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• Current version: 6.2.dev1 (download from PyPI, release notes)
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Here is a simple “Hello, world” example web app for Tornado:

```python
import tornado.ioloop
import tornado.web

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write("Hello, world")

def make_app():
    return tornado.web.Application(["/", MainHandler],)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app = make_app()
    app.listen(8888)
    tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()
```

This example does not use any of Tornado’s asynchronous features; for that see this simple chat room.
Tornado is different from most Python web frameworks. It is not based on WSGI, and it is typically run with only one thread per process. See the User’s guide for more on Tornado’s approach to asynchronous programming.

While some support of WSGI is available in the tornado.wsgi module, it is not a focus of development and most applications should be written to use Tornado’s own interfaces (such as tornado.web) directly instead of using WSGI.

In general, Tornado code is not thread-safe. The only method in Tornado that is safe to call from other threads is IOLoop.add_callback. You can also use IOLoop.run_in_executor to asynchronously run a blocking function on another thread, but note that the function passed to run_in_executor should avoid referencing any Tornado objects. run_in_executor is the recommended way to interact with blocking code.
Tornado is integrated with the standard library `asyncio` module and shares the same event loop (by default since Tornado 5.0). In general, libraries designed for use with `asyncio` can be mixed freely with Tornado.
pip install tornado

Tornado is listed in PyPI and can be installed with pip. Note that the source distribution includes demo applications that are not present when Tornado is installed in this way, so you may wish to download a copy of the source tarball or clone the git repository as well.

**Prerequisites:** Tornado 6.0 requires Python 3.6 or newer (See Tornado 5.1 if compatibility with Python 2.7 is required). The following optional packages may be useful:

- pycurl is used by the optional tornado.curl_httpclient. Libcurl version 7.22 or higher is required.
- Twisted may be used with the classes in tornado.platform.twisted.
- pycares is an alternative non-blocking DNS resolver that can be used when threads are not appropriate.

**Platforms:** Tornado is designed for Unix-like platforms, with best performance and scalability on systems supporting epoll (Linux), kqueue (BSD/macOS), or /dev/poll (Solaris).

Tornado will also run on Windows, although this configuration is not officially supported or recommended for production use. Some features are missing on Windows (including multi-process mode) and scalability is limited (Even though Tornado is built on asyncio, which supports Windows, Tornado does not use the APIs that are necessary for scalable networking on Windows).
CHAPTER SIX

DOCUMENTATION

This documentation is also available in PDF and Epub formats.

6.1 User’s guide

6.1.1 Introduction

Tornado is a Python web framework and asynchronous networking library, originally developed at FriendFeed. By using non-blocking network I/O, Tornado can scale to tens of thousands of open connections, making it ideal for long polling, WebSockets, and other applications that require a long-lived connection to each user.

Tornado can be roughly divided into four major components:

- A web framework (including RequestHandler which is subclassed to create web applications, and various supporting classes).
- Client- and server-side implementations of HTTP (HTTPServer and AsyncHTTPClient).
- An asynchronous networking library including the classes IOLoop and Iostream, which serve as the building blocks for the HTTP components and can also be used to implement other protocols.
- A coroutine library (tornado.gen) which allows asynchronous code to be written in a more straightforward way than chaining callbacks. This is similar to the native coroutine feature introduced in Python 3.5 (async def). Native coroutines are recommended in place of the tornado.gen module when available.

The Tornado web framework and HTTP server together offer a full-stack alternative to WSGI. While it is possible to use the Tornado HTTP server as a container for other WSGI frameworks (WSGIContainer), this combination has limitations and to take full advantage of Tornado you will need to use Tornado’s web framework and HTTP server together.

6.1.2 Asynchronous and non-Blocking I/O

Real-time web features require a long-lived mostly-idle connection per user. In a traditional synchronous web server, this implies devoting one thread to each user, which can be very expensive.

To minimize the cost of concurrent connections, Tornado uses a single-threaded event loop. This means that all application code should aim to be asynchronous and non-blocking because only one operation can be active at a time.

The terms asynchronous and non-blocking are closely related and are often used interchangeably, but they are not quite the same thing.
Blocking

A function **blocks** when it waits for something to happen before returning. A function may block for many reasons: network I/O, disk I/O, mutexes, etc. In fact, *every* function blocks, at least a little bit, while it is running and using the CPU (for an extreme example that demonstrates why CPU blocking must be taken as seriously as other kinds of blocking, consider password hashing functions like `bcrypt`, which by design use hundreds of milliseconds of CPU time, far more than a typical network or disk access).

A function can be blocking in some respects and non-blocking in others. In the context of Tornado we generally talk about blocking in the context of network I/O, although all kinds of blocking are to be minimized.

Asynchronous

An **asynchronous** function returns before it is finished, and generally causes some work to happen in the background before triggering some future action in the application (as opposed to normal synchronous functions, which do everything they are going to do before returning). There are many styles of asynchronous interfaces:

- Callback argument
- Return a placeholder (**Future**, **Promise**, **Deferred**)
- Deliver to a queue
- Callback registry (e.g. POSIX signals)

Regardless of which type of interface is used, asynchronous functions by definition interact differently with their callers; there is no free way to make a synchronous function asynchronous in a way that is transparent to its callers (systems like `gevent` use lightweight threads to offer performance comparable to asynchronous systems, but they do not actually make things asynchronous).

Asynchronous operations in Tornado generally return placeholder objects (**Futures**), with the exception of some low-level components like the **IOLoop** that use callbacks. **Futures** are usually transformed into their result with the `await` or `yield` keywords.

Examples

Here is a sample synchronous function:

```python
from tornado.httpclient import HTTPClient

def synchronous_fetch(url):
    http_client = HTTPClient()
    response = http_client.fetch(url)
    return response.body
```

And here is the same function rewritten asynchronously as a native coroutine:

```python
from tornado.httpclient import AsyncHTTPClient

async def asynchronous_fetch(url):
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    response = await http_client.fetch(url)
    return response.body
```

Or for compatibility with older versions of Python, using the `tornado.gen` module:
```
from tornado.httpclient import AsyncHTTPClient
from tornado import gen

@gen.coroutine
def async_fetch_gen(url):
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    response = yield http_client.fetch(url)
    raise gen.Return(response.body)
```

Coroutines are a little magical, but what they do internally is something like this:

```
from tornado.concurrent import Future

def async_fetch_manual(url):
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    my_future = Future()
    fetch_future = http_client.fetch(url)
    def on_fetch(f):
        my_future.set_result(f.result().body)
    fetch_future.add_done_callback(on_fetch)
    return my_future
```

Notice that the coroutine returns its `Future` before the fetch is done. This is what makes coroutines asynchronous.

Anything you can do with coroutines you can also do by passing callback objects around, but coroutines provide an important simplification by letting you organize your code in the same way you would if it were synchronous. This is especially important for error handling, since `try/except` blocks work as you would expect in coroutines while this is difficult to achieve with callbacks. Coroutines will be discussed in depth in the next section of this guide.

### 6.1.3 Coroutines

Coroutines are the recommended way to write asynchronous code in Tornado. Coroutines use the Python `await` or `yield` keyword to suspend and resume execution instead of a chain of callbacks (cooperative lightweight threads as seen in frameworks like `gevent` are sometimes called coroutines as well, but in Tornado all coroutines use explicit context switches and are called as asynchronous functions).

Coroutines are almost as simple as synchronous code, but without the expense of a thread. They also make concurrency easier to reason about by reducing the number of places where a context switch can happen.

Example:

```
async def fetch_coroutine(url):
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    response = await http_client.fetch(url)
    return response.body
```
Native vs decorated coroutines

Python 3.5 introduced the `async` and `await` keywords (functions using these keywords are also called “native coroutines”). For compatibility with older versions of Python, you can use “decorated” or “yield-based” coroutines using the `tornado.gen.coroutine` decorator.

Native coroutines are the recommended form whenever possible. Only use decorated coroutines when compatibility with older versions of Python is required. Examples in the Tornado documentation will generally use the native form.

Translation between the two forms is generally straightforward:

```python
# Decorated: # Native:
# Normal function declaration # "async def" keywords
@gen.coroutine
def a():
    # "yield" all async funcs # "await" all async funcs
    b = yield c() b = await c()
    # "return" and "yield" # cannot be mixed in
    # Python 2, so raise a special exception.
    # special exception. # Return normally
    raise gen.Return(b) return b
```

Other differences between the two forms of coroutine are outlined below.

- **Native coroutines:**
  - are generally faster.
  - can use `async for` and `async with` statements which make some patterns much simpler.
  - do not run at all unless you `await` or `yield` them. Decorated coroutines can start running “in the background” as soon as they are called. Note that for both kinds of coroutines it is important to use `await` or `yield` so that any exceptions have somewhere to go.

- **Decorated coroutines:**
  - have additional integration with the `concurrent.futures` package, allowing the result of `executor.submit` to be yielded directly. For native coroutines, use `IOLoop.run_in_executor` instead.
  - support some shorthand for waiting on multiple objects by yielding a list or dict. Use `tornado.gen.multi` to do this in native coroutines.
  - can support integration with other packages including Twisted via a registry of conversion functions. To access this functionality in native coroutines, use `tornado.gen.convert_yielded`.
  - always return a `Future` object. Native coroutines return an `awaitable` object that is not a `Future`. In Tornado the two are mostly interchangeable.
How it works

This section explains the operation of decorated coroutines. Native coroutines are conceptually similar, but a little more complicated because of the extra integration with the Python runtime.

A function containing `yield` is a generator. All generators are asynchronous; when called they return a generator object instead of running to completion. The `@gen.coroutine` decorator communicates with the generator via the `yield` expressions, and with the coroutine’s caller by returning a `Future`.

Here is a simplified version of the coroutine decorator’s inner loop:

```python
# Simplified inner loop of tornado.gen.Runner
def run(self):
    # send(x) makes the current yield return x.
    # It returns when the next yield is reached
    future = self.gen.send(self.next)
    def callback(f):
        self.next = f.result()
        self.run()
    future.add_done_callback(callback)
```

The decorator receives a `Future` from the generator, waits (without blocking) for that `Future` to complete, then “unwraps” the `Future` and sends the result back into the generator as the result of the `yield` expression. Most asynchronous code never touches the `Future` class directly except to immediately pass the `Future` returned by an asynchronous function to a `yield` expression.

How to call a coroutine

Coroutines do not raise exceptions in the normal way: any exception they raise will be trapped in the awaitable object until it is yielded. This means it is important to call coroutines in the right way, or you may have errors that go unnoticed:

```python
async def divide(x, y):
    return x / y
def bad_call():
    # This should raise a ZeroDivisionError, but it won't because
    # the coroutine is called incorrectly.
    divide(1, 0)
```

In nearly all cases, any function that calls a coroutine must be a coroutine itself, and use the `await` or `yield` keyword in the call. When you are overriding a method defined in a superclass, consult the documentation to see if coroutines are allowed (the documentation should say that the method “may be a coroutine” or “may return a `Future`”):

```python
async def good_call():
    # await will unwrap the object returned by divide() and raise
    # the exception.
    await divide(1, 0)
```

Sometimes you may want to “fire and forget” a coroutine without waiting for its result. In this case it is recommended to use `IOLoop.spawn_callback`, which makes the `IOLoop` responsible for the call. If it fails, the `IOLoop` will log a stack trace:

```python
# The IOLoop will catch the exception and print a stack trace in
# the logs. Note that this doesn't look like a normal call, since
# we pass the function object to be called by the IOLoop.
IOLoop.current().spawn_callback(divide, 1, 0)
```
Using `IOLoop.spawn_callback` in this way is **recommended** for functions using `@gen.coroutine`, but it is **required** for functions using `async def` (otherwise the coroutine runner will not start).

Finally, at the top level of a program, *if the IOLoop is not yet running*, you can start the `IOLoop`, run the coroutine, and then stop the `IOLoop` with the `IOLoop.run_sync` method. This is often used to start the main function of a batch-oriented program:

```python
# run_sync() doesn't take arguments, so we must wrap the # call in a lambda.
IOLoop.current().run_sync(lambda: divide(1, 0))
```

### Coroutine patterns

#### Calling blocking functions

The simplest way to call a blocking function from a coroutine is to use `IOLoop.run_in_executor`, which returns futures that are compatible with coroutines:

```python
async def call_blocking():
    await IOLoop.current().run_in_executor(None, blocking_func, args)
```

### Parallelism

The `multi` function accepts lists and dicts whose values are futures, and waits for all of those futures in parallel:

```python
from tornado.gen import multi

async def parallel_fetch(url1, url2):
    resp1, resp2 = await multi([http_client.fetch(url1), http_client.fetch(url2)])

async def parallel_fetch_many(urls):
    responses = await multi([http_client.fetch(url) for url in urls])
    # responses is a list of HTTPResponses in the same order

async def parallel_fetch_dict(urls):
    responses = await multi({url: http_client.fetch(url) for url in urls})
    # responses is a dict {url: HTTPResponse}
```

In decorated coroutines, it is possible to `yield` the list or dict directly:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def parallel_fetch_decorated(url1, url2):
    resp1, resp2 = yield [http_client.fetch(url1), http_client.fetch(url2)]
```
Interleaving

Sometimes it is useful to save a `Future` instead of yielding it immediately, so you can start another operation before waiting.

```python
from tornado.gen import convert_yielded

async def get(self):
    # convert_yielded() starts the native coroutine in the background.
    # This is equivalent to asyncio.ensure_future() (both work in Tornado).
    fetch_future = convert_yielded(self.fetch_next_chunk())
    while True:
        chunk = await fetch_future
        if chunk is None:
            break
        self.write(chunk)
        fetch_future = convert_yielded(self.fetch_next_chunk())
        await self.flush()
```

This is a little easier to do with decorated coroutines, because they start immediately when called:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def get(self):
    fetch_future = self.fetch_next_chunk()
    while True:
        chunk = yield fetch_future
        if chunk is None:
            break
        self.write(chunk)
        fetch_future = self.fetch_next_chunk()
        yield self.flush()
```

Looping

In native coroutines, `async for` can be used. In older versions of Python, looping is tricky with coroutines since there is no way to `yield` on every iteration of a `for` or `while` loop and capture the result of the yield. Instead, you’ll need to separate the loop condition from accessing the results, as in this example from Motor:

```python
import motor
db = motor.MotorClient().test

@gen.coroutine
def loop_example(collection):
    cursor = db.collection.find()
    while (yield cursor.fetch_next):
        doc = cursor.next_object()
```
Running in the background

PeriodicCallback is not normally used with coroutines. Instead, a coroutine can contain a while True: loop and use tornado.gen.sleep:

```python
async def minute_loop():
    while True:
        await do_something()
        await gen.sleep(60)

# Coroutines that loop forever are generally started with
# spawn_callback().
IOLoop.current().spawn_callback(minute_loop)
```

Sometimes a more complicated loop may be desirable. For example, the previous loop runs every 60+N seconds, where N is the running time of do_something(). To run exactly every 60 seconds, use the interleaving pattern from above:

```python
async def minute_loop2():
    while True:
        nxt = gen.sleep(60)  # Start the clock.
        await do_something()  # Run while the clock is ticking.
        await nxt  # Wait for the timer to run out.
```

6.1.4 Queue example - a concurrent web spider

Tornado’s tornado.queues module implements an asynchronous producer/consumer pattern for coroutines, analogous to the pattern implemented for threads by the Python standard library’s queue module.

A coroutine that yields Queue.get pauses until there is an item in the queue. If the queue has a maximum size set, a coroutine that yields Queue.put pauses until there is room for another item.

A Queue maintains a count of unfinished tasks, which begins at zero. put increments the count; task_done decrements it.

In the web-spider example here, the queue begins containing only base_url. When a worker fetches a page it parses the links and puts new ones in the queue, then calls task_done to decrement the counter once. Eventually, a worker fetches a page whose URLs have all been seen before, and there is also no work left in the queue. Thus that worker’s call to task_done decrements the counter to zero. The main coroutine, which is waiting for join, is unpaused and finishes.

```python
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import time
from datetime import timedelta
from html.parser import HTMLParser
from urllib.parse import urljoin, urldefrag
from tornado import gen, httpclient, ioloop, queues

concurrency = 10

async def get_links_from_url(url):
    # (continues on next page)
```
"""Download the page at `url` and parse it for links.

