httpsuite

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QUICKSTART

1.1 Installing

To get started with `httpsuite`, install the latest stable release from PyPi:

```
pip install httpsuite
```

1.2 Getting Started

There are two principal abstractions to be aware of it in `httpsuite`, `Request` and `Response`.

```
from httpsuite import Request, Response
```

These classes represent an HTTP/1.x request and response message, and offer a high-level API to *modify*, *compile*, and *parse* them. The `Request` and `Response` can be initialized via two different methods.

1.2.1 `__init__()`

Create a `Request` or `Response` object with the given parameter.

```
from httpsuite import Request, Response

request = Request(
    method="POST",
    target="/",
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    headers={"User-Agent": "httpsuite", "Content-Length": 12},
    body="Hello world."
)

response = Response(
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    status=200,
    status_msg="OK",
    headers={"User-Agent": "httpsuite", "Content-Length": 8},
    body="Hi back!"
)
```

1.2.2 .parse()

Or, parse from *bytes* to create a new `Request` or `Response` with the given details.

bytes

Most useful when using socket connections.

```
from httpsuite import Request, Response

req = Request.parse(b"GET / HTTP/1.1\r\nUser-Agent: httpsuite\r\nContent-Length: 12\r\
↪n\r\nHello world")
resp = Response.parse(b"HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\nUser-Agent: httpsuite\r\nContent-Length:␣
↪12\r\n\r\nHi back!")
```

1.3 Modify

The next probable step after initializing a `Request` or `Response` object is to *modify* and *compile*. Object modification is done as one would expect.

```
request.method = "POST"
response.status = 300
response.status_msg = b"Continue"
```

Notice that setting object properties is type-agnostic. Properties can be modified to either `int`, `str`, or `bytes` objects. Internally, `httpsuite` automatically converts every property of a `request` or `response` into an `Item`, which is a low-level interface to allow easy setting and comparissons on the fly. Similarly to setting properties, one can be assured of type-agnostic property comparissions.

```
request.status == 300     # True
request.status == "300"   # True
request.status == b"300"  # True
```

1.4 Compile

After modifying a message compilation allows the `Request` and `Response` objects to be compiled into less malu-able yet useful types. Those types being `bytes` or `str`.

```
from httpsuite import Request, Response
import json

body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})
request = Request(
    method="POST",
    target="/post",
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    headers={
        "Host": "httpbin.org",
        "Connection": "close",
        "Content-Length": len(body),
        "Accept": "*/*",
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```
    },
    body=body,
)
```

1.4.1 .raw

Useful to use with sockets.

```
print(request.raw)
```

```
b'POST /post HTTP/1.1\r\nHost: httpbin.org\r\nConnection: close\r\nContent-Length: 18\
↪r\nAccept: */*\r\n\r\n{"hello": "world"}'
```

1.4.2 __str__

Pretty print of the object.

```
print(request)
```

```
→ POST /post HTTP/1.1
→ Host: httpbin.org
→ Connection: close
→ Content-Length: 18
→ Accept: */*
→ {"hello": "world"}
```

1.5 More

If you finished this guide and want to continue learning more you can do so by reading the package's documentation found on the left menu.

CHAPTER

TWO

HTTP

```
from httpsuite.http import Message, Request, Response
```

Classes for parsing, modifying, and re-compiling HTTP messages.

---

class Message(*abc.ABC*)

Abstract class that contains shared methods and properties accessible by both the Request and Response classes.

> **Warning:** This class is not intended to be used by itself. Note that Message is an abstraction that represents the shared properties and methods of both a Request and Response instance. All functions displayed in Message are, therefore, accessible by both the Request and Response classes.

__init__(*protocol*, *headers=None*, *body=None*)

Initializes an HTTP Message.

Parameters

- **protocol** – "<major>.<minor>" numbering scheme to indicate versions of the protocol.
- **headers** – Collection of case-insensitive name followed by a colon (:).
- **body** – Data associated with the message.

Parse

`httpsuite.http.Message.`**parse**(*message*)

Parses the passed `messaged` into a `cls` instance (either a *Request* or *Response* object).

