

1 Overview

The fastcgi library is a small library providing bigloo with partial support for the fastcgi protocol. Although the fastcgi protocol supports a number of application types (responder, authorizer, filter), the bigloo fastcgi library only supports the most common application type, responder. The responder application type provides a similar, but more efficient, application model to CGI/1.1. Support for the authorizer and filter application types may be added later.

The rest of this document will describes the bigloo fastcgi application programming interface.

2 API Reference

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2.1 fastcgi-for-each

The most important procedure provided by the bigloo fastcgi library is the 'fast-for-each' function. It provides the means by which a handler for fastcgi requests are established.

${\tt fastcgi-for-each}\ proc$

[Function]

fastcgi-for-each accepts a single argument, the procedure to handle incoming fastcgi requests. In normal operation this method will not return. It waits in a loop for fastcgi requests and upon receiving a request dispatches them to proc. proc must be a procedure that accepts a single fastcgi-request argument and produces a fastcgi response.

2.2 fastcgi-request

The fastcgi-request class reifies a fastcgi request. It allows access to the request information as well as the means to form a fastcgi response.

input

[Instance Variable of fastcgi-request]

The input field is an input port providing access to the input data, if any, provided with the fastcgi request.

output

[Instance Variable of fastcgi-request]

The output field is an output port. Data pushed to output is used to form the response to a fastcgi request.

error

[Instance Variable of fastcgi-request]

The error field is an output port. Data pushed to output is used to report errors to the application (usually a web server) calling the fastegi application.

getenv request name

[Method on fastcgi-request]

The getenv method retrieves the environment variable, name, from the request object. If name is not found, getenv returns #f.

get-param request name

[Method on fastcgi-request]

The get-param method retrieves the GET or POST parameter, name. If name is not found, get-param returns #f.

get-part request name

[Method on fastcgi-request]

The get-part method retrieves the part, name. If name is not found, get-part returns #f.

finish request

[Method on fastcgi-request]

The finish method finalizes the response to a fastcgi-request.

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