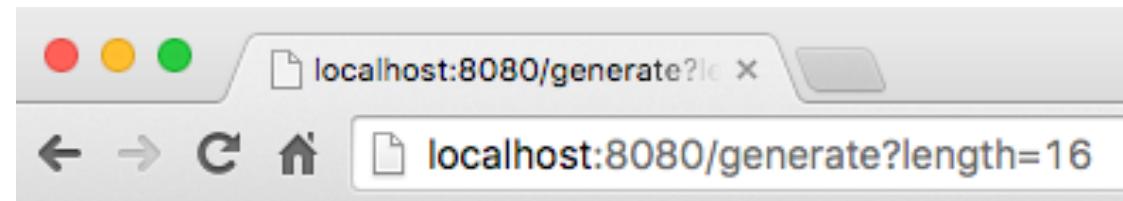
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If **length** is not given, default argument values will support the URL. Hence <http://localhost:8080/generate> still works.



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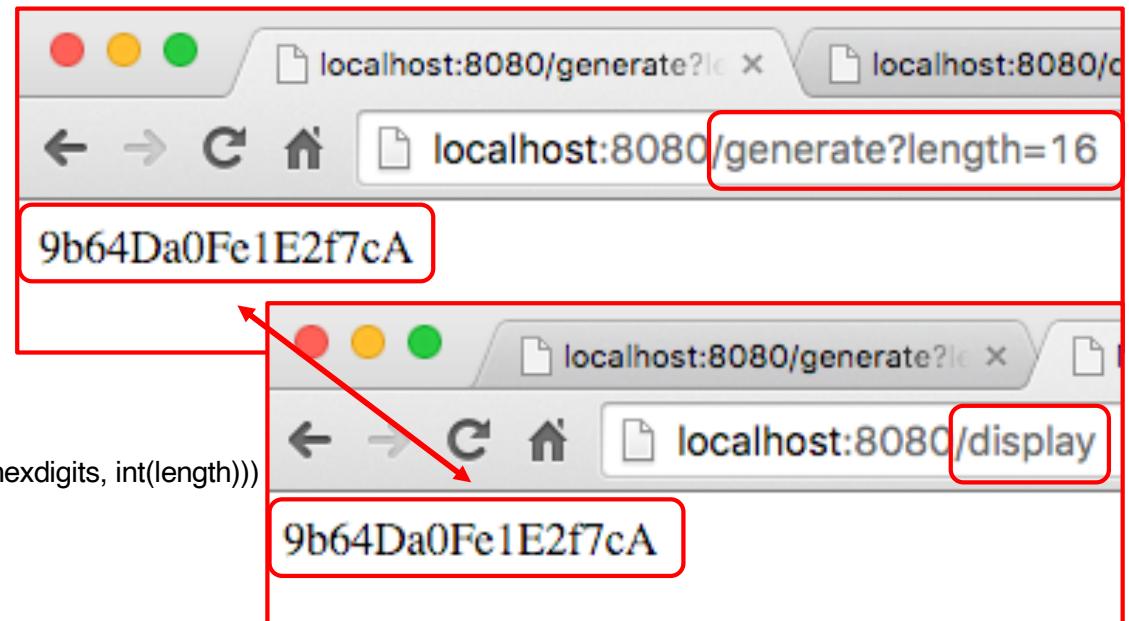
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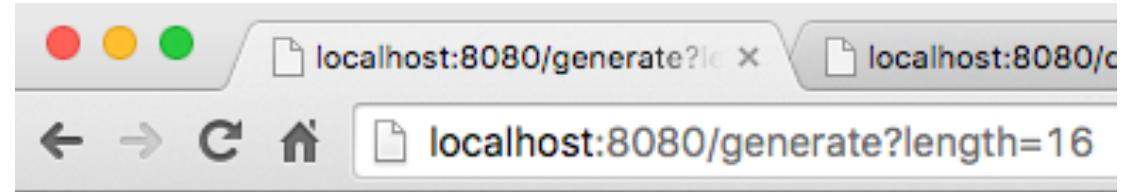
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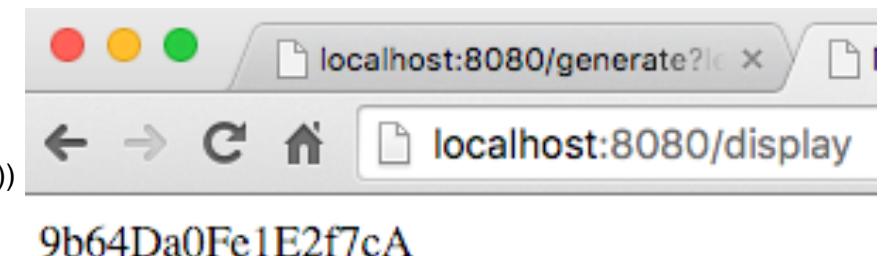
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Enable the
session support
in the application



