

Java Fundamentals: HttpClient

INTRODUCING HTTPCLIENT

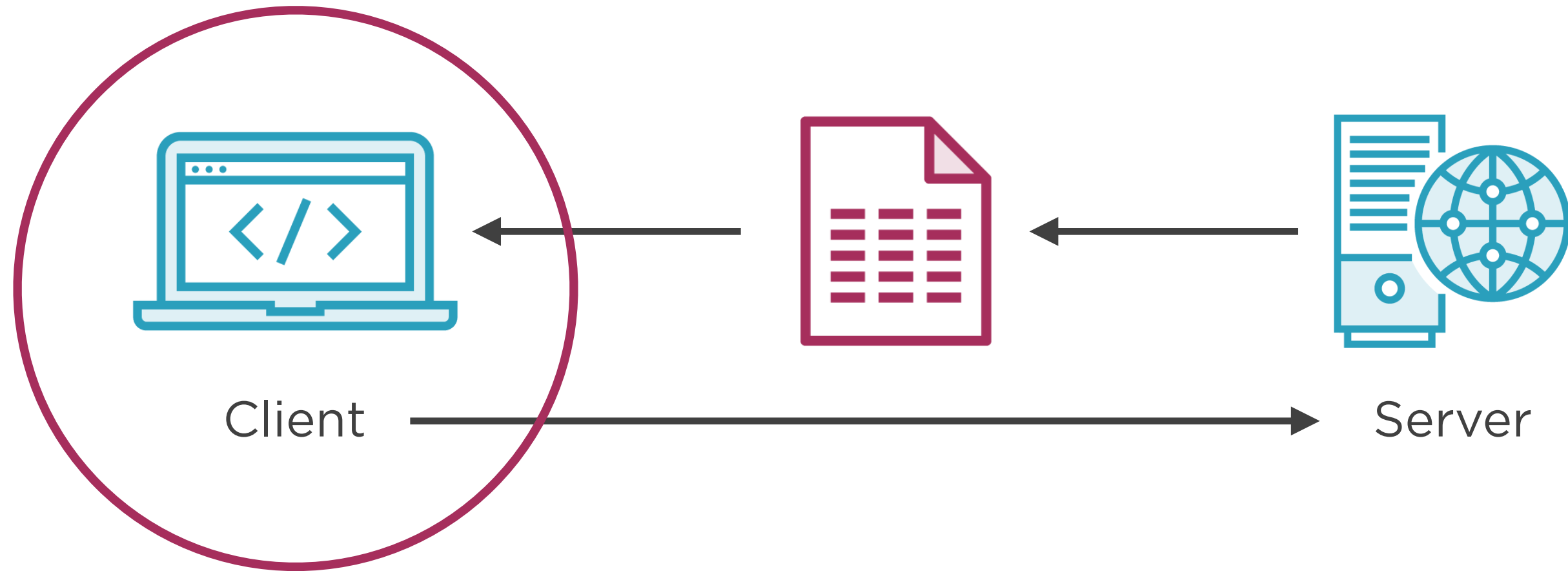


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Java and HTTP



Course Overview

Introducing
HttpClient

Performing Your
First HTTP
Requests

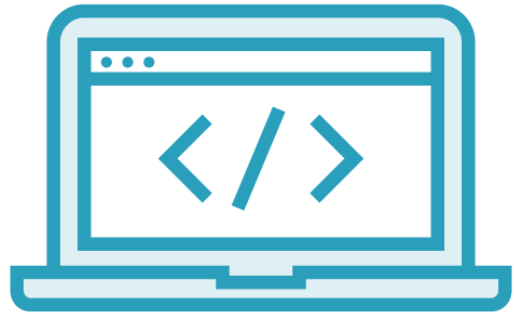
Using HttpClient

Security

Exploring
Advanced
HttpClient
Features

HttpClient

Introduced in Java 11



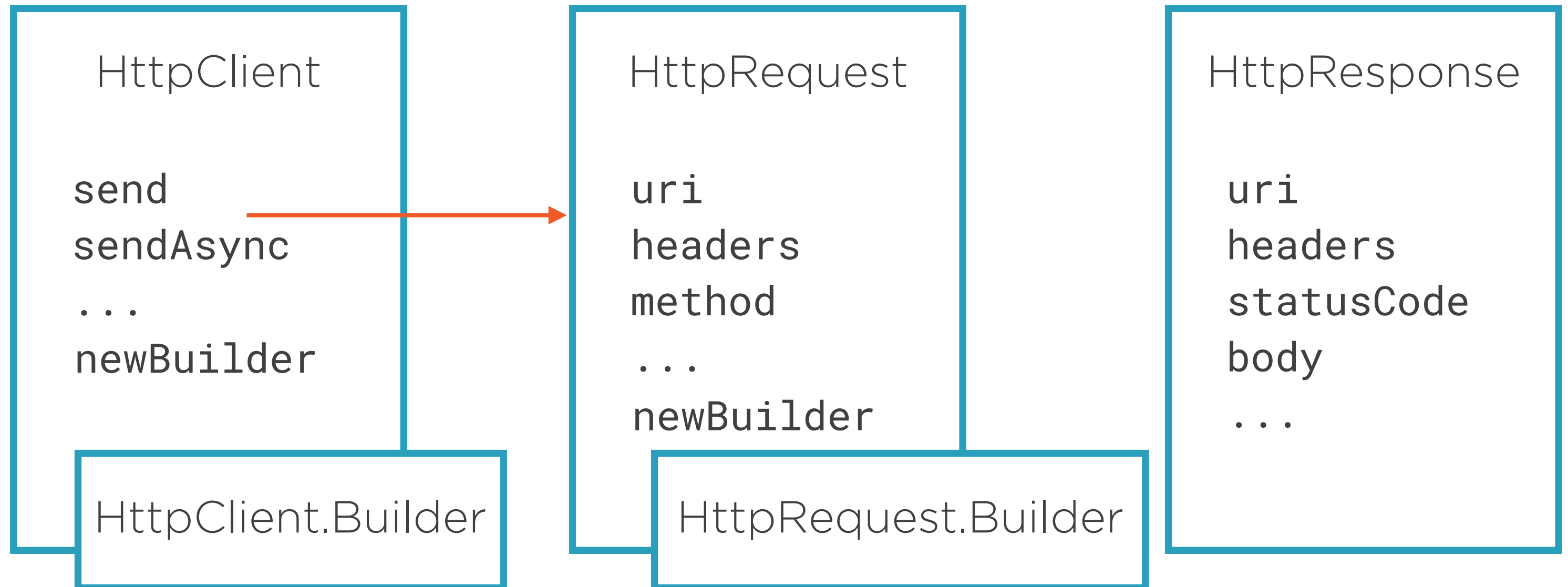
Replaces HttpURLConnection API

Supports HTTP/2, WebSocket

Sync & async methods

Goal: easy to use in common cases,
powerful enough for complex ones

HttpClient: Important Types



`java.net.http`

HttpClient: Quick Example

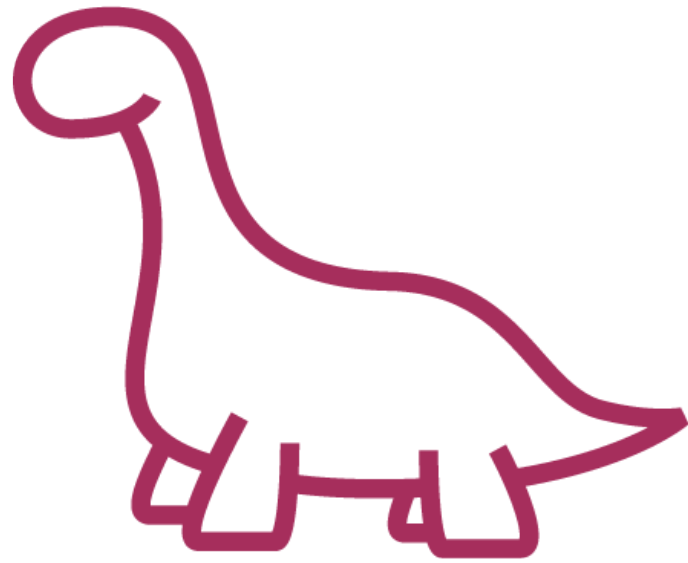
```
HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();

HttpRequest request =
    HttpRequest.newBuilder(URI.create("https://pluralsight.com"))
        .build();

HttpResponse<String> response =
    client.send(request, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString());
```



What's Wrong with HttpURLConnection?



It's old!

Designed around HTTP/1.1 timeframe

Before:

Generics, Enums, Lambdas

What's Wrong with HttpURLConnection?

```
try {  
    URL url = new URL("https://pluralsight.com");  
    HttpURLConnection con = (HttpURLConnection) url.openConnection();  
    con.setRequestMethod("GET");  
    con.setRequestProperty("User-Agent", "Java 1.1");  
    if(con.getResponseCode() == 200) {  
        System.out.println(readInputStream(con.getInputStream())); }  
    else {  
        System.out.println("Something wrong there!"); }  
} catch (IOException e) {  
    System.out.println("Something wrong here!");  
}
```

awkward cast

no enums

low-level

Before Java 11



Nobody should use `URLConnection` in new code

Apache
`HttpComponents`

Square's
`OkHttp`

JAX-RS
REST Client