Returned links have had the fragment after `#` removed, and have been made
absolute so, e.g. the URL 'gen.html#tornado.gen.coroutine' becomes
"""

response = await httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient().fetch(url)
print("fetched %s" % url)

html = response.body.decode(errors="ignore")
return [urljoin(url, remove_fragment(new_url)) for new_url in get_links(html)]

def remove_fragment(url):
    pure_url, frag = urldefrag(url)
    return pure_url

def get_links(html):
    class URLSeeker(HTMLParser):
        def __init__(self):
            HTMLParser.__init__(self)
            self.urls = []

        def handle_starttag(self, tag, attrs):
            href = dict(attrs).get("href")
            if href and tag == "a":
                self.urls.append(href)

    url_seeker = URLSeeker()
    url_seeker.feed(html)
    return url_seeker.urls

async def main():
    q = queues.Queue()
    start = time.time()
    fetching, fetched, dead = set(), set(), set()

    async def fetch_url(current_url):
        if current_url in fetching:
            return

        print("fetching %s" % current_url)
        fetching.add(current_url)
        urls = await get_links_from_url(current_url)
        fetched.add(current_url)

        for new_url in urls:
            # Only follow links beneath the base URL
            if new_url.startswith(base_url):
                await q.put(new_url)

    async def worker():
        async for url in q:
            if url is None:
                return

async def fetch_url(current_url):
    if current_url in fetching:
        return

    print("fetching %s" % current_url)
    fetching.add(current_url)
    urls = await get_links_from_url(current_url)
    fetched.add(current_url)

    for new_url in urls:
        # Only follow links beneath the base URL
        if new_url.startswith(base_url):
            await q.put(new_url)

async def worker():
    async for url in q:
        if url is None:
            return
try:
    await fetch_url(url)
except Exception as e:
    print("Exception: $s $s" % (e, url))
dead.add(url)
finally:
    q.task_done()

await q.put(base_url)

# Start workers, then wait for the work queue to be empty.
workers = gen.multi([worker() for _ in range(concurrency)])
await q.join(timeout=timedelta(seconds=300))
assert fetching == (fetched | dead)
print("Done in %d seconds, fetched %s URLs." % (time.time() - start, len(fetched)))
print("Unable to fetch %s URLs." % len(dead))

# Signal all the workers to exit.
for _ in range(concurrency):
    await q.put(None)
await workers

if __name__ == "__main__":
    io_loop = ioloop.IOLoop.current()
    io_loop.run_sync(main)

6.1.5 Structure of a Tornado web application

A Tornado web application generally consists of one or more RequestHandler subclasses, an Application object which routes incoming requests to handlers, and a main() function to start the server.

A minimal “hello world” example looks something like this:

```python
import tornado.ioloop
import tornado.web

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write("Hello, world")

def make_app():
    return tornado.web.Application([(
        r"/", MainHandler),
    ])

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app = make_app()
    app.listen(8888)
    tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()
```
The Application object

The Application object is responsible for global configuration, including the routing table that maps requests to handlers.

The routing table is a list of URLSpec objects (or tuples), each of which contains (at least) a regular expression and a handler class. Order matters; the first matching rule is used. If the regular expression contains capturing groups, these groups are the path arguments and will be passed to the handler’s HTTP method. If a dictionary is passed as the third element of the URLSpec, it supplies the initialization arguments which will be passed to RequestHandler.initialize. Finally, the URLSpec may have a name, which will allow it to be used with RequestHandler.reverse_url.

For example, in this fragment the root URL / is mapped to MainHandler and URLs of the form /story/ followed by a number are mapped to StoryHandler. That number is passed (as a string) to StoryHandler.get.

class MainHandler(RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write('<a href="{}">link to story 1</a>'.format(self.reverse_url("story", "1")))

class StoryHandler(RequestHandler):
    def initialize(self, db):
        self.db = db

    def get(self, story_id):
        self.write("this is story {}".format(story_id))

app = Application(
    url(r"/", MainHandler),
    url(r"/story/([0-9]+)"), StoryHandler, dict(db=db), name="story")

The Application constructor takes many keyword arguments that can be used to customize the behavior of the application and enable optional features; see Application.settings for the complete list.

Subclassing RequestHandler

Most of the work of a Tornado web application is done in subclasses of RequestHandler. The main entry point for a handler subclass is a method named after the HTTP method being handled: get(), post(), etc. Each handler may define one or more of these methods to handle different HTTP actions. As described above, these methods will be called with arguments corresponding to the capturing groups of the routing rule that matched.

Within a handler, call methods such as RequestHandler.render or RequestHandler.write to produce a response. render() loads a Template by name and renders it with the given arguments. write() is used for non-template-based output; it accepts strings, bytes, and dictionaries (dicts will be encoded as JSON).

Many methods in RequestHandler are designed to be overridden in subclasses and be used throughout the application. It is common to define a BaseHandler class that overrides methods such as write_error and get_current_user and then subclass your own BaseHandler instead of RequestHandler for all your specific handlers.
Handling request input

The request handler can access the object representing the current request with `self.request`. See the class definition for `HTTPServerRequest` for a complete list of attributes.

Request data in the formats used by HTML forms will be parsed for you and is made available in methods like `get_query_argument` and `get_body_argument`.

```python
class MyFormHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write('<html><body><form action="/myform" method="POST">'
            '<input type="text" name="message">'
            '<input type="submit" value="Submit">'
        '</form></body></html>')</n
    def post(self):
        self.set_header("Content-Type", "text/plain")
        self.write("You wrote " + self.get_body_argument("message"))
```

Since the HTML form encoding is ambiguous as to whether an argument is a single value or a list with one element, `RequestHandler` has distinct methods to allow the application to indicate whether or not it expects a list. For lists, use `get_query_arguments` and `get_body_arguments` instead of their singular counterparts.

Files uploaded via a form are available in `self.request.files`, which maps names (the name of the HTML `<input type="file">` element) to a list of files. Each file is a dictionary of the form `{"filename":..., "content_type":..., "body":...}`. The `files` object is only present if the files were uploaded with a form wrapper (i.e. a `multipart/form-data` Content-Type); if this format was not used the raw uploaded data is available in `self.request.body`. By default uploaded files are fully buffered in memory; if you need to handle files that are too large to comfortably keep in memory see the `stream_request_body` class decorator.

In the demos directory, `file_receiver.py` shows both methods of receiving file uploads.

Due to the quirks of the HTML form encoding (e.g. the ambiguity around singular versus plural arguments), Tornado does not attempt to unify form arguments with other types of input. In particular, we do not parse JSON request bodies. Applications that wish to use JSON instead of form-encoding may override `prepare` to parse their requests:

```python
def prepare(self):
    if self.request.headers.get("Content-Type", ")
        .startswith("application/json"):
            self.json_args = json.loads(self.request.body)
    else:
        self.json_args = None
```

Overriding RequestHandler methods

In addition to `get()`/`post()`/etc, certain other methods in `RequestHandler` are designed to be overridden by subclasses when necessary. On every request, the following sequence of calls takes place:

1. A new `RequestHandler` object is created on each request.
2. `initialize()` is called with the initialization arguments from the `Application` configuration. `initialize` should typically just save the arguments passed into member variables; it may not produce any output or call methods like `send_error`.
3. `prepare()` is called. This is most useful in a base class shared by all of your handler subclasses, as `prepare` is called no matter which HTTP method is used. `prepare` may produce output; if it calls `finish` (or `redirect`, etc), processing stops here.
4. One of the HTTP methods is called: `get()`, `post()`, `put()`, etc. If the URL regular expression contains capturing groups, they are passed as arguments to this method.

5. When the request is finished, `on_finish()` is called. This is generally after `get()` or another HTTP method returns.

All methods designed to be overridden are noted as such in the `RequestHandler` documentation. Some of the most commonly overridden methods include:

- `write_error` - outputs HTML for use on error pages.
- `on_connection_close` - called when the client disconnects; applications may choose to detect this case and halt further processing. Note that there is no guarantee that a closed connection can be detected promptly.
- `get_current_user` - see `User authentication`.
- `get_user_locale` - returns `Locale` object to use for the current user.
- `set_default_headers` - may be used to set additional headers on the response (such as a custom `Server` header).

**Error Handling**

If a handler raises an exception, Tornado will call `RequestHandler.write_error` to generate an error page. `tornado.web.HTTPError` can be used to generate a specified status code; all other exceptions return a 500 status.

The default error page includes a stack trace in debug mode and a one-line description of the error (e.g. “500: Internal Server Error”) otherwise. To produce a custom error page, override `RequestHandler.write_error` (probably in a base class shared by all your handlers). This method may produce output normally via methods such as `write` and `render`. If the error was caused by an exception, an `exc_info` triple will be passed as a keyword argument (note that this exception is not guaranteed to be the current exception in `sys.exc_info`, so `write_error` must use e.g. `traceback.format_exception` instead of `traceback.format_exc`).

It is also possible to generate an error page from regular handler methods instead of `write_error` by calling `set_status`, writing a response, and returning. The special exception `tornado.web.Finish` may be raised to terminate the handler without calling `write_error` in situations where simply returning is not convenient.

For 404 errors, use the `default_handler_class` `Application` setting. This handler should override `prepare` instead of a more specific method like `get()` so it works with any HTTP method. It should produce its error page as described above: either by raising a `HTTPError(404)` and overriding `write_error`, or calling `self.set_status(404)` and producing the response directly in `prepare()`.

**Redirection**

There are two main ways you can redirect requests in Tornado: `RequestHandler.redirect` and with the `RedirectHandler`.

You can use `self.redirect()` within a `RequestHandler` method to redirect users elsewhere. There is also an optional parameter `permanent` which you can use to indicate that the redirection is considered permanent. The default value of `permanent` is `False`, which generates a 302 `Found` HTTP response code and is appropriate for things like redirecting users after successful `POST` requests. If `permanent` is `True`, the 301 `Moved Permanently` HTTP response code is used, which is useful for e.g. redirecting to a canonical URL for a page in an SEO-friendly manner.

`RedirectHandler` lets you configure redirects directly in your `Application` routing table. For example, to configure a single static redirect:
app = tornado.web.Application([  
    url(r"/app", tornado.web.RedirectHandler,  
        dict(url="http://itunes.apple.com/my-app-id")),  
])

RedirectHandler also supports regular expression substitutions. The following rule redirects all requests beginning with /pictures/ to the prefix /photos/ instead:

app = tornado.web.Application([  
    url(r"/photos/(.*)", MyPhotoHandler),  
    url(r"/pictures/(.*)", tornado.web.RedirectHandler,  
        dict(url=r"/photos/\1")),  
])

Unlike RequestHandler.redirect, RedirectHandler uses permanent redirects by default. This is because the routing table does not change at runtime and is presumed to be permanent, while redirects found in handlers are likely to be the result of other logic that may change. To send a temporary redirect with a RedirectHandler, add permanent=False to the RedirectHandler initialization arguments.

Asynchronous handlers

Certain handler methods (including prepare() and the HTTP verb methods get()/post/etc) may be overridden as coroutines to make the handler asynchronous.

For example, here is a simple handler using a coroutine:

```python
class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    async def get(self):
        http = tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient()
        response = await http.fetch("http://friendfeed-api.com/v2/feed/bret")
        json = tornado.escape.json_decode(response.body)
        self.write("Fetched " + str(len(json["entries"])) + " entries "  
                   "from the FriendFeed API")
```

For a more advanced asynchronous example, take a look at the chat example application, which implements an AJAX chat room using long polling. Users of long polling may want to override on_connection_close() to clean up after the client closes the connection (but see that method’s docstring for caveats).

6.1.6 Templates and UI

Tornado includes a simple, fast, and flexible templating language. This section describes that language as well as related issues such as internationalization.

Tornado can also be used with any other Python template language, although there is no provision for integrating these systems into RequestHandler.render. Simply render the template to a string and pass it to RequestHandler.write
Configuring templates

By default, Tornado looks for template files in the same directory as the .py files that refer to them. To put your template files in a different directory, use the `template_path` Application setting (or override `RequestHandler.get_template_path` if you have different template paths for different handlers).

To load templates from a non-filesystem location, subclass `tornado.template.BaseLoader` and pass an instance as the `template_loader` application setting.

Compiled templates are cached by default; to turn off this caching and reload templates so changes to the underlying files are always visible, use the application settings `compiled_template_cache=False` or `debug=True`.

Template syntax

A Tornado template is just HTML (or any other text-based format) with Python control sequences and expressions embedded within the markup:

```html
<html>
<head>
    <title>{{ title }}</title>
</head>
<body>
    <ul>
        {% for item in items %}
            <li>{{ escape(item) }}</li>
        {% end %}
    </ul>
</body>
</html>
```

If you saved this template as “template.html” and put it in the same directory as your Python file, you could render this template with:

```python
class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        items = ["Item 1", "Item 2", "Item 3"]
        self.render("template.html", title="My title", items=items)
```

Tornado templates support control statements and expressions. Control statements are surrounded by `{%` and `%}`, e.g. `{% if len(items) > 2 %}`. Expressions are surrounded by `{{` and `}}`, e.g. `{{ items[0] }}`.

Control statements more or less map exactly to Python statements. We support `if`, `for`, `while`, and `try`, all of which are terminated with `{% end %}`. We also support `template inheritance` using the `extends` and `block` statements, which are described in detail in the documentation for the `tornado.template`.

Expressions can be any Python expression, including function calls. Template code is executed in a namespace that includes the following objects and functions. (Note that this list applies to templates rendered using `RequestHandler.render` and `render_string`. If you’re using the `tornado.template` module directly outside of a `RequestHandler` many of these entries are not present).

- `escape`: alias for `tornado.escape.xhtml_escape`
- `xhtml_escape`: alias for `tornado.escape.xhtml_escape`
- `url_escape`: alias for `tornado.escape.url_escape`
- `json_encode`: alias for `tornado.escape.json_encode`
- `squeeze`: alias for `tornado.escape.squeeze`
• **linkify**: alias for `tornado.escape.linkify`
• **datetime**: the Python `datetime` module
• **handler**: the current `RequestHandler` object
• **request**: alias for `handler.request`
• **current_user**: alias for `handler.current_user`
• **locale**: alias for `handler.locale`
• **_**: alias for `handler.locale.translate`
• **static_url**: alias for `handler.static_url`
• **xsrf_form_html**: alias for `handler.xsrf_form_html`
• **reverse_url**: alias for `Application.reverse_url`
• All entries from the `ui_methods` and `ui_modules` Application settings

Any keyword arguments passed to `render` or `render_string`

When you are building a real application, you are going to want to use all of the features of Tornado templates, especially template inheritance. Read all about those features in the `tornado.template` section (some features, including UIModules are implemented in the `tornado.web` module).

Under the hood, Tornado templates are translated directly to Python. The expressions you include in your template are copied verbatim into a Python function representing your template. We don’t try to prevent anything in the template language; we created it explicitly to provide the flexibility that other, stricter templating systems prevent. Consequently, if you write random stuff inside of your template expressions, you will get random Python errors when you execute the template.

All template output is escaped by default, using the `tornado.escape.xhtml_escape` function. This behavior can be changed globally by passing `autoescape=None` to the `Application` or `tornado.template.Loader` constructors, for a template file with the `{% autoescape None %}` directive, or for a single expression by replacing `{% raw ... %}`. Additionally, in each of these places the name of an alternative escaping function may be used instead of `None`.

Note that while Tornado’s automatic escaping is helpful in avoiding XSS vulnerabilities, it is not sufficient in all cases. Expressions that appear in certain locations, such as in JavaScript or CSS, may need additional escaping. Additionally, either care must be taken to always use double quotes and `xhtml_escape` in HTML attributes that may contain untrusted content, or a separate escaping function must be used for attributes (see e.g. this blog post).

### Internationalization

The locale of the current user (whether they are logged in or not) is always available as `self.locale` in the request handler and as `locale` in templates. The name of the locale (e.g., `en_US`) is available as `locale.name`, and you can translate strings with the `Locale.translate` method. Templates also have the global function call `_()` available for string translation. The translate function has two forms:

```
_("Translate this string")
```

which translates the string directly based on the current locale, and:

```
_("A person liked this", "%(num)d people liked this", len(people)) % {"num": len(people)}
```
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which translates a string that can be singular or plural based on the value of the third argument. In the example above,
a translation of the first string will be returned if len(people) is 1, or a translation of the second string will be
returned otherwise.
The most common pattern for translations is to use Python named placeholders for variables (the %(num)d in the
example above) since placeholders can move around on translation.
Here is a properly internationalized template:
<html>
<head>
<title>FriendFeed - {{ _("Sign in") }}</title>
</head>
<body>
<form action="{{ request.path }}" method="post">
<div>{{ _("Username") }} <input type="text" name="username"/></div>
<div>{{ _("Password") }} <input type="password" name="password"/></div>
<div><input type="submit" value="{{ _("Sign in") }}"/></div>
{% module xsrf_form_html() %}
</form>
</body>
</html>

By default, we detect the user’s locale using the Accept-Language header sent by the user’s browser. We choose
en_US if we can’t find an appropriate Accept-Language value. If you let user’s set their locale as a preference,
you can override this default locale selection by overriding RequestHandler.get_user_locale:
class BaseHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
def get_current_user(self):
user_id = self.get_secure_cookie("user")
if not user_id: return None
return self.backend.get_user_by_id(user_id)
def get_user_locale(self):
if "locale" not in self.current_user.prefs:
# Use the Accept-Language header
return None
return self.current_user.prefs["locale"]

If get_user_locale returns None, we fall back on the Accept-Language header.
The tornado.locale module supports loading translations in two formats: the .mo format used by gettext
and related tools, and a simple .csv format. An application will generally call either tornado.locale.
load_translations or tornado.locale.load_gettext_translations once at startup; see those
methods for more details on the supported formats.
You can get the list of supported locales in your application with tornado.locale.
get_supported_locales(). The user’s locale is chosen to be the closest match based on the supported
locales. For example, if the user’s locale is es_GT, and the es locale is supported, self.locale will be es for
that request. We fall back on en_US if no close match can be found.

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UI modules

Tornado supports UI modules to make it easy to support standard, reusable UI widgets across your application. UI modules are like special function calls to render components of your page, and they can come packaged with their own CSS and JavaScript.