Providing static resources



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if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
            'tools.staticdir.root': os.path.abspath(os.getcwd())
        },
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Then we indicate that all URLs which path segment starts with */static* will be served as static content. We map that URL to the *public* directory, a direct child of the *root* directory. The entire sub-tree of the *public* directory will be served as static content. CherryPy will map URLs to path within that directory. This is why */static/css/style.css* is found in *public/css/style.css* (in the local Hard Disk).

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Let's REST...





REST Web Services

Representational state transfer (REST) or RESTful web services is a way of providing interoperability between computer systems on the Internet following a Client-server approach

REST-compliant Web services allow requesting systems to access and manipulate textual representations of Web resources using a uniform and predefined set of stateless operations.



REST – Methods

- **HTTP Methods are a key corner stone in REST**
- They define the actions to be taken with a URL
- Proper **RESTful** webservices **expose all CRUD methods** (Create, Read, Update, Delete)

HTTP	REST - CRUD
POST	Create
GET	Read
PUT	Update or Modify or Replace
DELETE	Delete



Dealing with REST



Example of a web API following REST principles

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        some_string = ''.join(random.sample(string.hexdigits, int(params['length'])))
        cherrypy.session['mystring'] = some_string
        return some_string

    def PUT(self, *uri, **params):
        cherrypy.session['mystring'] = params['another_string']

    def DELETE(self):
        cherrypy.session.pop('mystring', None)
```

We will work with REST
USE THIS APPROACH

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount(StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```



RESTful-style (paths)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage the **paths**

```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

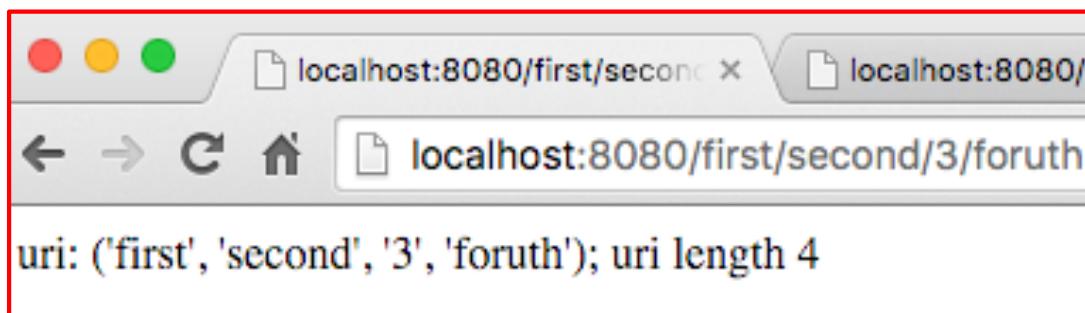
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, * uri):
        # "uri" can be managed as an array
        return ("uri: %s; uri length %s" % (str (uri), len(uri)))
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
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        }
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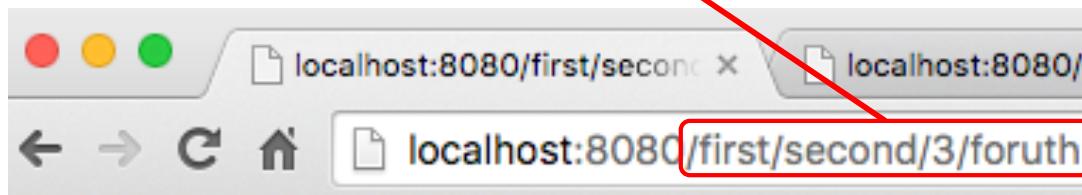
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    exposed = True

    def GET (self,*uri):
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        return ("uri: %s; uri length %s" % (str (uri), len(uri)))
```

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cherrypy.engine.block()
```



uri: ('first', 'second', '3', 'foruth'); uri length 4



RESTful-style (parameters)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage **parameters** in the **URL**

```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, ** params):
        # "params" can be managed as a dictionary
        return ("Params: %s; params length %s"
                % (str (params), len(params)))
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows "localhost:8080/?first=1&second=2&third=string". The page content area displays the output of the Python code: "Params: {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}; params length 3".



RESTful-style (parameters)



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```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self,**params):
        # "params" can be managed as a dictionary
        return ("Params: %s; params length %s"
                % (str (params), len(params)))
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
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            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
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```



params: {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}; params length 3



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```
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cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```



```
params: {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}; params length 3
```

In a URL, the section after **?** is called a query-string. **?** is unique for the whole URL

The query-string is used to contextualize the URL by passing a set of (key, value) pairs.

- The format is **key=value**.
- Each pair being separated by a **&** character.



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage **parameters** in the **URL**

```
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import string
import cherrypy

class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, *uri, ** params):
        return ("URI: %s; Parameters %s" % (str (uri), str(params)))
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows "localhost:8080/my/uri?first=1&second=2&third=string". The page content area displays the response: "URI: ('my', 'uri'); Parameters {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}". The entire browser window is enclosed in a red border.