Parameters **message** – The primative or object to convert into a Request or Response object.

Returns An initialized object of class `cls`.

Raises **RequiredAwait** – Attempting to parse asynchronous object without 'await' statement.

Properties

Note: The `httpsuite.http.Message.raw()` function will return the message with proper `\r\n` escape characters. It can be used directly with `sockets` or any low-level communication system that requires properly formatted HTTP messages.

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property string

String representation of the Message.

Returns Message as a string, without any arrows.

property raw
Bytes representation of the Message.

Returns Message as a bytes, without arrows, properly escaped.

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Note: All HTTP properties are saved as an `Item` type. Modification and comparissons can be done on the fly.

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property protocol
Protocol of the message.

property headers
Headers of the message.

property body
Body of the message.

---

class Request(*Message*)

__init__(*method*, *target*, *protocol*, *headers=None*, *body=None*)
Python object representation of an HTTP/1.x request."

Parameters

- **method** – Indicates the desired action on the server's resource.
- **target** – Resource location in the server for which the client is requesting.
- **protocol** – "<major>.<minor>" numbering scheme to indicate versions of the protocol.
- **headers** – Collection of case-insensitive name followed by a colon (:).
- **body** – Data associated with the message.

__str__()
String representation of the Request.

Returns Representation of the Request object with pretty-print (→) arrows.

HTTP

Note: Note that Request is a child object of a Message and therefore has access to *httpsuite.http.Message.headers*, *httpsuite.http.Message.headers*, and *httpsuite.http.Message.body*.

---

property method
Method of the HTTP request.

property target
Target of the HTTP request.

---

class Response(*protocol*, *status*, *status_msg*, *headers=None*, *body=None*)

__init__ (*protocol*, *status*, *status_msg*, *headers=None*, *body=None*)
Python object representation of an HTTP/1.x response.

Parameters

- **protocol** – "<major>.<minor>" numbering scheme to indicate versions of the protocol.
- **status** – Numberical value designating a specific return value.
- **status_msg** – Message related to the status code.
- **headers** – Collection of case-insensitive name followed by a colon (:).
- **body** – Data associated with the message.

__str__ ()
String representation of the Response.

Returns Representation of the Response object with pretty-print (←) arrows.

HTTP

Note: Note that Response is a child object of a Message and therefore has access to *httpsuite.http.Message.headers*, *httpsuite.http.Message.headers*, and *httpsuite.http.Message.body*.

---

property status
Status of the HTTP response.

property status_msg
Status message of the HTTP response.

CHAPTER

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INTERFACE

```
from httpsuite.interface import Item, Headers, TwoWayFrozenDict, FrozenSet
```

Lower-level interfaces that `httpsuite` depedents on.

---

class Headers(*headers=None*)

Interface for HTTP/1.x headers object.

__init__(*headers=None*)

Initializes the Headers object.

Parameters **value** – Dictionary, headers, or None object that represents the headers.

Properties

property string

String representation of the Headers.

Returns String representation of the Headers.

property raw

Bytes representation of the Headers.

Note: This method will return Headers with "rn" escape characters.

Returns Bytes representation of the Headers.

Operations

All of the operations below evaluate to true unless specificed.

`httpsuite.interface.Headers.__add__()`

```
Headers({"hello": "world"}) + {"hey": "you"} == {"hello": "world", "hey": "you
↪"}
```

`httpsuite.interface.Headers.__iadd__()`

```
h = Headers({"hello": "world"})
h += {"hey": "you"}
h == {"hello": "world", "hey": "you"}
```

Setting and getting attributes automatically uses _ as the same as −.

httpsuite.interface.Headers.**__setattr__**()

```
h = Headers({"hello": "world"})
h['hello-world'] = 'ola mundo'
```

httpsuite.interface.Headers.**__getattr__**()

```
h = Headers({"hello": "world"})
h['hello-world'] = 'ola mundo'
h['hello-world'] == h.hello_world
```

httpsuite.interface.Headers.**__str__**()

```
str(Headers({"hello": "world"})) # 'hello: world'
```

httpsuite.interface.Headers.**__repr__**()

```
repr(Headers({"hello": "world"})) # 'Headers(hello: world)'
```

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class TwoWayFrozenDict(*dictionary={}*, ***kwargs*)

A frozen dictionary with two-way capabilities. Locks a dictionary in place after initilization, and provides accessability via key and value.