For example, if you are implementing a blog, and you want to have blog entries appear on both the blog home page and on each blog entry page, you can make an Entry module to render them on both pages. First, create a Python module for your UI modules, e.g. uimodules.py:

```python
class Entry(tornado.web.UIModule):
    def render(self, entry, show_comments=False):
        return self.render_string("module-entry.html", entry=entry, show_comments=show_comments)
```

Tell Tornado to use uimodules.py using the ui_modules setting in your application:

```python
from . import uimodules

class HomeHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        entries = self.db.query("SELECT * FROM entries ORDER BY date DESC")
        self.render("home.html", entries=entries)

class EntryHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self, entry_id):
        entry = self.db.get("SELECT * FROM entries WHERE id = %s", entry_id)
        if not entry:
            raise tornado.web.HTTPError(404)
        self.render("entry.html", entry=entry)

settings = {
    "ui_modules": uimodules,
}
application = tornado.web.Application([(
    r"/", HomeHandler),
    (r"/entry/(\d+)\", EntryHandler),
], **settings)
```

Within a template, you can call a module with the `{% module %}` statement. For example, you could call the Entry module from both home.html:

```html
{% for entry in entries %}
{% module Entry(entry) %}
{% end %}
```

and entry.html:

```html
{% module Entry(entry, show_comments=True) %}
```

Modules can include custom CSS and JavaScript functions by overriding the embedded_css, embedded_javascript, javascript_files, or css_files methods:

```python
class Entry(tornado.web.UIModule):
    def embedded_css(self):
        return ".entry { margin-bottom: 1em; }
    def render(self, entry, show_comments=False):
```

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return self.render_string("module-entry.html", show_comments=show_comments)

Module CSS and JavaScript will be included once no matter how many times a module is used on a page. CSS is always included in the <head> of the page, and JavaScript is always included just before the </body> tag at the end of the page.

When additional Python code is not required, a template file itself may be used as a module. For example, the preceding example could be rewritten to put the following in module-entry.html:

{{ set_resources(embedded_css=".entry { margin-bottom: 1em; }") }}
<!-- more template html... -->

This revised template module would be invoked with:

{% module Template("module-entry.html", show_comments=True) %}

The set_resources function is only available in templates invoked via {% module Template(...) %}. Unlike the {% include ... %} directive, template modules have a distinct namespace from their containing template - they can only see the global template namespace and their own keyword arguments.

6.1.7 Authentication and security

Cookies and secure cookies

You can set cookies in the user’s browser with the set_cookie method:

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        if not self.get_cookie("mycookie"):
            self.set_cookie("mycookie", "myvalue")
            self.write("Your cookie was not set yet!")
        else:
            self.write("Your cookie was set!")

Cookies are not secure and can easily be modified by clients. If you need to set cookies to, e.g., identify the currently logged in user, you need to sign your cookies to prevent forgery. Tornado supports signed cookies with the set_secure_cookie and get_secure_cookie methods. To use these methods, you need to specify a secret key named cookie_secret when you create your application. You can pass in application settings as keyword arguments to your application:

application = tornado.web.Application([
    (r"/", MainHandler),
], cookie_secret="__TODO:_GENERATE_YOUR_OWN_RANDOM_VALUE_HERE__")

Signed cookies contain the encoded value of the cookie in addition to a timestamp and an HMAC signature. If the cookie is old or if the signature doesn’t match, get_secure_cookie will return None just as if the cookie isn’t set. The secure version of the example above:

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        if not self.get_secure_cookie("mycookie"):
            self.set_secure_cookie("mycookie", "myvalue")
            self.write("Your cookie was not set yet!")

(continues on next page)
else:
    self.write("Your cookie was set!")

Tornado’s secure cookies guarantee integrity but not confidentiality. That is, the cookie cannot be modified but its contents can be seen by the user. The cookie_secret is a symmetric key and must be kept secret – anyone who obtains the value of this key could produce their own signed cookies.

By default, Tornado’s secure cookies expire after 30 days. To change this, use the expires_days keyword argument to set_secure_cookie and the max_age_days argument to get_secure_cookie. These two values are passed separately so that you may e.g. have a cookie that is valid for 30 days for most purposes, but for certain sensitive actions (such as changing billing information) you use a smaller max_age_days when reading the cookie.

Tornado also supports multiple signing keys to enable signing key rotation. cookie_secret then must be a dict with integer key versions as keys and the corresponding secrets as values. The currently used signing key must then be set as key_version application setting but all other keys in the dict are allowed for cookie signature validation, if the correct key version is set in the cookie. To implement cookie updates, the current signing key version can be queried via get_secure_cookie_key_version.

User authentication

The currently authenticated user is available in every request handler as self.current_user, and in every template as current_user. By default, current_user is None.

To implement user authentication in your application, you need to override the get_current_user() method in your request handlers to determine the current user based on, e.g., the value of a cookie. Here is an example that lets users log into the application simply by specifying a nickname, which is then saved in a cookie:

```python
class BaseHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get_current_user(self):
        return self.get_secure_cookie("user")

class MainHandler(BaseHandler):
    def get(self):
        if not self.current_user:
            self.redirect("/login")
        return
        name = tornado.escape.xhtml_escape(self.current_user)
        self.write("Hello, " + name)

class LoginHandler(BaseHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write('<html><body><form action="/login" method="post">'
            'Name: <input type="text" name="name">'
            '<input type="submit" value="Sign in">'
            '</form></body></html>"
            )

    def post(self):
        self.set_secure_cookie("user", self.get_argument("name"))
        self.redirect="/"

application = tornado.web.Application(["r="/", MainHandler),
    ("r="/login", LoginHandler),
], cookie_secret="__REPLACE_THIS_VALUE_WITH_YOUR_OWN_RANDOM_VALUE_HERE__")

You can require that the user be logged in using the Python decorator tornado.web.authenticated. If a
request goes to a method with this decorator, and the user is not logged in, they will be redirected to login_url (another application setting). The example above could be rewritten:

```python
class MainHandler(BaseHandler):
    @tornado.web.authenticated
def get(self):
        name = tornado.escape.xhtml_escape(self.current_user)
        self.write("Hello, " + name)

settings = {
    "cookie_secret": "__TODO:\_\_\_GENERATE\_\_\_YOUR\_\_\_OWN\_\_\_RANDOM\_\_\_VALUE\_\_\_HERE\_\_\_", 
    "login_url": "/login",
}
application = tornado.web.Application([ 
    (r"\*/", MainHandler),
    (r"/login", LoginHandler),
], **settings)
```

If you decorate `post()` methods with the `authenticated` decorator, and the user is not logged in, the server will send a 403 response. The `@authenticated` decorator is simply shorthand for `if not self.current_user: self.redirect()` and may not be appropriate for non-browser-based login schemes.

Check out the Tornado Blog example application for a complete example that uses authentication (and stores user data in a PostgreSQL database).

### Third party authentication

The `tornado.auth` module implements the authentication and authorization protocols for a number of the most popular sites on the web, including Google/Gmail, Facebook, Twitter, and FriendFeed. The module includes methods to log users in via these sites and, where applicable, methods to authorize access to the service so you can, e.g., download a user’s address book or publish a Twitter message on their behalf.

Here is an example handler that uses Google for authentication, saving the Google credentials in a cookie for later access:

```python
class GoogleOAuth2LoginHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, 
tornado.auth.GoogleOAuth2Mixin):
    async def get(self):
        if self.get_argument('code', False):
            user = await self.get_authenticated_user( 
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                code=self.get_argument('code'))
            # Save the user with e.g. set_secure_cookie
        else:
            await self.authorize_redirect( 
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                client_id=self.settings['google_oauth']['key'],
                scope=['profile', 'email'],
                response_type='code',
                extra_params={'approval_prompt': 'auto'})

See the `tornado.auth` module documentation for more details.
Cross-site request forgery protection

Cross-site request forgery, or XSRF, is a common problem for personalized web applications. See the Wikipedia article for more information on how XSRF works.

The generally accepted solution to prevent XSRF is to cookie every user with an unpredictable value and include that value as an additional argument with every form submission on your site. If the cookie and the value in the form submission do not match, then the request is likely forged.

Tornado comes with built-in XSRF protection. To include it in your site, include the application setting `xsrf_cookies`:

```python
settings = {
    "cookie_secret": "__TODO:_GENERATE_YOUR_OWN_RANDOM_VALUE_HERE__",
    "login_url": "/login",
    "xsrf_cookies": True,
}
application = tornado.web.Application([(
    r"/", MainHandler),
    (r"/login", LoginHandler),
], **settings)
```

If `xsrf_cookies` is set, the Tornado web application will set the `_xsrf` cookie for all users and reject all POST, PUT, and DELETE requests that do not contain a correct _xsrf value. If you turn this setting on, you need to instrument all forms that submit via POST to contain this field. You can do this with the special `UiModule xsrf_form_html()` function available in all templates:

```html
<form action="/new_message" method="post">
    {% module xsrf_form_html() %}
    <input type="text" name="message"/>
    <input type="submit" value="Post"/>
</form>
```

If you submit AJAX POST requests, you will also need to instrument your JavaScript to include the _xsrf value with each request. This is the jQuery function we use at FriendFeed for AJAX POST requests that automatically adds the _xsrf value to all requests:

```javascript
function getCookie(name) {
    var r = document.cookie.match("\b" + name + "=([^;]*)\b");
    return r ? r[1] : undefined;
}
jQuery.postJSON = function(url, args, callback) {
    args._xsrf = getCookie("_xsrf");
    $.ajax({url: url, data: $.param(args), dataType: "text", type: "POST",
        success: function(response) {
            callback(eval("(" + response + ")"));
        }});
};
```

For PUT and DELETE requests (as well as POST requests that do not use form-encoded arguments), the XSRF token may also be passed via an HTTP header named X-XSRFToken. The XSRF cookie is normally set when `xsrf_form_html` is used, but in a pure-JavaScript application that does not use any regular forms you may need to access `self.xsrf_token` manually (just reading the property is enough to set the cookie as a side effect).

If you need to customize XSRF behavior on a per-handler basis, you can override `RequestHandler.check_xsrf_cookie()`. For example, if you have an API whose authentication does not use cookies, you may want to disable XSRF protection by making `check_xsrf_cookie()` do nothing. However, if you support both
cookie and non-cookie-based authentication, it is important that XSRF protection be used whenever the current request is authenticated with a cookie.

DNS Rebinding

DNS rebinding is an attack that can bypass the same-origin policy and allow external sites to access resources on private networks. This attack involves a DNS name (with a short TTL) that alternates between returning an IP address controlled by the attacker and one controlled by the victim (often a guessable private IP address such as 127.0.0.1 or 192.168.1.1).

Applications that use TLS are not vulnerable to this attack (because the browser will display certificate mismatch warnings that block automated access to the target site).

Applications that cannot use TLS and rely on network-level access controls (for example, assuming that a server on 127.0.0.1 can only be accessed by the local machine) should guard against DNS rebinding by validating the Host HTTP header. This means passing a restrictive hostname pattern to either a HostMatches router or the first argument of Application.add_handlers:

```
# BAD: uses a default host pattern of r'\.*'
app = Application([('/foo', FooHandler)])

# GOOD: only matches localhost or its ip address.
app = Application()
app.add_handlers(r'(localhost|127\.0\.0\.1)',
    [('/foo', FooHandler)])

# GOOD: same as previous example using tornado.routing.
app = Application([
    (HostMatches(r'(localhost|127\.0\.0\.1)'),
    [('/foo', FooHandler)]),
])
```

In addition, the default_host argument to Application and the DefaultHostMatches router must not be used in applications that may be vulnerable to DNS rebinding, because it has a similar effect to a wildcard host pattern.

6.1.8 Running and deploying

Since Tornado supplies its own HTTPServer, running and deploying it is a little different from other Python web frameworks. Instead of configuring a WSGI container to find your application, you write a main() function that starts the server:

```
def main():
    app = make_app()
    app.listen(8888)
    IOLoop.current().start()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

Configure your operating system or process manager to run this program to start the server. Please note that it may be necessary to increase the number of open files per process (to avoid “Too many open files”-Error). To raise this limit (setting it to 50000 for example) you can use the ulimit command, modify /etc/security/limits.conf or set minfds in your supervisord config.
Processes and ports

Due to the Python GIL (Global Interpreter Lock), it is necessary to run multiple Python processes to take full advantage of multi-CPU machines. Typically it is best to run one process per CPU.

Tornado includes a built-in multi-process mode to start several processes at once (note that multi-process mode does not work on Windows). This requires a slight alteration to the standard main function:

```python
def main():
    app = make_app()
    server = tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer(app)
    server.bind(8888)
    server.start(0)  # forks one process per cpu
    IOLoop.current().start()
```

This is the easiest way to start multiple processes and have them all share the same port, although it has some limitations. First, each child process will have its own IOLoop, so it is important that nothing touches the global IOLoop instance (even indirectly) before the fork. Second, it is difficult to do zero-downtime updates in this model. Finally, since all the processes share the same port it is more difficult to monitor them individually.

For more sophisticated deployments, it is recommended to start the processes independently, and have each one listen on a different port. The “process groups” feature of supervisord is one good way to arrange this. When each process uses a different port, an external load balancer such as HAProxy or nginx is usually needed to present a single address to outside visitors.

Running behind a load balancer

When running behind a load balancer like nginx, it is recommended to pass xheaders=True to the HTTPServer constructor. This will tell Tornado to use headers like X-Real-IP to get the user’s IP address instead of attributing all traffic to the balancer’s IP address.

This is a barebones nginx config file that is structurally similar to the one we use at FriendFeed. It assumes nginx and the Tornado servers are running on the same machine, and the four Tornado servers are running on ports 8000 - 8003:

```config
user nginx;
worker_processes 1;
error_log /var/log/nginx/error.log;
pid /var/run/nginx.pid;

events {
    worker_connections 1024;
    use epoll;
}

http {
    # Enumerate all the Tornado servers here
    upstream frontends {
        server 127.0.0.1:8000;
        server 127.0.0.1:8001;
        server 127.0.0.1:8002;
        server 127.0.0.1:8003;
    }

    include /etc/nginx/mime.types;
default_type application/octet-stream;
}
```

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access_log /var/log/nginx/access.log;
keepalive_timeout 65;
proxy_read_timeout 200;
sendfile on;
tcp_nopush on;
tcp_nodelay on;
gzip on;
gzip_min_length 1000;
gzip_proxied any;
gzip_types text/plain text/html text/css text/xml
  application/x-javascript application/xml
  application/atom+xml text/javascript;

# Only retry if there was a communication error, not a timeout
# on the Tornado server (to avoid propagating "queries of death"
# to all frontends)
proxy_next_upstream error;

server {
  listen 80;

  # Allow file uploads
  client_max_body_size 50M;

  location ^~ /static/ {
    root /var/www;
    if ($query_string) {
      expires max;
    }
  }

  location = /favicon.ico {
    rewrite (.*) /static/favicon.ico;
  }

  location = /robots.txt {
    rewrite (.*) /static/robots.txt;
  }

  location / {
    proxy_pass_header Server;
    proxy_set_header Host $http_host;
    proxy_redirect off;
    proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
    proxy_set_header X-Scheme $scheme;
    proxy_pass http://frontends;
  }
}
}
Static files and aggressive file caching

You can serve static files from Tornado by specifying the `static_path` setting in your application:

```python
settings = {
    "static_path": os.path.join(os.path.dirname(__file__), "static"),
    "cookie_secret": "__TODO:_GENERATE_YOUR_OWN_RANDOM_VALUE_HERE__",
    "login_url": "/login",
    "xsrf_cookies": True,
}

application = tornado.web.Application(["/(.*)", MainHandler],
    )(r"/(.*)", LoginHandler),
    )(r"/(apple-touch-icon\.(png))", tornado.web.StaticFileHandler,
        dict(path=settings['static_path'])),
], **settings)
```

This setting will automatically make all requests that start with `/static/` serve from that static directory, e.g. `http://localhost:8888/static/foo.png` will serve the file `foo.png` from the specified static directory. We also automatically serve `/robots.txt` and `/favicon.ico` from the static directory (even though they don’t start with the `/static/` prefix).

In the above settings, we have explicitly configured Tornado to serve `apple-touch-icon.png` from the root with the `StaticFileHandler`, though it is physically in the static file directory. (The capturing group in that regular expression is necessary to tell `StaticFileHandler` the requested filename; recall that capturing groups are passed to handlers as method arguments.) You could do the same thing to serve e.g. `sitemap.xml` from the site root. Of course, you can also avoid faking a root `apple-touch-icon.png` by using the appropriate `<link />` tag in your HTML.

To improve performance, it is generally a good idea for browsers to cache static resources aggressively so browsers won’t send unnecessary `If-Modified-Since` or `Etag` requests that might block the rendering of the page. Tornado supports this out of the box with static content versioning.

To use this feature, use the `static_url` method in your templates rather than typing the URL of the static file directly in your HTML:

