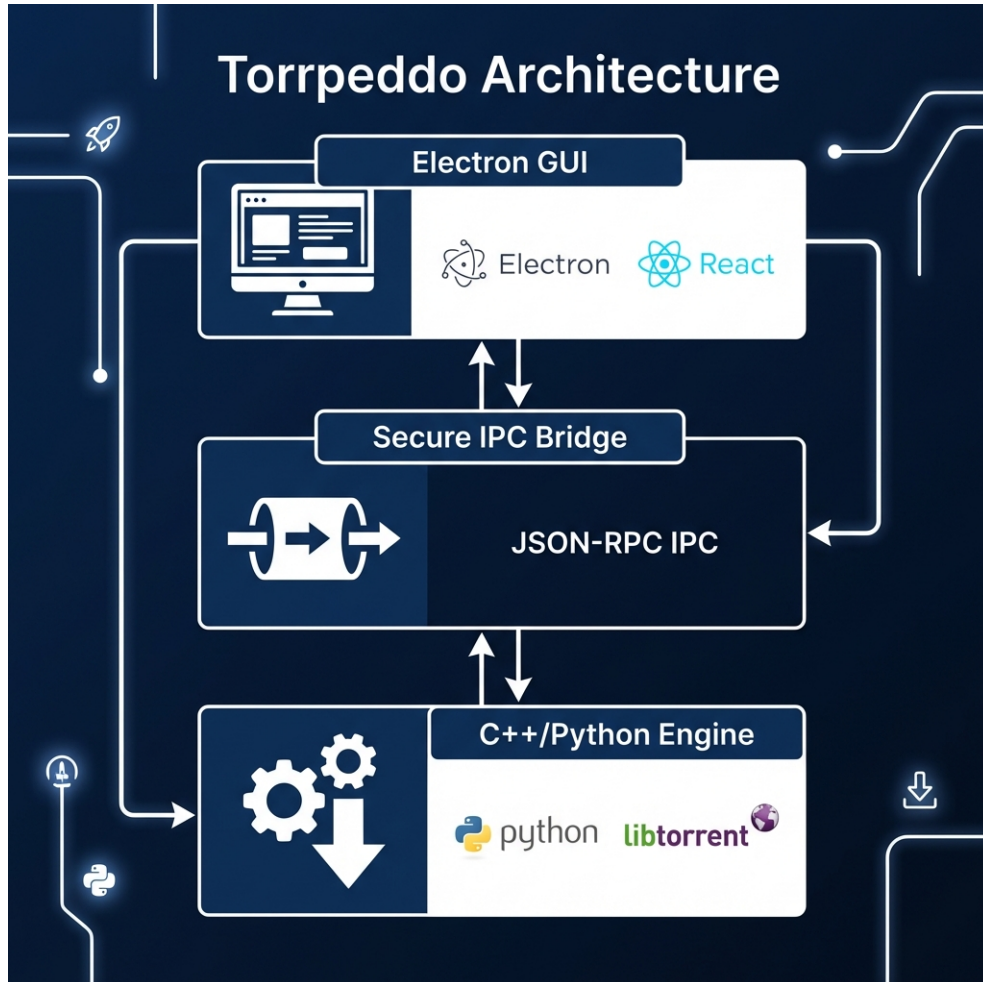


# TORRPEDDO PROJECT BOOK



## Executive Summary

Torpeddo is an industrial-grade, premium torrent client designed for the modern desktop. Built primarily with Python and the Electron framework, Torpeddo leverages the powerful libtorrent suite to offer a seamless, high-performance experience that bridges the gap between complex network protocols and professional user interfaces.

## Architectural Deep Dive

Torpeddo follows a decoupled architectural pattern, separating the

presentation layer from the core logic and network engine. This is achieved through three primary layers:

## **1. Frontend: Electron Framework**

### **Overview: What is Electron?**

Electron is an open-source framework developed by GitHub that allows developers to build cross-platform desktop applications using web technologies: HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. It combines the Chromium rendering engine (for the UI) and the Node.js runtime (for system-level access).

### **Benefits for Torrpeldo**

- Visual Excellence: Leveraging the full power of modern CSS and web components to create a "WOW" factor UI that feels premium.
- Cross-Platform Compatibility: A single codebase provides a consistent experience across Linux, Windows, and macOS.
- Native Experience: Provides access to native OS features like file dialogs, tray notifications, and filesystem integration.

## **2. The Bridge: IPC (Inter-Process Communication)**

### **Concept: What is IPC?**

IPC, or Inter-Process Communication, is a mechanism that allows different processes to share data and coordinate actions. In Torrpeldo, we use a custom IPC bridge to connect the Electron frontend with the Python backend.

### **Implementation: Secure JSON-RPC**

Communication is handled via a JSON-RPC protocol over stdin/stdout channels.

- The Electron process spawns a dedicated Python child process.
- Commands (e.g., `add_magnet`, `get_status`) are serialized into JSON strings and sent to the Python process.
- The Python process executes the logic and returns a structured JSON response.

### **Advantages of the IPC Bridge**

- Decoupling: The engine can be updated, debugged, or even replaced

without touching the UI.

- Security: The backend is isolated from the UI for security isolation.

### 3. Backend Engine: Python & libtorrent

#### The Core: libtorrent with Python Bindings

At the heart of Torpeddo is libtorrent, a feature-complete BitTorrent implementation. While the underlying engine is implemented in high-performance C++, Torpeddo utilizes the official Python bindings for rapid development and seamless integration with the bridge logic.

#### Multi-threaded Performance

- Engine Level: The libtorrent 2.0+ engine utilizes an internal thread pool for disk I/O, network polling, and piece validation. This allows for parallel processing of multiple torrent fragments simultaneously.

- Manager Level: The manager handles non-blocking tasks, preventing the UI from stalling while metadata is being processed.

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## Management & Operations

Torpeddo provides robust tools for managing the lifecycle of downloads and maintaining disk health.

### 1. Torrent Cancellation

Users can stop an active download at any time by clicking the "Cancel" button. This operation:

- Safely removes the torrent from the active `libtorrent` session.
- Stops all network and disk I/O associated with the task.
- Transitions the torrent to a "Cancelled" state in the UI for further action.

## 2. Disk Cleanup & File Deletion

For cancelled torrents, Torrpedito offers a dedicated "Delete Files" operation. - Target Removal: Deletes the specific files or directories associated with the cancelled torrent. - State Sync: Once files are deleted, the torrent entry is removed from the session tracking, keeping the UI clean.

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## Development Process & Methodology

The Torrpedito project followed a "Platform-First" methodology:

### Phase 1: Language Choice

Python was selected for its extensive library support and ease of integration with libtorrent and IPC protocols.

### Phase 2: Engine Validation

Rigorous testing of libtorrent benchmarks to ensure maximum throughput on varied hardware.

### Phase 3: Bridge Optimization

Implementation of non-blocking I/O in the IPC bridge to prevent UI "micro-stutters".

### Phase 4: Packaging & Distribution

Integration of electron-builder and PyInstaller to create unified, single-binary distributors for end-users.

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