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage **parameters** in the **URL**

```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

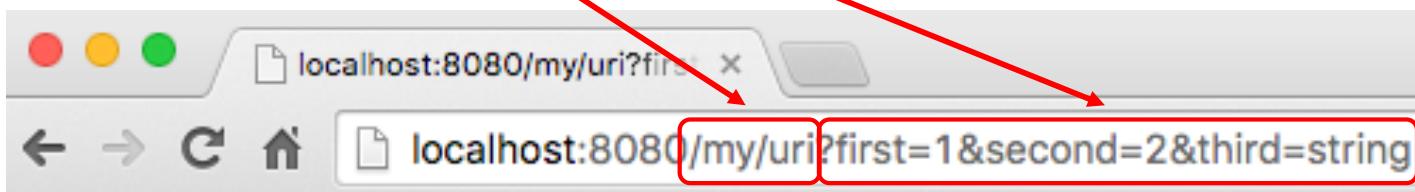
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, *uri, ** params):
        return ("URI: %s; Parameters %s" % (str (uri), str(params)))
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
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        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

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cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```



URI: ('my', 'uri'); Parameters {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



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import random
import string
import cherrypy

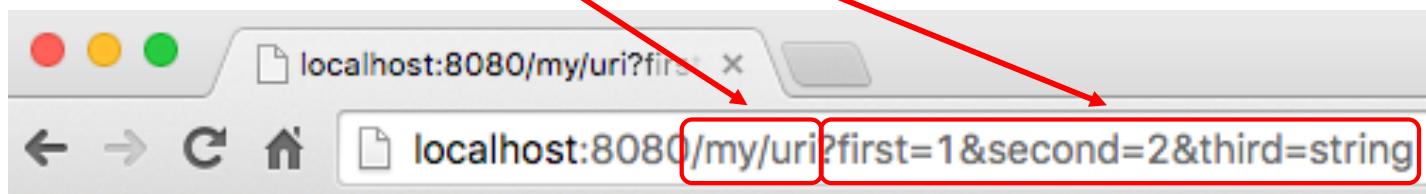
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, *uri, ** params):
        return ("URI: %s; Parameters %s" % (str (uri), str(params)))
```

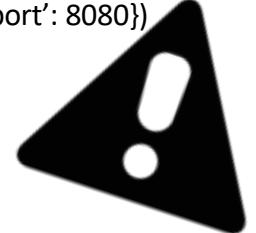
```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

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cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```



URI: ('my', 'uri'); Parameters {'second': u'2', 'third': u'string', 'first': u'1'}



**Parameters
always end
the URL**



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage **parameters** in the **URL**

This is valid also for **POST**, **PUT** and **DELETE** methods.

```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        return something

    def POST (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        mystring = "POST RESPONSE: "
        my_string += cherrypy.request.body.read()
        return my_string

    def PUT (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        mystring = "PUT RESPONSE: "
        my_string += cherrypy.request.body.read()

    def DELETE (self *uri, ** params):
        # do something
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)
```