```html
<html>
<head>
  <title>FriendFeed - {{ _('Home') }}}}</title>
</head>
<body>
  <div><img src="{{ static_url("images/logo.png") }}"></div>
</body>
</html>
```

The `static_url()` function will translate that relative path to a URI that looks like `/static/images/logo.png?v=aae54`. The `v` argument is a hash of the content in `logo.png`, and its presence makes the Tornado server send cache headers to the user’s browser that will make the browser cache the content indefinitely.

Since the `v` argument is based on the content of the file, if you update a file and restart your server, it will start sending a new `v` value, so the user’s browser will automatically fetch the new file. If the file’s contents don’t change, the browser will continue to use a locally cached copy without ever checking for updates on the server, significantly improving rendering performance.

In production, you probably want to serve static files from a more optimized static file server like `nginx`. You can configure almost any web server to recognize the version tags used by `static_url()` and set caching headers accordingly. Here is the relevant portion of the `nginx` configuration we use at FriendFeed:
Debug mode and automatic reloading

If you pass debug=True to the Application constructor, the app will be run in debug/development mode. In this mode, several features intended for convenience while developing will be enabled (each of which is also available as an individual flag; if both are specified the individual flag takes precedence):

- **autoreload=True**: The app will watch for changes to its source files and reload itself when anything changes. This reduces the need to manually restart the server during development. However, certain failures (such as syntax errors at import time) can still take the server down in a way that debug mode cannot currently recover from.

- **compiled_template_cache=False**: Templates will not be cached.

- **static_hash_cache=False**: Static file hashes (used by the static_url function) will not be cached.

- **serve_traceback=True**: When an exception in a RequestHandler is not caught, an error page including a stack trace will be generated.

Autoreload mode is not compatible with the multi-process mode of HTTPServer. You must not give HTTPServer.start an argument other than 1 (or call tornado.process.fork_processes) if you are using autoreload mode.

The automatic reloading feature of debug mode is available as a standalone module in tornado.autoreload. The two can be used in combination to provide extra robustness against syntax errors: set autoreload=True within the app to detect changes while it is running, and start it with python -m tornado.autoreload myserver.py to catch any syntax errors or other errors at startup.

Reloading loses any Python interpreter command-line arguments (e.g. -u) because it re-executes Python using sys.executable and sys.argv. Additionally, modifying these variables will cause reloading to behave incorrectly.

On some platforms (including Windows and Mac OSX prior to 10.6), the process cannot be updated “in-place”, so when a code change is detected the old server exits and a new one starts. This has been known to confuse some IDEs.

6.2 Web framework

6.2.1 tornado.web — RequestHandler and Application classes

tornado.web provides a simple web framework with asynchronous features that allow it to scale to large numbers of open connections, making it ideal for long polling.

Here is a simple “Hello, world” example app:

```python
import tornado.ioloop
import tornado.web

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        self.write("Hello, world")
```

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if __name__ == "__main__":
    application = tornado.web.Application([r"/", MainHandler],
    application.listen(8888)
tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()

See the User's guide for additional information.

Thread-safety notes

In general, methods on RequestHandler and elsewhere in Tornado are not thread-safe. In particular, methods such as write(), finish(), and flush() must only be called from the main thread. If you use multiple threads it is important to use IOLoop.add_callback to transfer control back to the main thread before finishing the request, or to limit your use of other threads to IOLoop.run_in_executor and ensure that your callbacks running in the executor do not refer to Tornado objects.

Request handlers

class tornado.web.RequestHandler(...)
    Base class for HTTP request handlers.
    Subclasses must define at least one of the methods defined in the “Entry points” section below.
    Applications should not construct RequestHandler objects directly and subclasses should not override __init__ (override initialize instead).

Entry points

RequestHandler.initialize() → None
    Hook for subclass initialization. Called for each request.
    A dictionary passed as the third argument of a URLSpec will be supplied as keyword arguments to initialize().
    Example:

    class ProfileHandler(RequestHandler):
        def initialize(self, database):
            self.database = database
        def get(self, username):
            ...
    app = Application([
        r'/user/(.*)', ProfileHandler, dict(database=database)),
    ])

RequestHandler.prepare() → Optional[Awaitable[None]]
    Called at the beginning of a request before get/post/etc.
    Override this method to perform common initialization regardless of the request method.
Asynchronous support: Use async def or decorate this method with `gen.coroutine` to make it asynchronous. If this method returns an Awaitable execution will not proceed until the Awaitable is done.

New in version 3.1: Asynchronous support.

```python
class WebDAVHandler(RequestHandler):
    SUPPORTED_METHODS = RequestHandler.SUPPORTED_METHODS + ('PROPFIND',)

    def propfind(self):
        pass
```

Implement any of the following methods (collectively known as the HTTP verb methods) to handle the corresponding HTTP method. These methods can be made asynchronous with the async def keyword or `gen.coroutine` decorator.

The arguments to these methods come from the `URLSpec`: Any capturing groups in the regular expression become arguments to the HTTP verb methods (keyword arguments if the group is named, positional arguments if it’s unnamed).

To support a method not on this list, override the class variable `SUPPORTED_METHODS`:

```python
class WebDAVHandler(RequestHandler):
    SUPPORTED_METHODS = RequestHandler.SUPPORTED_METHODS + ('PROPFIND',)

    def propfind(self):
        pass
```

**Input**

The argument methods provide support for HTML form-style arguments. These methods are available in both singular and plural forms because HTML forms are ambiguous and do not distinguish between a singular argument and a list containing one entry. If you wish to use other formats for arguments (for example, JSON), parse `self.request.body` yourself:

```python
def prepare(self):
    if self.request.headers['Content-Type'] == 'application/x-json':
        self.args = json_decode(self.request.body)
    # Access self.args directly instead of using self.get_argument.
```

```python
RequestHandler.get_argument(name: str, default: str, strip: bool = True) -> str
RequestHandler.get_argument(name: str, default: tornado.web._ArgDefaultMarker = 'ARG_DEFAULT', strip: bool = True) -> str
RequestHandler.get_argument(name: str, default: None, strip: bool = True) -> Optional[str]
```

Returns the value of the argument with the given name.

If default is not provided, the argument is considered to be required, and we raise a `MissingArgumentError` if it is missing.
If the argument appears in the request more than once, we return the last value.

This method searches both the query and body arguments.

RequestHandler.get_arguments(name: str, strip: bool = True) → List[str]
Returns a list of the arguments with the given name.
If the argument is not present, returns an empty list.
This method searches both the query and body arguments.

RequestHandler.get_query_argument(name: str, default: Union[None, str, RAISE] = RAISE, strip: bool = True) → Optional[str]
Returns the value of the argument with the given name from the request query string.
If default is not provided, the argument is considered to be required, and we raise a MissingArgumentError if it is missing.
If the argument appears in the url more than once, we return the last value.
New in version 3.2.

RequestHandler.get_query_arguments(name: str, strip: bool = True) → List[str]
Returns a list of the query arguments with the given name.
If the argument is not present, returns an empty list.
New in version 3.2.

RequestHandler.get_body_argument(name: str, default: Union[None, str, RAISE] = RAISE, strip: bool = True) → Optional[str]
Returns the value of the argument with the given name from the request body.
If default is not provided, the argument is considered to be required, and we raise a MissingArgumentError if it is missing.
If the argument appears in the url more than once, we return the last value.
New in version 3.2.

RequestHandler.get_body_arguments(name: str, strip: bool = True) → List[str]
Returns a list of the body arguments with the given name.
If the argument is not present, returns an empty list.
New in version 3.2.

RequestHandler.decode_argument(value: bytes, name: Optional[str] = None) → str
Decodes an argument from the request.
The argument has been percent-decoded and is now a byte string. By default, this method decodes the argument as utf-8 and returns a unicode string, but this may be overridden in subclasses.
This method is used as a filter for both get_argument() and for values extracted from the url and passed to get() / post() / etc.
The name of the argument is provided if known, but may be None (e.g. for unnamed groups in the url regex).

RequestHandler.request
The tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest object containing additional request parameters including e.g. headers and body data.

RequestHandler.path_args
RequestHandler.path_kwargs
The path_args and path_kwargs attributes contain the positional and keyword arguments that are passed
to the *HTTP verb methods*. These attributes are set before those methods are called, so the values are available during *prepare*.

**Output**

**RequestHandler**. `set_status` *(status_code: int, reason: Optional[str] = None) → None*

Sets the status code for our response.

- **Parameters**
  - `status_code` *(int)* – Response status code.
  - `reason` *(str)* – Human-readable reason phrase describing the status code. If None, it will be filled in from `http.client.responses` or “Unknown”.

Changed in version 5.0: No longer validates that the response code is in `http.client.responses`.

**RequestHandler**. `set_header` *(name: str, value: Union[bytes, str, int, numbers.Integral, datetime.datetime]) → None*

Sets the given response header name and value.

All header values are converted to strings (datetime objects are formatted according to the HTTP specification for the Date header).

**RequestHandler**. `add_header` *(name: str, value: Union[bytes, str, int, numbers.Integral, datetime.datetime]) → None*

Adds the given response header and value.

Unlike `set_header`, `add_header` may be called multiple times to return multiple values for the same header.

**RequestHandler**. `clear_header` *(name: str) → None*

Clears an outgoing header, undoing a previous `set_header` call.

Note that this method does not apply to multi-valued headers set by `add_header`.

**RequestHandler**. `set_default_headers` () → None

Override this to set HTTP headers at the beginning of the request.

For example, this is the place to set a custom Server header. Note that setting such headers in the normal flow of request processing may not do what you want, since headers may be reset during error handling.

**RequestHandler**. `write` *(chunk: Union[str, bytes, dict]) → None*

Writes the given chunk to the output buffer.

To write the output to the network, use the `flush()` method below.

If the given chunk is a dictionary, we write it as JSON and set the Content-Type of the response to be `application/json`. (if you want to send JSON as a different Content-Type, call `set_header` after calling `write()`).

Note that lists are not converted to JSON because of a potential cross-site security vulnerability. All JSON output should be wrapped in a dictionary. More details at [http://haacked.com/archive/2009/06/25/json-hijacking.aspx](http://haacked.com/archive/2009/06/25/json-hijacking.aspx) and [https://github.com/facebook/tornado/issues/1009](https://github.com/facebook/tornado/issues/1009)
RequestHandler.flush (include_footers: bool = False) → Future[None]
Flushes the current output buffer to the network.

Changed in version 4.0: Now returns a Future if no callback is given.
Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed.

RequestHandler.finish (chunk: Optional[Union[str, bytes, dict]] = None) → Future[None]
Finishes this response, ending the HTTP request.

Passing a chunk to finish() is equivalent to passing that chunk to write() and then calling finish() with no arguments.

Returns a Future which may optionally be awaited to track the sending of the response to the client. This Future resolves when all the response data has been sent, and raises an error if the connection is closed before all data can be sent.

Changed in version 5.1: Now returns a Future instead of None.

RequestHandler.render (template_name: str, **kwargs: Any) → Future[None]
Renders the template with the given arguments as the response.

render() calls finish(), so no other output methods can be called after it.

Returns a Future with the same semantics as the one returned by finish. Awaiting this Future is optional.

Changed in version 5.1: Now returns a Future instead of None.

RequestHandler.render_string (template_name: str, **kwargs: Any) → bytes
Generate the given template with the given arguments.

We return the generated byte string (in utf8). To generate and write a template as a response, use render() above.

RequestHandler.get_template_namespace () → Dict[str, Any]
Returns a dictionary to be used as the default template namespace.

May be overridden by subclasses to add or modify values.

The results of this method will be combined with additional defaults in the tornado.template module and keyword arguments to render or render_string.

RequestHandler.redirect (url: str, permanent: bool = False, status: Optional[int] = None) → None
Sends a redirect to the given (optionally relative) URL.

If the status argument is specified, that value is used as the HTTP status code; otherwise either 301 (permanent) or 302 (temporary) is chosen based on the permanent argument. The default is 302 (temporary).

RequestHandler.send_error (status_code: int = 500, **kwargs: Any) → None
Sends the given HTTP error code to the browser.

If flush() has already been called, it is not possible to send an error, so this method will simply terminate the response. If output has been written but not yet flushed, it will be discarded and replaced with the error page.

Override write_error() to customize the error page that is returned. Additional keyword arguments are passed through to write_error.

RequestHandler.write_error (status_code: int, **kwargs: Any) → None
Override to implement custom error pages.

write_error may call write, render, set_header, etc to produce output as usual.

If this error was caused by an uncaught exception (including HTTPError), an exc_info triple will be available as kwargs["exc_info"]. Note that this exception may not be the “current” exception for purposes of methods like sys.exc_info() or traceback.format_exc.
RequestHandler.clear() → None
Resets all headers and content for this response.

RequestHandler.render_linked_js(js_files: Iterable[str]) → str
Default method used to render the final js links for the rendered webpage.
Override this method in a sub-classed controller to change the output.

RequestHandler.render_embed_js(js_embed: Iterable[bytes]) → bytes
Default method used to render the final embedded js for the rendered webpage.
Override this method in a sub-classed controller to change the output.

RequestHandler.render_linked_css(css_files: Iterable[str]) → str
Default method used to render the final css links for the rendered webpage.
Override this method in a sub-classed controller to change the output.

RequestHandler.render_embed_css(css_embed: Iterable[bytes]) → bytes
Default method used to render the final embedded css for the rendered webpage.
Override this method in a sub-classed controller to change the output.

Cookies

RequestHandler.cookies
An alias for self.request.cookies.

RequestHandler.get_cookie(name: str, default: Optional[str] = None) → Optional[str]
Returns the value of the request cookie with the given name.
If the named cookie is not present, returns default.
This method only returns cookies that were present in the request. It does not see the outgoing cookies set by set_cookie in this handler.

RequestHandler.set_cookie(name: str, value: Union[str, bytes], domain: Optional[str] = None, expires: Optional[Union[float, Tuple, datetime.datetime]] = None, path: str = '/', expires_days: Optional[float] = None, **kwargs: Any) → None
Sets an outgoing cookie name/value with the given options.
Newly-set cookies are not immediately visible via get_cookie; they are not present until the next request.
expires may be a numeric timestamp as returned by time.time, a time tuple as returned by time.gmtime, or a datetime.datetime object.
Additional keyword arguments are set on the cookies.Morsel directly. See https://docs.python.org/3/library/http.cookies.html#http.cookies.Morsel for available attributes.

RequestHandler.clear_cookie(name: str, path: str = '/', domain: Optional[str] = None) → None
Deletes the cookie with the given name.
Due to limitations of the cookie protocol, you must pass the same path and domain to clear a cookie as were used when that cookie was set (but there is no way to find out on the server side which values were used for a given cookie).
Similar to set_cookie, the effect of this method will not be seen until the following request.

RequestHandler.clear_all_cookies(path: str = '/', domain: Optional[str] = None) → None
Deletes all the cookies the user sent with this request.
See clear_cookie for more information on the path and domain parameters.
Similar to `set_cookie`, the effect of this method will not be seen until the following request.

Changed in version 3.2: Added the `path` and `domain` parameters.

```python
RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie(name: str, value: Optional[str] = None, max_age_days: float = 31, min_version: Optional[int] = None) → Optional[bytes]
```

Returns the given signed cookie if it validates, or None.

The decoded cookie value is returned as a byte string (unlike `get_cookie`).

Similar to `get_cookie`, this method only returns cookies that were present in the request. It does not see outgoing cookies set by `set_secure_cookie` in this handler.

Changed in version 3.2.1: Added the `min_version` argument. Introduced cookie version 2; both versions 1 and 2 are accepted by default.

```python
RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie_key_version(name: str, value: Optional[str] = None) → Optional[int]
```

Returns the signing key version of the secure cookie.

The version is returned as int.

```python
RequestHandler.set_secure_cookie(name: str, value: Union[str, bytes], expires_days: Optional[float] = 30, version: Optional[int] = None, **kwargs: Any) → None
```

Signs and timestamps a cookie so it cannot be forged.

You must specify the `cookie_secret` setting in your Application to use this method. It should be a long, random sequence of bytes to be used as the HMAC secret for the signature.

To read a cookie set with this method, use `get_secure_cookie()`.

Note that the `expires_days` parameter sets the lifetime of the cookie in the browser, but is independent of the `max_age_days` parameter to `get_secure_cookie`. A value of None limits the lifetime to the current browser session.

Secure cookies may contain arbitrary byte values, not just unicode strings (unlike regular cookies).

Similar to `set_cookie`, the effect of this method will not be seen until the following request.

Changed in version 3.2.1: Added the `version` argument. Introduced cookie version 2 and made it the default.

```python
RequestHandler.create_signed_value(name: str, value: Union[str, bytes], version: Optional[int] = None) → bytes
```

Signs and timestamps a string so it cannot be forged.

Normally used via `set_secure_cookie`, but provided as a separate method for non-cookie uses. To decode a value not stored as a cookie use the optional value argument to `get_secure_cookie`.

Changed in version 3.2.1: Added the `version` argument. Introduced cookie version 2 and made it the default.

```python
tornado.web.MIN_SUPPORTED_SIGNED_VALUE_VERSION = 1
```

The oldest signed value version supported by this version of Tornado.

Signed values older than this version cannot be decoded.

New in version 3.2.1.