Note: All the keys and values inside TwoWayFrozenDict are Item objects, which allows easy comparissions to check if an item is inside the TwoWayFrozenDict mapping.

---

class FrozenSet

A frozen set with pretty-print.

CHAPTER

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BASIC USE

4.1 Request

```python
import json

from httpsuite import Request, ENCODE

# 1. Creates the body of the request.
body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})

# 2. Creates an HTTP request.
request = Request(
    method="GET",
    target="/",
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    headers={
        "Host": "www.google.com",
        "Connection": "keep-alive",
        "Content-Length": len(body),
    },
    body=body,
)

# 3. Parses the equivalent request as the above.
request_parsed = request = Request.parse(
    (
        b"GET / HTTP/1.1\r\n"
        b"Host: www.google.com\r\n"
        b"Connection: keep-alive\r\n"
        b"Content-Length: %i\r\n"
        b"\r\n"
        b"%b"
    )
    % (len(body), body.encode(ENCODE))
)
```

4.2 Response

```python
import json

from httpsuite import Response, ENCODE

# 1. Creates the body of the request.
body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})

# 2. Creates an HTTP response.
response = Response(
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    status=200,
    status_msg="OK",
    headers={
        "Host": "www.google.com",
        "Connection": "keep-alive",
        "Content-Length": len(body),
    },
    body=body,
)

# 3. Parses the equivalent response as the above.
response_parsed = Response.parse(
    (
        b"HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n"
        b"Host: www.google.com\r\n"
        b"Connection: keep-alive\r\n"
        b"Content-Length: %i\r\n"
        b"\r\n"
        b"%b"
    )
    % (len(body), body.encode(ENCODE))
)
```

CHAPTER

FIVE

ADVANCE USE

Advance examples of `httpsuite` being used.

5.1 Sockets

```python
""" Example of using httpsuite to communicate with an external web server using sockets.

1. Open a new socket.
2. Creates the request to be sent via Request object.
3. Connect to httpbin.org via socket.
4. Send generated request to server.
5. Receive raw response from server.
6. Parse the server's response with Response object.
7. Loads the response's body via JSON.
8. Close socket.
"""

from httpsuite import Request, Response
import socket
import json

# 1. Open a new socket.
s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)

# 2. Creates the request to be sent via Request object.
body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})
request = Request(
    method="POST",
    target="/post",
    protocol="HTTP/1.1",
    headers={
        "Host": "httpbin.org",
        "Connection": "close",
        "Content-Length": len(body),
        "Accept": "*/*",
    },
    body=body,
)

# Prints the raw request.
print("====== Raw Request ======", "\n")
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```
print(request.raw, "\n")

# 3. Connect to httpbin.org via socket.
s.connect(("httpbin.org", 80))

# 4. Send generated request to server.
s.sendall(request.raw)

# 5. Receive raw response from server.
response_raw = s.recv(4096)

# Prints the raw response.
print("====== Raw Response ======", "\n")
print(response_raw, "\n")

# 6. Parse the server's response with Response object.
response = Response.parse(response_raw)

# Prints the request and the response (pretty-print).
print("====== Request and Response ======", "\n")
print(request, "\n")
print(response, "\n")

# 7. Loads the response's body via JSON.
body = json.loads(response.body.string)

# Prints the loaded json ('dumps' for pretty-print).
print("====== Json ======", "\n")
print(json.dumps(body, indent=4))

# 8. Close socket.
s.close()
```

5.2 Microservice

```
""" Very primative example of a socket microservice architecture using httpsuite.

Server and Client functions are ran through the 'multiprocessing' module, so
to act as two seperate entities. For the sake of clarity, only the server function
prints anything to console. Entities are documented seperately.
"""

from httpsuite import Request, Response
from multiprocessing import Process
import socket
import time


def server():
    """Simple socket server that uses httpsuite to interpret and reply.

    1. Opens a new socket.
    2. Binds to 127.0.0.1:8080 and waits until new connection.
    3. Accepts connection from external source.
```