```
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})
```

```
cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



Cherrypy is able to read and manage **parameters** in the **URL**

This is valid also for **POST**, **PUT** and **DELETE** methods.

```
import random
import string
import cherrypy

class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True

    def GET (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        return something

    def POST (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        mystring = "POST RESPONSE: "
        my_string += cherrypy.request.body.read()
        return my_string

    def PUT (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
        mystring = "PUT RESPONSE: "
        my_string += cherrypy.request.body.read()

    def DELETE (self, *uri, ** params):
        # do something
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})
```

```
cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

Read the content
sent in the
POST/PUT body



RESTful-style (paths and parameters)



SUGGESTION: Use **Postman**, a chrome plugin, for testing REST web services by managing HTTP requests

The screenshot shows the Postman interface with the following annotations:

- A red box highlights the URL input field containing "http://localhost:8080/" and the method dropdown set to "POST". A red arrow points from this area to the text "Calling the POST method".
- A red box highlights the message body input field containing "1 this is my body". A red arrow points from this area to the text "Message sent in the BODY".
- A red box highlights the response body area containing "POST RESPONSE: this is my body". A red arrow points from this area to the text "POST response".

The Postman interface includes standard buttons like "Send", "Preview", "Add to collection", and "Reset". Below the main request area, there are tabs for "Body", "Cookies (1)", "Headers (5)", "STATUS 200 OK", and "TIME 13 ms". At the bottom, there are "Pretty", "Raw", and "Preview" buttons.



Hosting single application



To host a single application the easy way is to use **cherrypy.tree.mount()** function.
It takes at least an argument, the instance of the application to host. Use it together
with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService())
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```

cherrypy.tree.mount() with 1
parameters.

The application will be available
at <http://hostname:port/>



Hosting single application



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It takes at least an argument, the instance of the application to host. Use it together
with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

Two other settings are optional:

1. the base path at which the application will be accessible from;

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount(StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string')

cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

cherrypy.tree.mount() with 2 parameters.

The application will be available
at <http://hostname:port/string>



Hosting single application



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It takes at least an argument, the instance of the application to host. Use it together
with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

Two other settings are optional:

1. the base path at which the application will be accessible from;
2. the dictionary to configure the application.

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount(StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)

cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

cherrypy.tree.mount() with 3
parameters.

The application will be available
at <http://hostname:port/string>.

“**conf**” provides specific settings
for the application



Hosting multiple applications



cherrypy.tree.mount() is used also to host multiple applications. Use it together with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

class OtherWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

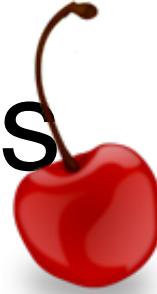
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)
    cherrypy.tree.mount (OtherWebService(), '/other', conf)

    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```



Hosting multiple applications



`cherrypy.tree.mount()` is used also to host multiple applications. Use it together with `cherrypy.engine.start()` and `cherrypy.engine.block()`

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

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    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)
    cherrypy.tree.mount (OtherWebService(), '/other', conf)

    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```

Hosting two applications



Hosting multiple applications



cherrypy.tree.mount() is used also to host multiple applications. Use it together with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
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        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

class OtherWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
            'tools.sessions.on': True,
        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)
    cherrypy.tree.mount (OtherWebService(), '/other', conf)

    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```

Hosting two applications

http://hostname:port/string

http://hostname:port/other



Hosting multiple applications



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```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
        ...
    def DELETE (self):
        ...

class OtherWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        ...
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        ...
    def PUT (self, another_string):
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if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
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    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```

Can be the same or two different
“configuration” dictionaries



Cherrypy basic settings



cherrypy.tree.mount() is used also to host multiple applications. Use it together with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
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        ...
    def POST (self, length=8):
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class OtherWebService(object):
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if __name__ == '__main__':
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    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})

    cherrypy.engine.start()
    cherrypy.engine.block()
```

To make the webservice
reachable from other machines
(by default cherrypy allows only
connections from the localhost)



Cherrypy basic settings



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```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
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        ...
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        ...
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    def GET (self):
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    def PUT (self, another_string):
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    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 8080})
```