```python
tornado.web.MAX_SUPPORTED_SIGNED_VALUE_VERSION = 2
```

The newest signed value version supported by this version of Tornado.

Signed values newer than this version cannot be decoded.

New in version 3.2.1.
tornado.web.DEFAULT_SIGNED_VALUE_VERSION = 2
The signed value version produced by RequestHandler.create_signed_value.
May be overridden by passing a version keyword argument.
New in version 3.2.1.
tornado.web.DEFAULT_SIGNED_VALUE_MIN_VERSION = 1
The oldest signed value accepted by RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie.
May be overridden by passing a min_version keyword argument.
New in version 3.2.1.

Other

RequestHandler.application
The Application object serving this request

RequestHandler.check_etag_header() → bool
Checks the Etag header against requests’s If-None-Match.

Returns True if the request’s Etag matches and a 304 should be returned. For example:

```python
self.set_etag_header()
if self.check_etag_header():
    self.set_status(304)
return
```

This method is called automatically when the request is finished, but may be called earlier for applications that override compute_etag and want to do an early check for If-None-Match before completing the request. The Etag header should be set (perhaps with set_etag_header) before calling this method.

RequestHandler.check_xsrf_cookie() → None
Verifies that the _xsrf cookie matches the _xsrf argument.
To prevent cross-site request forgery, we set an _xsrf cookie and include the same value as a non-cookie field with all POST requests. If the two do not match, we reject the form submission as a potential forgery.
The _xsrf value may be set as either a form field named _xsrf or in a custom HTTP header named X-XSRFToken or X-CSRFToken (the latter is accepted for compatibility with Django).
See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross-site_request_forgery

Changed in version 3.2.2: Added support for cookie version 2. Both versions 1 and 2 are supported.

RequestHandler.compute_etag() → Optional[str]
Computes the etag header to be used for this request.
By default uses a hash of the content written so far.
May be overridden to provide custom etag implementations, or may return None to disable tornado’s default etag support.

RequestHandler.create_template_loader(template_path: str) → tornado.template.BaseLoader
Returns a new template loader for the given path.
May be overridden by subclasses. By default returns a directory-based loader on the given path, using the autosescape and template_whitespace application settings. If a template_loader application setting is supplied, uses that instead.
**RequestHandler.current_user**

The authenticated user for this request.

This is set in one of two ways:

- A subclass may override `get_current_user()`, which will be called automatically the first time `self.current_user` is accessed. `get_current_user()` will only be called once per request, and is cached for future access:

```python
def get_current_user(self):
    user_cookie = self.get_secure_cookie("user")
    if user_cookie:
        return json.loads(user_cookie)
    return None
```

- It may be set as a normal variable, typically from an overridden `prepare()`:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def prepare(self):
    user_id_cookie = self.get_secure_cookie("user_id")
    if user_id_cookie:
        self.current_user = yield load_user(user_id_cookie)
```

Note that `prepare()` may be a coroutine while `get_current_user()` may not, so the latter form is necessary if loading the user requires asynchronous operations.

The user object may be any type of the application’s choosing.

**RequestHandler.detach() → tornado.iostream.IOStream**

Take control of the underlying stream.

Returns the underlying IOStream object and stops all further HTTP processing. Intended for implementing protocols like websockets that tunnel over an HTTP handshake.

This method is only supported when HTTP/1.1 is used.

New in version 5.1.

**RequestHandler.get_browserLocale() (default: str = 'en_US') → tornado.locale.Locale**

Determines the user’s locale from Accept-Language header.

See http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616/rfc2616-sec14.html#sec14.4

**RequestHandler.get_current_user() → Any**

Override to determine the current user from, e.g., a cookie.

This method may not be a coroutine.

**RequestHandler.get_login_url() → str**

Override to customize the login URL based on the request.

By default, we use the login_url application setting.

**RequestHandler.get_status() → int**

Returns the status code for our response.

**RequestHandler.get_template_path() → Optional[str]**

Override to customize template path for each handler.

By default, we use the template_path application setting. Return None to load templates relative to the calling file.
RequestHandler.get_user_locale() → Optional[tornado.locale.Locale]

Override to determine the locale from the authenticated user.

If None is returned, we fall back to get_browser_locale().

This method should return a tornado.locale.Locale object, most likely obtained via a call like tornado.locale.get("en")

RequestHandler.locale

The locale for the current session.

Determined by either get_user_locale, which you can override to set the locale based on, e.g., a user preference stored in a database, or get_browser_locale, which uses the Accept-Language header.

RequestHandler.log_exception(typ: Optional[Type[BaseException]], value: Optional[BaseException], tb: Optional[traceback]) → None

Override to customize logging of uncaught exceptions.

By default logs instances of HTTPError as warnings without stack traces (on the tornado.general logger), and all other exceptions as errors with stack traces (on the tornado.application logger).

New in version 3.1.

RequestHandler.on_connection_close() → None

Called in async handlers if the client closed the connection.

Override this to clean up resources associated with long-lived connections. Note that this method is called only if the connection was closed during asynchronous processing; if you need to do cleanup after every request override on_finish instead.

Proxies may keep a connection open for a time (perhaps indefinitely) after the client has gone away, so this method may not be called promptly after the end user closes their connection.

RequestHandler.require_setting(name: str, feature: str = 'this feature') → None

Raises an exception if the given app setting is not defined.

RequestHandler.reverse_url(name: str, *args: Any) → str

Alias for Application.reverse_url.

RequestHandler.set_etag_header() → None

Sets the response’s Etag header using self.compute_etag().

Note: no header will be set if compute_etag() returns None.

This method is called automatically when the request is finished.

RequestHandler.settings

An alias for self.application.settings.

RequestHandler.static_url(path: str, include_host: Optional[bool] = None, **kwargs: Any) → str

Returns a static URL for the given relative static file path.

This method requires you set the static_path setting in your application (which specifies the root directory of your static files).

This method returns a versioned url (by default appending ?v=<signature>), which allows the static files to be cached indefinitely. This can be disabled by passing include_version=False (in the default implementation; other static file implementations are not required to support this, but they may support other options).

By default this method returns URLs relative to the current host, but if include_host is true the URL returned will be absolute. If this handler has an include_host attribute, that value will be used as the default for all static_url calls that do not pass include_host as a keyword argument.
An HTML `<input/>` element to be included with all POST forms.

It defines the `_xsrf` input value, which we check on all POST requests to prevent cross-site request forgery. If you have set the `xsrf_cookies` application setting, you must include this HTML within all of your HTML forms.

In a template, this method should be called with `{% module xsrf_form_html() %}`

See `check_xsrf_cookie()` above for more information.

The XSRF-prevention token for the current user/session.

To prevent cross-site request forgery, we set an '_xsrf' cookie and include the same '_xsrf' value as an argument with all POST requests. If the two do not match, we reject the form submission as a potential forgery.

See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross-site_request_forgery

This property is of type `bytes`, but it contains only ASCII characters. If a character string is required, there is no need to base64-encode it; just decode the byte string as UTF-8.

Changed in version 3.2.2: The xsrf token will now be have a random mask applied in every request, which makes it safe to include the token in pages that are compressed. See http://breachattack.com for more information on the issue fixed by this change. Old (version 1) cookies will be converted to version 2 when this method is called unless the `xsrf_cookie_version` Application setting is set to 1.

Changed in version 4.3: The `xsrf_cookie_kwargs` Application setting may be used to supply additional cookie options (which will be passed directly to `set_cookie`). For example, `xsrf_cookie_kwargs=dict(secure=True, secure=True)` will set the `secure` and `httponly` flags on the `_xsrf` cookie.

A collection of request handlers that make up a web application.

Instances of this class are callable and can be passed directly to HTTPServer to serve the application:

```python
application = web.Application([(
    r"/", MainPageHandler),
])
http_server = httpserver.HTTPServer(application)
http_server.listen(8080)
io_loop = ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()
```

The constructor for this class takes in a list of `Rule` objects or tuples of values corresponding to the arguments of `Rule` constructor: `(matcher, target, [target_kwargs], [name])`, the values in square brackets being optional. The default matcher is `PathMatches`, so `(regexp, target)` tuples can also be used instead of `(PathMatches(regexp), target)`.

A common routing target is a `RequestHandler` subclass, but you can also use lists of rules as a target, which create a nested routing configuration:

```python
application = web.Application([
    (HostMatches("example.com"), [(
        r"/", MainPageHandler),
    ])
])
http_server.listen(8080)
io_loop = ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()
```
In addition to this you can use nested `Router` instances, `HTTPMessageDelegate` subclasses and callables as routing targets (see `routing` module docs for more information).

When we receive requests, we iterate over the list in order and instantiate an instance of the first request class whose regexp matches the request path. The request class can be specified as either a class object or a (fully-qualified) name.

A dictionary may be passed as the third element (`target_kwargs`) of the tuple, which will be used as keyword arguments to the handler's constructor and `initialize` method. This pattern is used for the `StaticFileHandler` in this example (note that a `StaticFileHandler` can be installed automatically with the `static_path` setting described below):

```python
application = web.Application(
    [  
      (r"/static/(.*)", web.StaticFileHandler, {"path": "/var/www"}),  
    ],
)
```

We support virtual hosts with the `add_handlers` method, which takes in a host regular expression as the first argument:

```python
application.add_handlers(r"www\.(?P<host>\w+).com", [  
    (r"/article/(\d+)/", ArticleHandler),  
  ])
```

If there's no match for the current request's host, then `default_host` parameter value is matched against host regular expressions.

**Warning:** Applications that do not use TLS may be vulnerable to DNS rebinding attacks. This attack is especially relevant to applications that only listen on 127.0.0.1 or other private networks. Appropriate host patterns must be used (instead of the default of `r'.*'`) to prevent this risk. The `default_host` argument must not be used in applications that may be vulnerable to DNS rebinding.

You can serve static files by sending the `static_path` setting as a keyword argument. We will serve those files from the `/static/` URI (this is configurable with the `static_url_prefix` setting), and we will serve `/favicon.ico` and `/robots.txt` from the same directory. A custom subclass of `StaticFileHandler` can be specified with the `static_handler_class` setting.

**settings**

Additional keyword arguments passed to the constructor are saved in the `settings` dictionary, and are often referred to in documentation as “application settings”. Settings are used to customize various aspects of Tornado (although in some cases richer customization is possible by overriding methods in a subclass of `RequestHandler`). Some applications also like to use the `settings` dictionary as a way to make application-specific settings available to handlers without using global variables. Settings used in Tornado are described below.

General settings:

- `autoreload`: If `True`, the server process will restart when any source files change, as described in *Debug mode and automatic reloading*. This option is new in Tornado 3.2; previously this functionality was controlled by the `debug` setting.
• **debug**: Shorthand for several debug mode settings, described in *Debug mode and automatic reloading*. Setting `debug=True` is equivalent to `autoreload=True`, `compiled_template_cache=False`, `static_hash_cache=False`, `serve_traceback=True`.

• **default_handler_class** and **default_handler_args**: This handler will be used if no other match is found; use this to implement custom 404 pages (new in Tornado 3.2).

• **compress_response**: If True, responses in textual formats will be compressed automatically. New in Tornado 4.0.

• **gzip**: Deprecated alias for `compress_response` since Tornado 4.0.

• **log_function**: This function will be called at the end of every request to log the result (with one argument, the `RequestHandler` object). The default implementation writes to the `logging` module’s root logger. May also be customized by overriding `Application.log_request`.

• **serve_traceback**: If True, the default error page will include the traceback of the error. This option is new in Tornado 3.2; previously this functionality was controlled by the `debug` setting.

• **ui_modules** and **ui_methods**: May be set to a mapping of `UIModule` or UI methods to be made available to templates. May be set to a module, dictionary, or a list of modules and/or dicts. See *UI modules* for more details.

• **websocket_ping_interval**: If set to a number, all websockets will be pinged every n seconds. This can help keep the connection alive through certain proxy servers which close idle connections, and it can detect if the websocket has failed without being properly closed.

• **websocket_ping_timeout**: If the ping interval is set, and the server doesn’t receive a ‘pong’ in this many seconds, it will close the websocket. The default is three times the ping interval, with a minimum of 30 seconds. Ignored if the ping interval is not set.

**Authentication and security settings:**

• **cookie_secret**: Used by `RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie` and `set_secure_cookie` to sign cookies.

• **key_version**: Used by `RequestHandler.set_secure_cookie` to sign cookies with a specific key when `cookie_secret` is a key dictionary.

• **login_url**: The `authenticated` decorator will redirect to this url if the user is not logged in. Can be further customized by overriding `RequestHandler.get_login_url`.

• **xsrf_cookies**: If True, *Cross-site request forgery protection* will be enabled.

• **xsrf_cookie_version**: Controls the version of new XSRF cookies produced by this server. Should generally be left at the default (which will always be the highest supported version), but may be set to a lower value temporarily during version transitions. New in Tornado 3.2.2, which introduced XSRF cookie version 2.

• **xsrf_cookie_kwargs**: May be set to a dictionary of additional arguments to be passed to `RequestHandler.set_cookie` for the XSRF cookie.

• **twitter_consumer_key**, **twitter_consumer_secret**, **friendfeed_consumer_key**, **friendfeed_consumer_secret**, **google_consumer_key**, **google_consumer_secret**, **facebook_api_key**, **facebook_secret**: Used in the `tornado.auth` module to authenticate to various APIs.

**Template settings:**

• **autoescape**: Controls automatic escaping for templates. May be set to `None` to disable escaping, or to the `name` of a function that all output should be passed through. Defaults to "xhtml_escape". Can be changed on a per-template basis with the `{% autoescape %}` directive.
• compiled_template_cache: Default is True; if False templates will be recompiled on every request. This option is new in Tornado 3.2; previously this functionality was controlled by the debug setting.

• template_path: Directory containing template files. Can be further customized by overriding RequestHandler.get_template_path

• template_loader: Assign to an instance of tornado.template.BaseLoader to customize template loading. If this setting is used the template_path and autoescape settings are ignored. Can be further customized by overriding RequestHandler.create_template_loader.

• template_whitespace: Controls handling of whitespace in templates; see tornado.template.filter_whitespace for allowed values. New in Tornado 4.3.

Static file settings:

• static_hash_cache: Default is True; if False static urls will be recomputed on every request. This option is new in Tornado 3.2; previously this functionality was controlled by the debug setting.

• static_path: Directory from which static files will be served.

• static_url_prefix: Url prefix for static files, defaults to "/static/".

• static_handler_class, static_handler_args: May be set to use a different handler for static files instead of the default tornado.web.StaticFileHandler. static_handler_args, if set, should be a dictionary of keyword arguments to be passed to the handler’s initialize method.

Application.listen(port: int, address: str = '', **kwargs: Any) → tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer

Starts an HTTP server for this application on the given port. This is a convenience alias for creating an HTTPServer object and calling its listen method. Keyword arguments not supported by HTTPServer.listen are passed to the HTTPServer constructor. For advanced uses (e.g. multi-process mode), do not use this method; create an HTTPServer and call its TCPServer.bind/TCPserver.start methods directly.

Note that after calling this method you still need to call IOLoop.current().start() to start the server.

Returns the HTTPServer object.

Changed in version 4.3: Now returns the HTTPServer object.

Application.add_handlers(handlers: List[Union[Rule, Tuple]])

Appends the given handlers to our handler list.

Host patterns are processed sequentially in the order they were added. All matching patterns will be considered.

Application.get_handler_delegate(request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, target_class: Type[tornado.web.RequestHandler], target_kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, path_args: Optional[List[bytes]] = None, path_kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, bytes]] = None) → tornado.web._HandlerDelegate

Returns HTTPMessageDelegate that can serve a request for application and RequestHandler subclass.

Parameters

• request (httputil.HTTPServerRequest) – current HTTP request.

• target_class (RequestHandler) – a RequestHandler class.

• target_kwargs (dict) – keyword arguments for target_class constructor.

• path_args (list) – positional arguments for target_class HTTP method that will be executed while handling a request (get, post or any other).
• **path_kwargs** *(dict)* – keyword arguments for `target_class` HTTP method.

`Application.reverse_url(name: str, *args: Any) → str`

Returns a URL path for handler named `name`.

The handler must be added to the application as a named `URLSpec`.

Args will be substituted for capturing groups in the `URLSpec` regex. They will be converted to strings if necessary, encoded as utf8, and url-escaped.

`Application.log_request(handler: tornado.web.RequestHandler) → None`

Writes a completed HTTP request to the logs.

By default writes to the python root logger. To change this behavior either subclass Application and override this method, or pass a function in the application settings dictionary as `log_function`.

```python
class tornado.web.URLSpec(pattern: Union[str, Pattern], handler: Any, kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, name: Optional[str] = None)
```

Specifies mappings between URLs and handlers.

Parameters:

• **pattern**: Regular expression to be matched. Any capturing groups in the regex will be passed in to the handler’s get/post/etc methods as arguments (by keyword if named, by position if unnamed. Named and unnamed capturing groups may not be mixed in the same rule).

• **handler**: `RequestHandler` subclass to be invoked.

• **kwargs** *(optional)*: A dictionary of additional arguments to be passed to the handler’s constructor.

• **name** *(optional)*: A name for this handler. Used by `reverse_url`.

The `URLSpec` class is also available under the name `tornado.web.url`.

### Decorators

`tornado.web.authenticated(method: Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]) → Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]`

Decorate methods with this to require that the user be logged in.

If the user is not logged in, they will be redirected to the configured `login url`.

If you configure a login url with a query parameter, Tornado will assume you know what you’re doing and use it as-is. If not, it will add a `next` parameter so the login page knows where to send you once you’re logged in.

`tornado.web.addslash(method: Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]) → Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]`

Use this decorator to add a missing trailing slash to the request path.

For example, a request to `/foo` would redirect to `/foo/` with this decorator. Your request handler mapping should use a regular expression like `r'/foo/?'` in conjunction with using the decorator.

`tornado.web.removeslash(method: Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]) → Callable[..., Optional[Awaitable[None]]]`

Use this decorator to remove trailing slashes from the request path.

For example, a request to `/foo/` would redirect to `/foo` with this decorator. Your request handler mapping should use a regular expression like `r'/foo/*'` in conjunction with using the decorator.

`tornado.web.stream_request_body(cls: Type[tornado.web.RequestHandler]) → Type[tornado.web.RequestHandler]`

Apply to `RequestHandler` subclasses to enable streaming body support.

This decorator implies the following changes:
• **HTTPServerRequest.body** is undefined, and body arguments will not be included in `RequestHandler.get_argument`.

• **RequestHandler.prepare** is called when the request headers have been read instead of after the entire body has been read.

• The subclass must define a method `data_received(self, data):`, which will be called zero or more times as data is available. Note that if the request has an empty body, `data_received` may not be called.

• `prepare` and `data_received` may return Futures (such as via `@gen.coroutine`, in which case the next method will not be called until those futures have completed.

• The regular HTTP method (`post`, `put`, etc) will be called after the entire body has been read.

