
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"
                     b"\r\nHello world")
resp = Response.parse(b"HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\nUser-Agent: httpsuite\r\nContent-Length: 12\r\n"
                      b"\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 comparisons on the fly. Similarly to setting properties, one can be assured of type-agnostic property comparisons.

```
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 malleable 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
```

CHAPTER
THREE

INTERFACE

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

BASIC USE

4.1 Request

```
1 import json
2
3 from httpsuite import Request, ENCODE
4
5 # 1. Creates the body of the request.
6 body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})
7
8 # 2. Creates an HTTP request.
9 request = Request(
10     method="GET",
11     target="/",
12     protocol="HTTP/1.1",
13     headers={
14         "Host": "www.google.com",
15         "Connection": "keep-alive",
16         "Content-Length": len(body),
17     },
18     body=body,
19 )
20
21 # 3. Parses the equivalent request as the above.
22 request_parsed = request = Request.parse(
23     (
24         b"GET / HTTP/1.1\r\n"
25         b"Host: www.google.com\r\n"
26         b"Connection: keep-alive\r\n"
27         b"Content-Length: %i\r\n"
28         b"\r\n"
29         b"%b"
30     )
31     % (len(body), body.encode(ENCODE))
32 )
```

4.2 Response

```
1 import json
2
3 from httpsuite import Response, ENCODE
4
5 # 1. Creates the body of the request.
6 body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})
7
8 # 2. Creates an HTTP response.
9 response = Response(
10     protocol="HTTP/1.1",
11     status=200,
12     status_msg="OK",
13     headers={
14         "Host": "www.google.com",
15         "Connection": "keep-alive",
16         "Content-Length": len(body),
17     },
18     body=body,
19 )
20
21 # 3. Parses the equivalent response as the above.
22 response_parsed = Response.parse(
23     (
24         b"HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n"
25         b"Host: www.google.com\r\n"
26         b"Connection: keep-alive\r\n"
27         b"Content-Length: %i\r\n"
28         b"\r\n"
29         b"%b"
30     )
31     % (len(body), body.encode(ENCODE))
32 )
```

ADVANCE USE

Advance examples of httpsuite being used.

5.1 Sockets

```
1 """ Example of using httpsuite to communicate with an external web server using
2 →sockets.
3
4 1. Open a new socket.
5 2. Creates the request to be sent via Request object.
6 3. Connect to httpbin.org via socket.
7 4. Send generated request to server.
8 5. Receive raw response from server.
9 6. Parse the server's response with Response object.
10 7. Loads the response's body via JSON.
11 8. Close socket.
12 """
13
14 from httpsuite import Request, Response
15 import socket
16 import json
17
18 # 1. Open a new socket.
19 s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
20
21 # 2. Creates the request to be sent via Request object.
22 body = json.dumps({"hello": "world"})
23 request = Request(
24     method="POST",
25     target="/post",
26     protocol="HTTP/1.1",
27     headers={
28         "Host": "httpbin.org",
29         "Connection": "close",
30         "Content-Length": len(body),
31         "Accept": "*/*",
32     },
33     body=body,
34 )
35
36 # Prints the raw request.
37 print("===== Raw Request =====", "\n")
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```
37 print(request.raw, "\n")
38
39 # 3. Connect to httpbin.org via socket.
40 s.connect(("httpbin.org", 80))
41
42 # 4. Send generated request to server.
43 s.sendall(request.raw)
44
45 # 5. Receive raw response from server.
46 response_raw = s.recv(4096)
47
48 # Prints the raw response.
49 print("===== Raw Response =====", "\n")
50 print(response_raw, "\n")
51
52 # 6. Parse the server's response with Response object.
53 response = Response.parse(response_raw)
54
55 # Prints the request and the response (pretty-print).
56 print("===== Request and Response =====", "\n")
57 print(request, "\n")
58 print(response, "\n")
59
60 # 7. Loads the response's body via JSON.
61 body = json.loads(response.body.string)
62
63 # Prints the loaded json ('dumps' for pretty-print).
64 print("===== Json =====", "\n")
65 print(json.dumps(body, indent=4))
66
67 # 8. Close socket.
68 s.close()
```

5.2 Microservice

```
1     """ Very primative example of a socket microservice architecture using httpsuite.
2
3     Server and Client functions are ran through the 'multiprocessing' module, so
4     to act as two seperate entities. For the sake of clarity, only the server function
5     prints anything to console. Entities are documented seperately.
6 """
7
8 from httpsuite import Request, Response
9 from multiprocessing import Process
10 import socket
11 import time
12
13
14 def server():
15     """Simple socket server that uses httpsuite to interpret and reply.
16
17     1. Opens a new socket.
18     2. Binds to 127.0.0.1:8080 and waits until new connection.
19     3. Accepts connection from external source.
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20     4. Receive the data from the client.
21     5. Parse the clients request.
22     6. Interpret the request.
23     7. Reply to the client.
24     8. Close the connection with the client.
25     """
26
27     # 1. Opens a new socket.
28     s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
29
30     # 2. Binds to 127.0.0.1:8080 and waits until new connection.
31     s.bind(("127.0.0.1", 8080))
32     s.listen(1)
33
34     # 3. Accepts connection from external source.
35     conn, address = s.accept()
36
37     print("===== Connecting With New Client =====", "\n")
38     print(address, "\n")
39
40     # 4. Receive the data from the client.
41     data = conn.recv(1024)
42
43     # 5. Parse the clients request.
44     request = Request.parse(data)
45
46     print("===== Received Data From Client =====", "\n")
47     print(request, "\n")
48
49     # 6. Interpret the request.
50     response = Response(protocol="HTTP/1.1", status=200, status_msg="OK")
51     if request.target == "/":
52         response.body = "Homepage of the microservice."
53     elif request.target == "/data":
54         response.body = "You are accessing the /data directory of this microservice."
55     else:
56         response.status = 404
57         response.status_msg = "Not Found"
58
59     print("===== Replying to Client =====", "\n")
60     print(response, "\n")
61
62     # 7. Reply to the client.
63     conn.sendall(response.raw)
64
65     print("===== Closing Connection to Client =====", "\n")
66
67     # 8. Close the connection with the client, and the server.
68     conn.close()
69     s.close()
70
71
72 def client():
73     """Simple socket client that uses httpmodule to request server resource.
74
75     1. Opens a new socket.
76     2. Connects the server.

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```
77     3. Creates a valid request to send to the server.  
78     4. Sends the request.  
79     5. Receives reply from the server.  
80     6. Parses the reply from the server.  
81     7. Closes connection with the server.  
82     """  
83  
84     # Note: Sleeps so that the socket server can boot-up before.  
85     time.sleep(1)  
86  
87     # 1. Opens a new socket.  
88     s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)  
89  
90     # 2. Connects the server.  
91     s.connect(("127.0.0.1", 8080))  
92  
93     # 3. Creates a valid request to send to the server.  
94     request = Request(method="GET", target="/", protocol="HTTP/1.1")  
95  
96     # 4. Sends the request.  
97     s.sendall(request.raw)  
98  
99     # 5. Receives reply from the server.  
100    data = s.recv(1024)  
101  
102    # 6. Parses the reply from the server.  
103    response = Response.parse(data)  
104  
105    # 7. Closes connection with the server.  
106    s.close()  
107  
108  
109 if __name__ == "__main__":  
110     p1 = Process(target=server)  
111     p2 = Process(target=client)  
112  
113     p1.daemon = True  
114     p2.daemon = True  
115  
116     p1.start()  
117     p2.start()  
118  
119     time.sleep(3)  
120     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.

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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