```
cherrypy.engine.start()
cherrypy.engine.block()
```

To change the default cherrypy port (8080) with another of your choice between 1025 e 65534.



Cherrypy basic settings



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```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
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    conf = {
        '/': {
            'request.dispatch': cherrypy.dispatch.MethodDispatcher(),
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        }
    }
    cherrypy.tree.mount (StringGeneratorWebService(), '/string', conf)
    cherrypy.tree.mount (OtherWebService(), '/other', conf)

    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_host': '0.0.0.0'})
    cherrypy.config.update({'server.socket_port': 9090})
```

```
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To change the default cherrypy port (8080) with another of your choice between 1025 e 65534.



Cherrypy basic settings



cherrypy.tree.mount() is used also to host multiple applications. Use it together with **cherrypy.engine.start()** and **cherrypy.engine.block()**

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        ...
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        ...
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    def GET (self):
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    def POST (self, length=8):
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if __name__ == '__main__':
    conf = {
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To start cherrypy engine

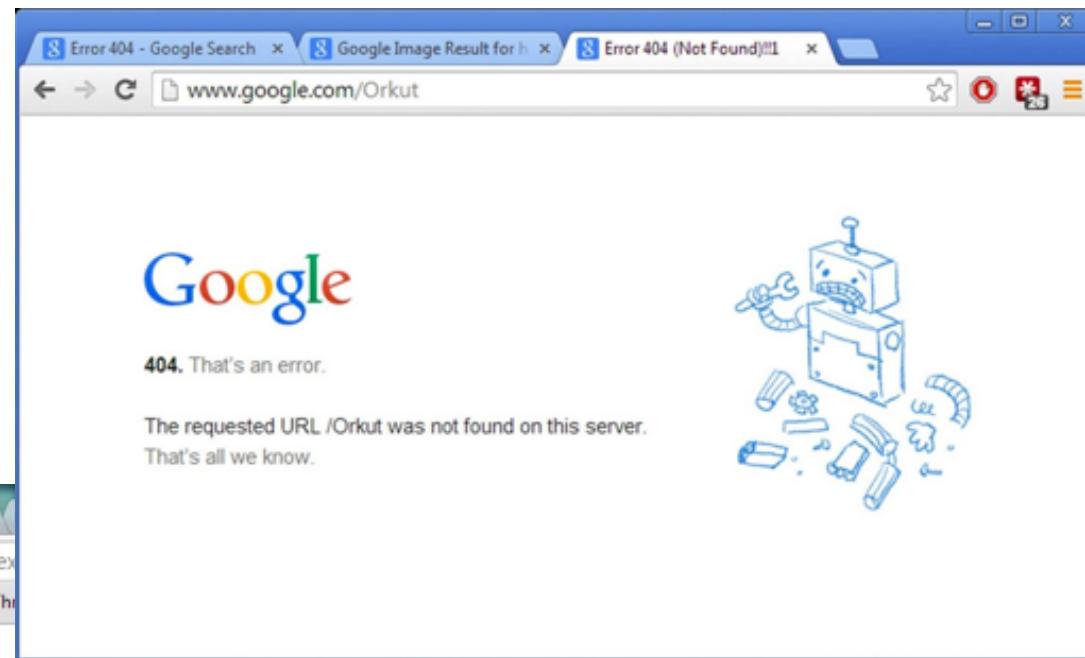
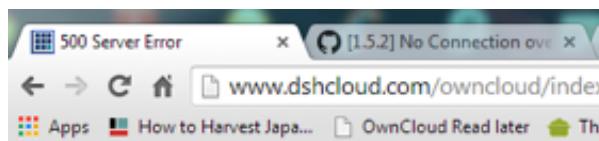


HTTP status codes



HTTP provides status codes for defining the outcome of the communication. They are organized in five classes:

- **1xx** – Informational
- **2xx** – Successful
- **3xx** – Redirection
- **4xx** – Client Error
- **5xx** – Server Error



500 Server Error

A misconfiguration on the server caused a hiccup. Check the server logs, fix the problem, then try again.

URL: <http://www.dshcloud.com/owncloud/index.php/settings/admin>



HTTP status codes: 2xx – Sucessful



This class indicates that the client's request was successfully received, understood, and accepted.

Code	Name	Description
200	OK	The request has succeeded.
201	Created	The request has been fulfilled and resulted in a new resource being created.
202	Accepted	The request has been accepted for processing, but the processing has not been completed.
...



HTTP status codes: 4xx – Client Error



This class is intended for cases in which the client seems to have erred. The server SHOULD include an entity containing an explanation of the error situation, and whether it is a temporary or permanent condition.

Code	Name	Description
400	Bad Request	The request could not be understood by the server due to malformed syntax.
401	Unauthorized	The request requires user authentication.
403	Forbidden	The server understood the request, but is refusing to fulfill it.
404	Not Found	The server has not found anything matching the Request-URI.
...



HTTP status codes: 5xx – Server Error



This class indicates cases in which the server is aware that it has erred or is incapable of performing the request. The server SHOULD include an entity containing an explanation of the error situation, and whether it is a temporary or permanent condition.

Code	Name	Description
500	Internal Server Error	The server encountered an unexpected condition which prevented it from fulfilling the request.
501	Not Implemented	The server does not support the functionality required to fulfill the request. This is the appropriate response when the server does not recognize the request method and is not capable of supporting it for any resource.
503	Service Unavailable	The server is currently unable to handle the request due to a temporary overloading or maintenance of the server.
...



Raising HTTP Status codes



Use `raise cherrypy.HTTPError()` to manage an HTTP status codes

```
class StringGeneratorWebService(object):
    exposed = True
    def GET (self):
        if (len(uri) > 0 and uri[0] == "ciao"):
            return ("URI: %s; Parameters %s" % (str (uri), str(params)))
        else:
            raise cherrypy.HTTPError(404, "Error message")
    def POST (self, length=8):
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Raising HTTP 404 Error

- The first parameter is the HTTP status code given as integer
- The second optional parameter is a string with your error message



Reference



- <http://docs.cherrypy.org/en/latest/>
- <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec10.html>