See the file `receiver demo` for example usage.

### Everything else

#### exception tornado.web.HTTPError

```
exception tornado.web.HTTPError (status_code: int = 500, log_message: Optional[str] = None, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
```

An exception that will turn into an HTTP error response.

Raising an **HTTPError** is a convenient alternative to calling `RequestHandler.send_error` since it automatically ends the current function.

To customize the response sent with an **HTTPError**, override `RequestHandler.write_error`.

**Parameters**

- **status_code** (`int`) – HTTP status code. Must be listed in `httpplib.responses` unless the reason keyword argument is given.

- **log_message** (`str`) – Message to be written to the log for this error (will not be shown to the user unless the **Application** is in debug mode). May contain `%s`-style placeholders, which will be filled in with remaining positional parameters.

- **reason** (`str`) – Keyword-only argument. The HTTP “reason” phrase to pass in the status line along with `status_code`. Normally determined automatically from `status_code`, but can be used to use a non-standard numeric code.

#### exception tornado.web.Finish

An exception that ends the request without producing an error response.

When **Finish** is raised in a **RequestHandler**, the request will end (calling `RequestHandler.finish` if it hasn’t already been called), but the error-handling methods (including `RequestHandler.write_error`) will not be called.

If **Finish()** was created with no arguments, the pending response will be sent as-is. If **Finish()** was given an argument, that argument will be passed to `RequestHandler.finish()`.

This can be a more convenient way to implement custom error pages than overriding `write_error` (especially in library code):

```
if self.current_user is None:
    self.set_status(401)
    self.set_header('WWW-Authenticate', 'Basic realm="something"')
    raise Finish()
```

Changed in version 4.3: Arguments passed to **Finish()** will be passed on to `RequestHandler.finish`.

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exception `tornado.web.MissingArgumentError(arg_name: str)`

Exception raised by `RequestHandler.get_argument`.

This is a subclass of `HTTPError`, so if it is uncaught a 400 response code will be used instead of 500 (and a stack trace will not be logged).

New in version 3.1.

class `tornado.web.UIModule` (handler: tornado.web.RequestHandler)

A re-usable, modular UI unit on a page.

UI modules often execute additional queries, and they can include additional CSS and JavaScript that will be included in the output page, which is automatically inserted on page render.

Subclasses of UIModule must override the `render` method.

`render(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any) -> str`

Override in subclasses to return this module’s output.

`embedded_javascript() -> Optional[str]`

Override to return a JavaScript string to be embedded in the page.

`javascript_files() -> Optional[Iterable[str]]`

Override to return a list of JavaScript files needed by this module.

If the return values are relative paths, they will be passed to `RequestHandler.static_url`; otherwise they will be used as-is.

`embedded_css() -> Optional[str]`

Override to return a CSS string that will be embedded in the page.

`css_files() -> Optional[Iterable[str]]`

Override to return a list of CSS files required by this module.

If the return values are relative paths, they will be passed to `RequestHandler.static_url`; otherwise they will be used as-is.

`html_head() -> Optional[str]`

Override to return an HTML string that will be put in the `<head/>` element.

`html_body() -> Optional[str]`

Override to return an HTML string that will be put at the end of the `<body/>` element.

`render_string(path: str, **kwargs: Any) -> bytes`

Renders a template and returns it as a string.

class `tornado.web.ErrorHandler` (application: tornado.web.Application, request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, **kwargs: Any)

Generates an error response with `status_code` for all requests.

class `tornado.web.FallbackHandler` (application: tornado.web.Application, request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, **kwargs: Any)

A `RequestHandler` that wraps another HTTP server callback.

The fallback is a callable object that accepts an `HTTPServerRequest`, such as an `Application` or `tornado.wsgi.WSGIContainer`. This is most useful to use both Tornado RequestHandlers and WSGI in the same server. Typical usage:

```python
wsgi_app = tornado.wsgi.WSGIContainer(
    django.core.handlers.wsgi.WSGIHandler())
application = tornado.web.Application([
    (r"/foo", FooHandler),
    (r"/wsgi", wsgi_app)
])
```

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class tornado.web.RedirectHandler

Redirects the client to the given URL for all GET requests.
You should provide the keyword argument `url` to the handler, e.g.:

```
application = web.Application([
    (r"/oldpath", web.RedirectHandler, {"url": "/newpath"}),
])
```

RedirectHandler supports regular expression substitutions. E.g., to swap the first and second parts of a path while preserving the remainder:

```
application = web.Application([
    (r"/(.*?)/(.*?)/(.*)", web.RedirectHandler, {"url": "/{1}\0/{2}"}),
])
```

The final URL is formatted with `str.format` and the substrings that match the capturing groups. In the above example, a request to "/a/b/c" would be formatted like:

```
str.format("/\{1\}/\0/\2\", "a", "b", "c")  # -> "/b/a/c"
```

Use Python’s format string syntax to customize how values are substituted.

Changed in version 4.5: Added support for substitutions into the destination URL.

Changed in version 5.0: If any query arguments are present, they will be copied to the destination URL.

class tornado.web.StaticFileHandler

A simple handler that can serve static content from a directory.

A StaticFileHandler is configured automatically if you pass the `static_path` keyword argument to `Application`. This handler can be customized with the `static_url_prefix`, `static_handler_class`, and `static_handler_args` settings.

To map an additional path to this handler for a static data directory you would add a line to your application like:

```
application = web.Application([[
    (r"/content/(.*)", web.StaticFileHandler, {"path": "/var/www"}),
])
```

The handler constructor requires a `path` argument, which specifies the local root directory of the content to be served.

Note that a capture group in the regex is required to parse the value for the `path` argument to the get() method (different than the constructor argument above); see `URLSpec` for details.

To serve a file like `index.html` automatically when a directory is requested, set `static_handler_args=dict(default_filename="index.html")` in your application settings, or add `default_filename` as an initializer argument for your StaticFileHandler.

To maximize the effectiveness of browser caching, this class supports versioned urls (by default using the argument `?v=`). If a version is given, we instruct the browser to cache this file indefinitely. `make_static_url` (also available as `RequestHandler.static_url`) can be used to construct a versioned url.
This handler is intended primarily for use in development and light-duty file serving; for heavy traffic it will be more efficient to use a dedicated static file server (such as nginx or Apache). We support the HTTP Accept-Ranges mechanism to return partial content (because some browsers require this functionality to be present to seek in HTML5 audio or video).

Subclassing notes

This class is designed to be extensible by subclassing, but because of the way static urls are generated with class methods rather than instance methods, the inheritance patterns are somewhat unusual. Be sure to use the @classmethod decorator when overriding a class method. Instance methods may use the attributes self.path, self.absolute_path, and self.modified.

Subclasses should only override methods discussed in this section; overriding other methods is error-prone. Overriding StaticFileHandler.get is particularly problematic due to the tight coupling with compute_etag and other methods.

To change the way static urls are generated (e.g. to match the behavior of another server or CDN), override make_static_url, parse_url_path, get_cache_time, and/or get_version.

To replace all interaction with the filesystem (e.g. to serve static content from a database), override get_content, get_content_size, get_modified_time, get_absolute_path, and validate_absolute_path.

Changed in version 3.1: Many of the methods for subclasses were added in Tornado 3.1.

**compute_etag** () → Optional[str]

Sets the Etag header based on static url version.

This allows efficient If-None-Match checks against cached versions, and sends the correct Etag for a partial response (i.e. the same Etag as the full file).

New in version 3.1.

**set_headers** () → None

Sets the content and caching headers on the response.

New in version 3.1.

**should_return_304** () → bool

Returns True if the headers indicate that we should return 304.

New in version 3.1.

**classmethod get_absolute_path** (root: str, path: str) → str

Returns the absolute location of path relative to root.

root is the path configured for this StaticFileHandler (in most cases the static_path Application setting).

This class method may be overridden in subclasses. By default it returns a filesystem path, but other strings may be used as long as they are unique and understood by the subclass’s overridden get_content.

New in version 3.1.

**validate_absolute_path** (root: str, absolute_path: str) → Optional[str]

Validate and return the absolute path.

root is the configured path for the StaticFileHandler, and path is the result of get_absolute_path.

This is an instance method called during request processing, so it may raise HTTPError or use methods like RequestHandler.redirect (return None after redirecting to halt further processing). This is where 404 errors for missing files are generated.
This method may modify the path before returning it, but note that any such modifications will not be understood by `make_static_url`.

In instance methods, this method’s result is available as `self абсолют_path`.

New in version 3.1.

```python
classmethod get_content(abspath: str, start: Optional[int] = None, end: Optional[int] = None) → Generator[bytes, None, None]
```
Retrieve the content of the requested resource which is located at the given absolute path.

This class method may be overridden by subclasses. Note that its signature is different from other overridable class methods (no `settings` argument); this is deliberate to ensure that `abspath` is able to stand on its own as a cache key.

This method should either return a byte string or an iterator of byte strings. The latter is preferred for large files as it helps reduce memory fragmentation.

New in version 3.1.

```python
classmethod get_content_version(abspath: str) → str
```
Returns a version string for the resource at the given path.

This class method may be overridden by subclasses. The default implementation is a SHA-512 hash of the file’s contents.

New in version 3.1.

```python
get_content_size() → int
```
Retrieve the total size of the resource at the given path.

This method may be overridden by subclasses.

New in version 3.1.

Changed in version 4.0: This method is now always called, instead of only when partial results are requested.

```python
get_modified_time() → Optional[datetime.datetime]
```
Returns the time that `self абсолют_path` was last modified.

May be overridden in subclasses. Should return a `datetime` object or None.

New in version 3.1.

```python
get_content_type() → str
```
Returns the `Content-Type` header to be used for this request.

New in version 3.1.

```python
set_extra_headers(path: str) → None
```
For subclass to add extra headers to the response

```python
get_cache_time(path: str, modified: Optional[datetime.datetime], mime_type: str) → int
```
Override to customize cache control behavior.

Return a positive number of seconds to make the result cacheable for that amount of time or 0 to mark resource as cacheable for an unspecified amount of time (subject to browser heuristics).

By default returns cache expiry of 10 years for resources requested with `v` argument.

```python
classmethod make_static_url(settings: Dict[str, Any], path: str, include_version: bool = True) → str
```
Constructs a versioned url for the given path.
This method may be overridden in subclasses (but note that it is a class method rather than an instance method). Subclasses are only required to implement the signature `make_static_url(cls, settings, path)`; other keyword arguments may be passed through `static_url` but are not standard.

`settings` is the `Application.settings` dictionary, `path` is the static path being requested. The url returned should be relative to the current host.

`include_version` determines whether the generated URL should include the query string containing the version hash of the file corresponding to the given `path`.

```
parse_url_path(url_path: str) → str
```

Converts a static URL path into a filesystem path.

`url_path` is the path component of the URL with `static_url_prefix` removed. The return value should be filesystem path relative to `static_path`.

This is the inverse of `make_static_url`.

```
classmethod get_version(settings: Dict[str, Any], path: str) → Optional[str]
```

Generate the version string to be used in static URLs.

`settings` is the `Application.settings` dictionary and `path` is the relative location of the requested asset on the filesystem. The returned value should be a string, or `None` if no version could be determined.

Changed in version 3.1: This method was previously recommended for subclasses to override; `get_content_version` is now preferred as it allows the base class to handle caching of the result.

### 6.2.2 tornado.template — Flexible output generation

A simple template system that compiles templates to Python code.

Basic usage looks like:

```
t = template.Template("<html>{{ myvalue }}</html>")
print(t.generate(myvalue="XXX"))
```

`Loader` is a class that loads templates from a root directory and caches the compiled templates:

```
loader = template.Loader("/home/btaylor")
print(loader.load("test.html").generate(myvalue="XXX"))
```

We compile all templates to raw Python. Error-reporting is currently... uh, interesting. Syntax for the templates:

```
### base.html
<html>
<head>
  <title>{% block title %}Default title{% end %}</title>
</head>
<body>
  {% for student in students %}
    {% block student %}
      <li>{{ escape(student.name) }}</li>
    {% end %}
  {% end %}
</ul>
</body>
```
### bold.html
{% extends "base.html" %}

{% block title %}A bolder title{% end %}

{% block student %}
<li><span style="bold">{{ escape(student.name) }}</span></li>
{% end %}

Unlike most other template systems, we do not put any restrictions on the expressions you can include in your statements. `if` and `for` blocks get translated exactly into Python, so you can do complex expressions like:

{% for student in [p for p in people if p.student and p.age > 23] %}
  <li>{{ escape(student.name) }}</li>
{% end %}

Translating directly to Python means you can apply functions to expressions easily, like the `escape()` function in the examples above. You can pass functions in to your template just like any other variable (in a `RequestHandler`, override `RequestHandler.get_template_namespace`):

### Python code
```python
def add(x, y):
    return x + y

template.execute(add=add)
```

### The template
```
{{ add(1, 2) }}
```

We provide the functions `escape()`, `url_escape()`, `json_encode()`, and `squeeze()` to all templates by default.

Typical applications do not create `Template` or `Loader` instances by hand, but instead use the `render` and `render_string` methods of `tornado.web.RequestHandler`, which load templates automatically based on the `template_path` `Application` setting.

Variable names beginning with `_tt_` are reserved by the template system and should not be used by application code.

**Syntax Reference**

Template expressions are surrounded by double curly braces: `{{ ... }}`. The contents may be any python expression, which will be escaped according to the current autoescape setting and inserted into the output. Other template directives use `{% %}`.

To comment out a section so that it is omitted from the output, surround it with `{# ... #}`.

To include a literal `{!, %, or #` in the output, escape them as `{%!, {%!, and `{#!, respectively.

`{% apply *function* %}...{% end %}` Applies a function to the output of all template code between `apply` and `end`:

```
{% apply linkify %}{{name}} said: {{message}}{% end %}
```

Note that as an implementation detail `apply` blocks are implemented as nested functions and thus may interact strangely with variables set via `{% set %}`, or the use of `{% break %}` or `{% continue %}` within loops.
{% autoescape *function% %} Sets the autoescape mode for the current file. This does not affect other files, even those referenced by {% include %}. Note that autoescaping can also be configured globally, at the Application or Loader:

{% autoescape xhtml_escape %}
{% autoescape None %}

{% block *name%}...{% end %} Indicates a named, replaceable block for use with {% extends %}. Blocks in the parent template will be replaced with the contents of the same-named block in a child template.:

<!-- base.html -->
<title>{% block title %}Default title{% end %}</title>

<!-- mypage.html -->
{% extends "base.html" %}
{% block title %}My page title{% end %}

{% comment ... %} A comment which will be removed from the template output. Note that there is no {% end %} tag; the comment goes from the word comment to the closing %} tag.

{% extends *filename* %} Inherit from another template. Templates that use extends should contain one or more block tags to replace content from the parent template. Anything in the child template not contained in a block tag will be ignored. For an example, see the {% block %} tag.

{% for *var* in *expr* %}...{% end %} Same as the python for statement. {% break %} and {% continue %} may be used inside the loop.

{% from *x* import *y* %} Same as the python import statement.

{% if *condition%}...{% elif *condition* %}...{% else %}...{% end %} Conditional statement - outputs the first section whose condition is true. (The elif and else sections are optional)

{% import *module* %} Same as the python import statement.

{% include *filename* %} Includes another template file. The included file can see all the local variables as if it were copied directly to the point of the include directive (the {% autoescape %} directive is an exception). Alternately, {% module Template(filename, **kwargs) %} may be used to include another template with an isolated namespace.

{% module *expr* %} Renders a UIModule. The output of the UIModule is not escaped:

({% module Template("foo.html", arg=42) %})

UIModules are a feature of the tornado.web.RequestHandler class (and specifically its render method) and will not work when the template system is used on its own in other contexts.

{% raw *expr* %} Outputs the result of the given expression without autoescaping.

{% set *x* = *y* %} Sets a local variable.

{% try %}...{% except %}...{% else %}...{% finally %}...{% end %} Same as the python try statement.

{% while *condition* %}... {end %} Same as the python while statement. {% break %} and {% continue %} may be used inside the loop.

{% whitespace *mode% %} Sets the whitespace mode for the remainder of the current file (or until the next {% whitespace %} directive). See filter_whitespace for available options. New in Tornado 4.3.
Class reference

class tornado.template.Template(template_string, name='<string>', loader=None, compress_whitespace=None, autoescape='xhtml_escape', whitespace=None)

A compiled template.
We compile into Python from the given template_string. You can generate the template from variables with generate().

Construct a Template.

Parameters

- **template_string**(str) – the contents of the template file.
- **name**(str) – the filename from which the template was loaded (used for error message).
- **loader**(tornado.template.BaseLoader) – the BaseLoader responsible for this template, used to resolve {% include %} and {% extend %} directives.
- **compress_whitespace**(bool) – Deprecated since Tornado 4.3. Equivalent to whitespace="single" if true and whitespace="all" if false.
- **autoescape**(str) – The name of a function in the template namespace, or None to disable escaping by default.
- **whitespace**(str) – A string specifying treatment of whitespace; see filter_whitespace for options.

Changed in version 4.3: Added whitespace parameter; deprecated compress_whitespace.

generate(**kwargs: Any) → bytes
Generate this template with the given arguments.

class tornado.template.BaseLoader(autoescape: str = 'xhtml_escape', namespace: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, whitespace: Optional[str] = None)

Base class for template loaders.

You must use a template loader to use template constructs like {% extends %} and {% include %}. The loader caches all templates after they are loaded the first time.

Construct a template loader.