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```
    4. Receive the data from the client.
    5. Parse the clients request.
    6. Interpret the request.
    7. Reply to the client.
    8. Close the connection with the client.
    """

    # 1. Opens a new socket.
    s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)

    # 2. Binds to 127.0.0.1:8080 and waits until new connection.
    s.bind(("127.0.0.1", 8080))
    s.listen(1)

    # 3. Accepts connection from external source.
    conn, address = s.accept()

    print("===== Connecting With New Client =====", "\n")
    print(address, "\n")

    # 4. Receive the data from the client.
    data = conn.recv(1024)

    # 5. Parse the clients request.
    request = Request.parse(data)

    print("===== Received Data From Client =====", "\n")
    print(request, "\n")

    # 6. Interpret the request.
    response = Response(protocol="HTTP/1.1", status=200, status_msg="OK")
    if request.target == "/":
        response.body = "Homepage of the microservice."
    elif request.target == "/data":
        response.body = "You are accessing the /data directory of this microservice."
    else:
        response.status = 404
        response.status_msg = "Not Found"

    print("===== Replying to Client =====", "\n")
    print(response, "\n")

    # 7. Reply to the client.
    conn.sendall(response.raw)

    print("===== Closing Connection to Client =====", "\n")

    # 8. Close the connection with the client, and the server.
    conn.close()
    s.close()


def client():
    """Simple socket client that uses httpmodule to request server resource.

    1. Opens a new socket.
    2. Connects the server.
```

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```
    3. Creates a valid request to send to the server.
    4. Sends the request.
    5. Receives reply from the server.
    6. Parses the reply from the server.
    7. Closes connection with the server.
    """

    # Note: Sleeps so that the socket server can boot-up before.
    time.sleep(1)

    # 1. Opens a new socket.
    s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)

    # 2. Connects the server.
    s.connect(("127.0.0.1", 8080))

    # 3. Creates a valid request to send to the server.
    request = Request(method="GET", target="/", protocol="HTTP/1.1")

    # 4. Sends the request.
    s.sendall(request.raw)

    # 5. Receives reply from the server.
    data = s.recv(1024)

    # 6. Parses the reply from the server.
    response = Response.parse(data)

    # 7. Closes connection with the server.
    s.close()


if __name__ == "__main__":
    p1 = Process(target=server)
    p2 = Process(target=client)

    p1.daemon = True
    p2.daemon = True

    p1.start()
    p2.start()

    time.sleep(3)
    raise SystemExit
```

CHAPTER

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GLOSSARY

compile In the context of `httpsuite`, compiling means converting a `Response` or `Request` object into another more useable type, typically either `str` or `bytes`.

message The parent object of both an HTTP request and response.

modify In the context of `httpsuite`, modifying means changing attributes in either the `Request` or `Response` objects. When modifications are applied to these objects usually compilation follows.

parse In the context of `httpsuite`, parsing means interpreting an external type and creating a representative `Response` or `Request` object.

CHAPTER

SEVEN

VERSIONS

7.1 v1

7.1.1 1.1.0

- Revamped and cleaned the codebase.
- Update documentation.

7.1.2 1.0.6

- Updated core `Message` to include `protocol` by default.
- Removed `info.py` and place content inside `__init__.py`.
- Formatted some tests with Black.

7.1.3 1.0.5

- Fixed documentation bug relating to `sphinx_rtd_theme`.

7.1.4 1.0.4

- Fixed documentation bug relating to `m2r`.

7.1.5 1.0.3

- Fixed PyLint errors.
- Added `__bool__` to `Item` for accurate comparissons (i.e. `if request.body` will return `False` when no body exists).
- Modified `Message._compile` input param `format` to `frmt`.

7.1.6 1.0.2

- Cleaned up imports and codebase.

7.1.7 1.0.1

- Cleaned up imports and codebase.

7.1.8 1.0.0

- Initial commit.

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