Parameters

- **autoescape**(str) – The name of a function in the template namespace, such as “xhtml_escape”, or None to disable autoescaping by default.
- **namespace**(dict) – A dictionary to be added to the default template namespace, or None.
- **whitespace**(str) – A string specifying default behavior for whitespace in templates; see filter_whitespace for options. Default is “single” for files ending in “.html” and “.js” and “all” for other files.

Changed in version 4.3: Added whitespace parameter.

reset() → None
Resets the cache of compiled templates.

resolve_path(name: str, parent_path: Optional[str] = None) → str
Converts a possibly-relative path to absolute (used internally).
load \( (\text{name: str, parent\_path: Optional[\text{str}] = \text{None}}) \rightarrow \text{tornado.template.Template} \)

Loads a template.

class tornado.template.Loader \( (\text{root\_directory: str, **kwargs: Any}) \)

A template loader that loads from a single root directory.

class tornado.template.DictLoader \( (\text{dict: Dict[\text{str, str}], **kwargs: Any}) \)

A template loader that loads from a dictionary.

exception tornado.template.ParseError \( (\text{message: str, filename: Optional[\text{str}] = \text{None}, lineno: int = 0}) \)

Raised for template syntax errors.

ParseError instances have \text{filename} and \text{lineno} attributes indicating the position of the error.

Changed in version 4.3: Added \text{filename} and \text{lineno} attributes.

tornado.template.filter_whitespace \( (\text{mode: str, text: str}) \rightarrow \text{str} \)

Transform whitespace in \text{text} according to \text{mode}.

Available modes are:

- \text{all}: Return all whitespace unmodified.
- \text{single}: Collapse consecutive whitespace with a single whitespace character, preserving newlines.
- \text{oneline}: Collapse all runs of whitespace into a single space character, removing all newlines in the process.

New in version 4.3.

6.2.3 tornado.routing — Basic routing implementation

Flexible routing implementation.

Tornado routes HTTP requests to appropriate handlers using \text{Router} class implementations. The \text{tornado.web.Application} class is a \text{Router} implementation and may be used directly, or the classes in this module may be used for additional flexibility. The \text{RuleRouter} class can match on more criteria than \text{Application}, or the \text{Router} interface can be subclassed for maximum customization.

\text{Router} interface extends \text{HTTPServerConnectionDelegate} to provide additional routing capabilities. This also means that any \text{Router} implementation can be used directly as a \text{request\_callback} for \text{HTTPServer} constructor.

\text{Router} subclass must implement a \text{find\_handler} method to provide a suitable \text{HTTPMessageDelegate} instance to handle the request:

```python
class CustomRouter(Router):
    def find_handler(self, request, **kwargs):
        # some routing logic providing a suitable HTTPMessageDelegate instance
        return MessageDelegate(request.connection)

class MessageDelegate(HTTPMessageDelegate):
    def __init__(self, connection):
        self.connection = connection

    def finish(self):
        self.connection.write_headers(
            ResponseStartLine("HTTP/1.1", 200, "OK"),
            HTTPHeaders({"Content-Length": "2"}),
            b"OK")
```

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The main responsibility of `Router` implementation is to provide a mapping from a request to `HTTPMessageDelegate` instance that will handle this request. In the example above we can see that routing is possible even without instantiating an `Application`.

For routing to `RequestHandler` implementations we need an `Application` instance. `get_handler_delegate` provides a convenient way to create `HTTPMessageDelegate` for a given request and `RequestHandler`.

Here is a simple example of how we can we route to `RequestHandler` subclasses by HTTP method:

```python
resources = {}

class GetResource(RequestHandler):
    def get(self, path):
        if path not in resources:
            raise HTTPError(404)
        self.finish(resources[path])

class PostResource(RequestHandler):
    def post(self, path):
        resources[path] = self.request.body

class HTTPMethodRouter(Router):
    def __init__(self, app):
        self.app = app
    def find_handler(self, request, **kwargs):
        handler = GetResource if request.method == "GET" else PostResource
        return self.app.get_handler_delegate(request, handler, path_args=[request.path])

router = HTTPMethodRouter(Application())
server = HTTPServer(router)
```

`ReversibleRouter` interface adds the ability to distinguish between the routes and reverse them to the original urls using route’s name and additional arguments. `Application` is itself an implementation of `ReversibleRouter` class.

`RuleRouter` and `ReversibleRuleRouter` are implementations of `Router` and `ReversibleRouter` interfaces and can be used for creating rule-based routing configurations.

Rules are instances of `Rule` class. They contain a `Matcher`, which provides the logic for determining whether the rule is a match for a particular request and a target, which can be one of the following.

1) An instance of `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate`:

```python
router = RuleRouter([  
    Rule(PathMatches("/handler"), ConnectionDelegate()),
    # ... more rules
])

class ConnectionDelegate(HTTPServerConnectionDelegate):
```

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def start_request(self, server_conn, request_conn):
    return MessageDelegate(request_conn)

2) A callable accepting a single argument of HTTPServerRequest type:

```python
router = RuleRouter(
    Rule(PathMatches("/callable"), request_callable)
)
def request_callable(request):
    request.write(b"HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n\nContent-Length: 2\r\n\nOK")
    request.finish()
```

3) Another Router instance:

```python
router = RuleRouter(
    Rule(PathMatches("/router.*"), CustomRouter())
)
```

Of course a nested RuleRouter or a Application is allowed:

```python
router = RuleRouter(
    Rule(HostMatches("example.com"), RuleRouter(
        Rule(PathMatches("/app1.*"), Application([((r"/app1/handler", Handler))])),
    )))
)
server = HTTPServer(router)
```

In the example below RuleRouter is used to route between applications:

```python
app1 = Application(
    (r"/app1/handler", Handler1),
    # other handlers ...
)
app2 = Application(
    (r"/app2/handler", Handler2),
    # other handlers ...
)
router = RuleRouter(
    Rule(PathMatches("/app1.*"), app1),
    Rule(PathMatches("/app2.*"), app2)
)
server = HTTPServer(router)
```

For more information on application-level routing see docs for Application.

New in version 4.5.

```python
class tornado.routing.Router
    Abstract router interface.
    find_handler(request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, **kwargs: Any) → Optional[tornado.httputil.HTTPMessageDelegate]
```

Must be implemented to return an appropriate instance of HTTPMessageDelegate that can serve the
request. Routing implementations may pass additional kwargs to extend the routing logic.

Parameters

- **request** (*httputil.HTTPServerRequest*) – current HTTP request.
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments passed by routing implementation.

Returns an instance of *HTTPMessageDelegate* that will be used to process the request.

class tornado.routing.ReversibleRouter
Abstract router interface for routers that can handle named routes and support reversing them to original urls.

reverse_url(name: str, *args: Any) → Optional[str]
Returns url string for a given route name and arguments or *None* if no match is found.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – route name.
- **args** – url parameters.

Returns parametrized url string for a given route name (or *None*).

class tornado.routing.RuleRouter(rules: Optional[List[Union[Rule, List[Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any]], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any], str]]]) = None)
Rule-based router implementation.

Constructs a router from an ordered list of rules:

```python
RuleRouter([  
    Rule(PathMatches("/handler"), Target),
    # ... more rules
])
```

You can also omit explicit *Rule* constructor and use tuples of arguments:

```python
RuleRouter([  
    (PathMatches("/handler"), Target),
])
```

*PathMatches* is a default matcher, so the example above can be simplified:

```python
RuleRouter([  
    ("/handler", Target),
])
```

In the examples above, *Target* can be a nested *Route* instance, an instance of *HTTPServerConnectionDelegate* or an old-style callable, accepting a request argument.

Parameters **rules** – a list of *Rule* instances or tuples of *Rule* constructor arguments.

add_rules(rules: List[Union[Rule, List[Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any]], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any], str]]]) → None
Appends new rules to the router.

Parameters **rules** – a list of Rule instances (or tuples of arguments, which are passed to Rule constructor).

process_rule (rule: tornado.routing.Rule) → tornado.routing.Rule
Override this method for additional preprocessing of each rule.
Parameters **rule** *(Rule)* – a rule to be processed.

Returns the same or modified Rule instance.

**get_target_delegate** *(target: Any, request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, **target_params: Any) → Optional[tornado.httputil.HTTPMessageDelegate]*)

Returns an instance of `HTTPMessageDelegate` for a Rule’s target. This method is called by `find_handler` and can be extended to provide additional target types.

Parameters

- **target** – a Rule’s target.
- **request** *(httpuutil.HTTPServerRequest)* – current request.
- **target_params** – additional parameters that can be useful for `HTTPMessageDelegate` creation.

**class tornado.routing.ReversibleRuleRouter**(rules: Optional[List[Union[Rule, List[Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any]], Tuple[Union[str, Matcher], Any, Dict[str, Any], str]]]] = None)

A rule-based router that implements `reverse_url` method.

Each rule added to this router may have a `name` attribute that can be used to reconstruct an original uri. The actual reconstruction takes place in a rule’s matcher (see `Matcher.reverse`).


A routing rule.

Constructs a Rule instance.

Parameters

- **matcher** *(Matcher)* – a `Matcher` instance used for determining whether the rule should be considered a match for a specific request.

- **target** – a Rule’s target (typically a `RequestHandler` or `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate` subclass or even a nested `Router`, depending on routing implementation).

- **target_kwargs** *(dict)* – a dict of parameters that can be useful at the moment of target instantiation (for example, `status_code` for a `RequestHandler` subclass). They end up in `target_params['target_kwargs']` of `RuleRouter.get_target_delegate` method.

- **name** *(str)* – the name of the rule that can be used to find it in `ReversibleRouter.reverse_url` implementation.

**class tornado.routing.Matcher**

Represents a matcher for request features.

**match** *(request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest) → Optional[Dict[str, Any]]*

Matches current instance against the request.

Parameters **request** *(httpuutil.HTTPServerRequest)* – current HTTP request

Returns a dict of parameters to be passed to the target handler (for example, `handler_kwargs`, `path_args`, `path_kwargs` can be passed for proper `RequestHandler` instantiation). An empty dict is a valid (and common) return value to indicate a match when the argument-passing features are not used. `None` must be returned to indicate that there is no match.
reverse (*args: Any) → Optional[str]
Reconstructs full url from matcher instance and additional arguments.

class tornado.routing.AnyMatches
Matches any request.

class tornado.routing.HostMatches (host_pattern: Union[str, Pattern])
Matches requests from hosts specified by host_pattern regex.

class tornado.routing.DefaultHostMatches (application: Any, host_pattern: Pattern)
Matches requests from host that is equal to application’s default_host. Always returns no match if X-Real-Ip header is present.

class tornado.routing.PathMatches (path_pattern: Union[str, Pattern])
Matches requests with paths specified by path_pattern regex.

class tornado.routing.URLSpec (pattern: Union[str, Pattern], handler: Any, kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, name: Optional[str] = None)
Specifies mappings between URLs and handlers.

Parameters:
• pattern: Regular expression to be matched. Any capturing groups in the regex will be passed in to the handler’s get/post/etc methods as arguments (by keyword if named, by position if unnamed. Named and unnamed capturing groups may not be mixed in the same rule).
• handler: RequestHandler subclass to be invoked.
• kwargs (optional): A dictionary of additional arguments to be passed to the handler’s constructor.
• name (optional): A name for this handler. Used by reverse_url.

6.2.4 tornado.escape — Escaping and string manipulation

Escaping/unescaping methods for HTML, JSON, URLs, and others.
Also includes a few other miscellaneous string manipulation functions that have crept in over time.

Escaping functions

tornado.escape.xhtml_escape (value: Union[str, bytes]) → str
Escapes a string so it is valid within HTML or XML.

Escapes the characters <, >, "", ', and &. When used in attribute values the escaped strings must be enclosed in quotes.

Changed in version 3.2: Added the single quote to the list of escaped characters.

tornado.escape.xhtml_unescape (value: Union[str, bytes]) → str
Un-escapes an XML-escaped string.

tornado.escape.url_escape (value: Union[str, bytes], plus: bool = True) → str
Returns a URL-encoded version of the given value.

If plus is true (the default), spaces will be represented as “+” instead of “%20”. This is appropriate for query strings but not for the path component of a URL. Note that this default is the reverse of Python’s urllib module.

New in version 3.1: The plus argument

tornado.escape.url_unescape (value: Union[str, bytes], encoding: None, plus: bool = ‘True’) → bytes
tornado.escape.url_unescape(value: Union[str, bytes], encoding: str = "utf-8", plus: bool = True) → str

Decodes the given value from a URL.

The argument may be either a byte or unicode string.

If encoding is None, the result will be a byte string. Otherwise, the result is a unicode string in the specified encoding.

If plus is true (the default), plus signs will be interpreted as spaces (literal plus signs must be represented as “%2B”). This is appropriate for query strings and form-encoded values but not for the path component of a URL. Note that this default is the reverse of Python’s urllib module.

New in version 3.1: The plus argument


tornado.escape.json_encode(value: Any) → str

JSON-encodes the given Python object.


tornado.escape.json_decode(value: Union[str, bytes]) → Any

Returns Python objects for the given JSON string.

Supports both str and bytes inputs.

Byte/unicode conversions


tornado.escape.utf8(value: bytes) → bytes
tornado.escape.utf8(value: str) → bytes
tornado.escape.utf8(value: None) → None

Converts a string argument to a byte string.

If the argument is already a byte string or None, it is returned unchanged. Otherwise it must be a unicode string and is encoded as utf8.


tornado.escape.to_unicode(value: str) → str
tornado.escape.to_unicode(value: bytes) → str
tornado.escape.to_unicode(value: None) → None

Converts a string argument to a unicode string.

If the argument is already a unicode string or None, it is returned unchanged. Otherwise it must be a byte string and is decoded as utf8.


tornado.escape.native_str()

tornado.escape.to_basestring()

Converts a byte or unicode string into type str. These functions were used to help transition from Python 2 to Python 3 but are now deprecated aliases for to_unicode.


tornado.escape.recursive_unicode(obj: Any) → Any

Walks a simple data structure, converting byte strings to unicode.

Supports lists, tuples, and dictionaries.
Miscellaneous functions


Converts plain text into HTML with links.


Parameters:

- `shorten`: Long urls will be shortened for display.
- `extra_params`: Extra text to include in the link tag, or a callable taking the link as an argument and returning the extra text e.g. `linkify(text, extra_params='rel="nofollow" class="external"')`, or:

```python
def extra_params_cb(url):
    if url.startswith("http://example.com"):
        return 'class="internal"
    else:
        return 'class="external" rel="nofollow"
    return linkify(text, extra_params=extra_params_cb)
```

- `require_protocol`: Only linkify urls which include a protocol. If this is False, urls such as `www.facebook.com` will also be linkified.
- `permitted_protocols`: List (or set) of protocols which should be linkified, e.g. `linkify(text, permitted_protocols=['http', 'ftp', 'mailto'])`. It is very unsafe to include protocols such as `javascript`.

`tornado.escape.squeeze`(value: str) → str

Replace all sequences of whitespace chars with a single space.

6.2.5 `tornado.locale` — Internationalization support

Translation methods for generating localized strings.

To load a locale and generate a translated string:

```python
user_locale = tornado.locale.get("es_LA")
print(user_locale.translate("Sign out"))
```

`tornado.locale.get()` returns the closest matching locale, not necessarily the specific locale you requested. You can support pluralization with additional arguments to `translate()`, e.g.:

```python
people = [...]  
message = user_locale.translate(  
    "%(list)s is online",  
    "%(list)s are online",  
    len(people))
print(message % {"list": user_locale.list(people)})
```

The first string is chosen if `len(people) == 1`, otherwise the second string is chosen.

Applications should call one of `load_translations` (which uses a simple CSV format) or `load_gettext_translations` (which uses the `.mo` format supported by `gettext` and related tools). If neither method is called, the `Locale.translate` method will simply return the original string.
**tornado.locale.get**(*locale_codes: str*) → **tornado.locale.Locale**

Returns the closest match for the given locale codes.

We iterate over all given locale codes in order. If we have a tight or a loose match for the code (e.g., “en” for “en_US”), we return the locale. Otherwise we move to the next code in the list.

By default we return en_US if no translations are found for any of the specified locales. You can change the default locale with `set_default_locale()`.

**tornado.locale.set_default_locale**(*code: str*) → None

Sets the default locale.

The default locale is assumed to be the language used for all strings in the system. The translations loaded from disk are mappings from the default locale to the destination locale. Consequently, you don’t need to create a translation file for the default locale.

**tornado.locale.load_translations**(*directory: str*, *encoding: Optional[str] = None*) → None

Loads translations from CSV files in a directory.

Translations are strings with optional Python-style named placeholders (e.g., My name is %(name)s) and their associated translations.

The directory should have translation files of the form LOCALE.csv, e.g., es_GT.csv. The CSV files should have two or three columns: string, translation, and an optional plural indicator. Plural indicators should be one of “plural” or “singular”. A given string can have both singular and plural forms. For example %(name)s liked this may have a different verb conjugation depending on whether %(name)s is one name or a list of names. There should be two rows in the CSV file for that string, one with plural indicator “singular”, and one “plural”. For strings with no verbs that would change on translation, simply use “unknown” or the empty string (or don’t include the column at all).

The file is read using the **csv** module in the default “excel” dialect. In this format there should not be spaces after the commas.

If no encoding parameter is given, the encoding will be detected automatically (among UTF-8 and UTF-16) if the file contains a byte-order marker (BOM), defaulting to UTF-8 if no BOM is present.

Example translation es_LA.csv:

```
"I love you","Te amo"
"%(name)s liked this","A %(name)s les gustó esto","plural"
"%(name)s liked this","A %(name)s le gustó esto","singular"
```

Changed in version 4.3: Added encoding parameter. Added support for BOM-based encoding detection, UTF-16, and UTF-8-with-BOM.

**tornado.locale.load_gettext_translations**(*directory: str*, *domain: str*) → None

Loads translations from gettext’s locale tree

Locale tree is similar to system’s /usr/share/locale, like:

```
{directory}/{lang}/LC_MESSAGES/{domain}.mo
```

Three steps are required to have your app translated:

1. Generate POT translation file:

   ```
xgettext --language=Python --keyword=_:1,2 -d mydomain file1.py file2.html etc
```

2. Merge against existing POT file:

   ```
msgmerge old.po mydomain.po > new.po
```
3. Compile:

```bash
msgfmt mydomain.po -o {directory}/pt_BR/LC_MESSAGES/mydomain.mo
```

tornado.locale.get_supported_locales() \rightarrow \text{Iterable}[\text{str}]

Returns a list of all the supported locale codes.

class tornado.locale.Locale (code: str)

Object representing a locale.

After calling one of load_translations or load_gettext_translations, call get or get_closest to get a Locale object.

classmethod get_closest (*locale_codes: str) \rightarrow tornado.locale.Locale

Returns the closest match for the given locale code.

classmethod get (code: str) \rightarrow tornado.locale.Locale

Returns the Locale for the given locale code.

If it is not supported, we raise an exception.

translate (message: str, plural_message: Optional[str] = None, count: Optional[int] = None) \rightarrow str

Returns the translation for the given message for this locale.

If plural_message is given, you must also provide count. We return plural_message when count \(!= 1\), and we return the singular form for the given message when count \(== 1\).

format_date (date: Union[int, float, datetime.datetime], gmt_offset: int = 0, relative: bool = True, shorter: bool = False, full_format: bool = False) \rightarrow str

Formats the given date (which should be GMT).

By default, we return a relative time (e.g., “2 minutes ago”). You can return an absolute date string with relative=False.

You can force a full format date (“July 10, 1980”) with full_format=True.

This method is primarily intended for dates in the past. For dates in the future, we fall back to full format.

format_day (date: datetime.datetime, gmt_offset: int = 0, dow: bool = True) \rightarrow bool

Formats the given date as a day of week.

Example: “Monday, January 22”. You can remove the day of week with dow=False.

list (parts: Any) \rightarrow str

Returns a comma-separated list for the given list of parts.

The format is, e.g., “A, B and C”, “A and B” or just “A” for lists of size 1.

friendly_number (value: int) \rightarrow str

Returns a comma-separated number for the given integer.

class tornado.locale.CSVLocale (code: str, translations: Dict[str, Dict[str, str]])

Locale implementation using tornado’s CSV translation format.


Locale implementation using the gettext module.

pgettext (context: str, message: str, plural_message: Optional[str] = None, count: Optional[int] = None) \rightarrow str

Allows to set context for translation, accepts plural forms.

Usage example:

```python
pgettext("law", "right")
pgettext("good", "right")
```
Plural message example:

```python
pgettext("organization", "club", "clubs", len(clubs))
pgettext("stick", "club", "clubs", len(clubs))
```

To generate POT file with context, add following options to step 1 of `load_gettext_translations` sequence:

```bash
xgettext [basic options] --keyword=pgettext:1c,2 --keyword=pgettext:1c,2,3
```

New in version 4.2.

### 6.2.6 `tornado.websocket` — Bidirectional communication to the browser

Implementation of the WebSocket protocol.

WebSockets allow for bidirectional communication between the browser and server.

WebSockets are supported in the current versions of all major browsers, although older versions that do not support WebSockets are still in use (refer to http://caniuse.com/websockets for details).

This module implements the final version of the WebSocket protocol as defined in RFC 6455. Certain browser versions (notably Safari 5.x) implemented an earlier draft of the protocol (known as “draft 76”) and are not compatible with this module.

Changed in version 4.0: Removed support for the draft 76 protocol version.

```python
class tornado.websocket.WebSocketHandler (application: tornado.web.Application, request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest, **kwargs: Any)
```

Subclass this class to create a basic WebSocket handler.

Override `on_message` to handle incoming messages, and use `write_message` to send messages to the client. You can also override `open` and `on_close` to handle opened and closed connections.

Custom upgrade response headers can be sent by overriding `set_default_headers` or `prepare`.


Here is an example WebSocket handler that echos back all received messages back to the client:

```python
class EchoWebSocket (tornado.websocket.WebSocketHandler):
    def open(self):
        print("WebSocket opened")

    def on_message(self, message):
        self.write_message(u"You said: " + message)

    def on_close(self):
        print("WebSocket closed")
```

WebSockets are not standard HTTP connections. The “handshake” is HTTP, but after the handshake, the protocol is message-based. Consequently, most of the Tornado HTTP facilities are not available in handlers of this type. The only communication methods available to you are `write_message()`, `ping()`, and `close()`. Likewise, your request handler class should implement `open()` method rather than `get()` or `post()`.

If you map the handler above to `/websocket` in your application, you can invoke it in JavaScript with:
This script pops up an alert box that says “You said: Hello, world”.

Web browsers allow any site to open a websocket connection to any other, instead of using the same-origin policy that governs other network access from JavaScript. This can be surprising and is a potential security hole, so since Tornado 4.0 WebSocketHandler requires applications that wish to receive cross-origin websockets to opt in by overriding the check_origin method (see that method’s docs for details). Failure to do so is the most likely cause of 403 errors when making a websocket connection.

When using a secure websocket connection (wss://) with a self-signed certificate, the connection from a browser may fail because it wants to show the “accept this certificate” dialog but has nowhere to show it. You must first visit a regular HTML page using the same certificate to accept it before the websocket connection will succeed.

If the application setting websocket_ping_interval has a non-zero value, a ping will be sent periodically, and the connection will be closed if a response is not received before the websocket_ping_timeout.

Messages larger than the websocket_max_message_size application setting (default 10MiB) will not be accepted.

Changed in version 4.5: Added websocket_ping_interval, websocket_ping_timeout, and websocket_max_message_size.

Event handlers

WebSocketHandler.open(*args: str, **kwargs: str) → Optional[Awaitable[None]]

Invoked when a new WebSocket is opened.

The arguments to open are extracted from the tornado.web.URLSpec regular expression, just like the arguments to tornado.web.RequestHandler.get.

open may be a coroutine. on_message will not be called until open has returned.

Changed in version 5.1: open may be a coroutine.

WebSocketHandler.on_message(message: Union[str, bytes]) → Optional[Awaitable[None]]

Handle incoming messages on the WebSocket

This method must be overridden.

Changed in version 4.5: on_message can be a coroutine.

WebSocketHandler.on_close() → None

Invoked when the WebSocket is closed.

If the connection was closed cleanly and a status code or reason phrase was supplied, these values will be available as the attributes self.close_code and self.close_reason.

Changed in version 4.0: Added close_code and close_reason attributes.

WebSocketHandler.select_subprotocol(subprotocols: List[str]) → Optional[str]

Override to implement subprotocol negotiation.
subprotocols is a list of strings identifying the subprotocols proposed by the client. This method may be overridden to return one of those strings to select it, or None to not select a subprotocol.

Failure to select a subprotocol does not automatically abort the connection, although clients may close the connection if none of their proposed subprotocols was selected.

The list may be empty, in which case this method must return None. This method is always called exactly once even if no subprotocols were proposed so that the handler can be advised of this fact.

Changed in version 5.1: Previously, this method was called with a list containing an empty string instead of an empty list if no subprotocols were proposed by the client.

WebSocketHandler.selected_subprotocol

The subprotocol returned by select_subprotocol.

New in version 5.1.

WebSocketHandler.on_ping(data: bytes) → None

Invoked when the a ping frame is received.

Output

WebSocketHandler.write_message(message: Union[bytes, str, Dict[str, Any]], binary: bool = False) → Future[None]

Sends the given message to the client of this Web Socket.

The message may be either a string or a dict (which will be encoded as json). If the binary argument is false, the message will be sent as utf8; in binary mode any byte string is allowed.

If the connection is already closed, raises WebSocketClosedError. Returns a Future which can be used for flow control.

Changed in version 3.2: WebSocketClosedError was added (previously a closed connection would raise an AttributeError)

Changed in version 4.3: Returns a Future which can be used for flow control.

Changed in version 5.0: Consistently raises WebSocketClosedError. Previously could sometimes raise StreamClosedError.

WebSocketHandler.close(code: Optional[int] = None, reason: Optional[str] = None) → None

Closes this Web Socket.

Once the close handshake is successful the socket will be closed.

code may be a numeric status code, taken from the values defined in RFC 6455 section 7.4.1. reason may be a textual message about why the connection is closing. These values are made available to the client, but are not otherwise interpreted by the websocket protocol.

Changed in version 4.0: Added the code and reason arguments.
Configuration

WebSocketHandler.check_origin(origin: str) → bool
Override to enable support for allowing alternate origins.

The `origin` argument is the value of the `Origin` HTTP header, the url responsible for initiating this request. This method is not called for clients that do not send this header; such requests are always allowed (because all browsers that implement WebSockets support this header, and non-browser clients do not have the same cross-site security concerns).

Should return `True` to accept the request or `False` to reject it. By default, rejects all requests with an origin on a host other than this one.

This is a security protection against cross site scripting attacks on browsers, since WebSockets are allowed to bypass the usual same-origin policies and don’t use CORS headers.

**Warning:** This is an important security measure; don’t disable it without understanding the security implications. In particular, if your authentication is cookie-based, you must either restrict the origins allowed by `check_origin()` or implement your own XSRF-like protection for websocket connections. See these articles for more.

To accept all cross-origin traffic (which was the default prior to Tornado 4.0), simply override this method to always return `True`:

```python
def check_origin(self, origin):
    return True
```

To allow connections from any subdomain of your site, you might do something like:

```python
def check_origin(self, origin):
    parsed_origin = urllib.parse.urlparse(origin)
    return parsed_origin.netloc.endswith(".mydomain.com")
```

New in version 4.0.

WebSocketHandler.get_compression_options() → Optional[Dict[str, Any]]
Override to return compression options for the connection.

If this method returns `None` (the default), compression will be disabled. If it returns a dict (even an empty one), it will be enabled. The contents of the dict may be used to control the following compression options:

- `compression_level` specifies the compression level.
- `mem_level` specifies the amount of memory used for the internal compression state.

These parameters are documented in details here: https://docs.python.org/3.6/library/zlib.html#zlib.compressobj

New in version 4.1.

Changed in version 4.5: Added `compression_level` and `mem_level`.

WebSocketHandler.set_nodelay(value: bool) → None
Set the no-delay flag for this stream.

By default, small messages may be delayed and/or combined to minimize the number of packets sent. This can sometimes cause 200-500ms delays due to the interaction between Nagle’s algorithm and TCP delayed ACKs. To reduce this delay (at the expense of possibly increasing bandwidth usage), call `self.set_nodelay(True)` once the websocket connection is established.
See `BaseIOStream.set_nodelay` for additional details.

New in version 3.1.

Other

WebSocketHandler.ping(data: Union[str, bytes] = b") → None

Send ping frame to the remote end.

The data argument allows a small amount of data (up to 125 bytes) to be sent as a part of the ping message. Note that not all websocket implementations expose this data to applications.

Consider using the websocket_ping_interval application setting instead of sending pings manually.

Changed in version 5.1: The data argument is now optional.

WebSocketHandler.on_pong(data: bytes) → None

Invoked when the response to a ping frame is received.

exception tornado.websocket.WebSocketClosedError

Raised by operations on a closed connection.

New in version 3.2.

Client-side support


Client-side websocket support.

Takes a url and returns a Future whose result is a `WebSocketClientConnection`.

compression_options is interpreted in the same way as the return value of `WebSocketHandler.get_compression_options`.

The connection supports two styles of operation. In the coroutine style, the application typically calls `read_message` in a loop:

```python
conn = yield websocket_connect(url)
while True:
    msg = yield conn.read_message()
    if msg is None: break
    # Do something with msg
```

In the callback style, pass an `on_message_callback` to `websocket_connect`. In both styles, a message of `None` indicates that the connection has been closed.

subprotocols may be a list of strings specifying proposed subprotocols. The selected protocol may be found on the selected_subprotocol attribute of the connection object when the connection is complete.
Tornado Documentation, Release 6.2.dev1

Changed in version 3.2: Also accepts HTTPRequest objects in place of urls.

Changed in version 4.1: Added compression_options and on_message_callback.

Changed in version 4.5: Added the ping_interval, ping_timeout, and max_message_size arguments, which have the same meaning as in WebSocketHandler.

Changed in version 5.0: The io_loop argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Changed in version 5.1: Added the subprotocols argument.

class tornado.websocket.WebSocketClientConnection (request: tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest, on_message_callback: Optional[Callable[[Union[None, str, bytes]], None]] = None, compression_options: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, ping_interval: Optional[float] = None, ping_timeout: Optional[float] = None, max_message_size: int = 10485760, subprotocols: Optional[List[str]] = [])

WebSocket client connection.
This class should not be instantiated directly; use the websocket_connect function instead.

close (code: Optional[int] = None, reason: Optional[str] = None) → None
Closes the websocket connection.

code and reason are documented under WebSocketHandler.close.

New in version 3.2.
 Changed in version 4.0: Added the code and reason arguments.

write_message (message: Union[str, bytes], binary: bool = False) → Future[None]
Sends a message to the WebSocket server.

If the stream is closed, raises WebSocketClosedError. Returns a Future which can be used for flow control.

Changed in version 5.0: Exception raised on a closed stream changed from StreamClosedError to WebSocketClosedError.

read_message (callback: Optional[Callable[[Future[Union[None, str, bytes]]], None]] = None) → Awaitable[Union[None, str, bytes]]
Reads a message from the WebSocket server.

If on_message_callback was specified at WebSocket initialization, this function will never return messages
Returns a future whose result is the message, or None if the connection is closed. If a callback argument is given it will be called with the future when it is ready.

ping (data: bytes = b") → None
Send ping frame to the remote end.

The data argument allows a small amount of data (up to 125 bytes) to be sent as a part of the ping message. Note that not all websocket implementations expose this data to applications.

Consider using the ping_interval argument to websocket_connect instead of sending pings manually.

New in version 5.1.
**property selected_subprotocol**

The subprotocol selected by the server.

New in version 5.1.

### 6.3 HTTP servers and clients

#### 6.3.1 `tornado.httpserver` — Non-blocking HTTP server

A non-blocking, single-threaded HTTP server.

Typical applications have little direct interaction with the `HTTPServer` class except to start a server at the beginning of the process (and even that is often done indirectly via `tornado.web.Application.listen`).

Changed in version 4.0: The `HTTPRequest` class that used to live in this module has been moved to `tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest`. The old name remains as an alias.

**HTTP Server**

```python
class tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer (request_callback: Union[httputil.HTTPServerConnectionDelegate, Callable[[httputil.HTTPServerRequest], None]],
no_keep_alive: bool = False,
ssl_options: Union[Dict[str, Any], ssl.SSLContext] = None,
protocol: Optional[str] = None,
chunk_size: Optional[int] = None,
max_header_size: Optional[int] = None,
decompress_request: bool = False,
body_timeout: Optional[float] = None,
max_body_size: Optional[int] = None,
max_buffer_size: Optional[int] = None,
debug: bool = False,
trusted_downstream: Optional[List[str]] = None)
```

A non-blocking, single-threaded HTTP server.

A server is defined by a subclass of `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate`, or, for backwards compatibility, a callback that takes an `HTTPServerRequest` as an argument. The delegate is usually a `tornado.web.Application`.

`HTTPServer` supports keep-alive connections by default (automatically for HTTP/1.1, or for HTTP/1.0 when the client requests `Connection: keep-alive`).

If `xheaders` is `True`, we support the `X-Real-Ip/X-Forwarded-For` and `X-Scheme/X-Forwarded-Proto` headers, which override the remote IP and URI scheme/protocol for all requests. These headers are useful when running Tornado behind a reverse proxy or load balancer. The `protocol` argument can also be set to `https` if Tornado is run behind an SSL-decoding proxy that does not set one of the supported `xheaders`.

By default, when parsing the `X-Forwarded-For` header, Tornado will select the last (i.e., the closest) address on the list of hosts as the remote host IP address. To select the next server in the chain, a list of trusted downstream hosts may be passed as the `trusted_downstream` argument. These hosts will be skipped when parsing the `X-Forwarded-For` header.

To make this server serve SSL traffic, send the `ssl_options` keyword argument with an `ssl.SSLContext` object. For compatibility with older versions of Python `ssl_options` may also be a dictionary of keyword arguments for the `ssl.wrap_socket` method.
ssl_ctx = ssl.create_default_context(ssl.Purpose.CLIENT_AUTH)
ssl_ctx.load_cert_chain(os.path.join(data_dir, "mydomain.crt"),
                   os.path.join(data_dir, "mydomain.key"))
HTTPServer(application, ssl_options=ssl_ctx)

HTTPServer initialization follows one of three patterns (the initialization methods are defined on tornado/tcpserver/TCPServer):

1. **listen**: simple single-process:

   ```python
   server = HTTPServer(app)
   server.listen(8888)
   IOLoop.current().start()
   ```

   In many cases, `tornado.web.Application.listen` can be used to avoid the need to explicitly create the `HTTPServer`.

2. **bind/start**: simple multi-process:

   ```python
   server = HTTPServer(app)
   server.bind(8888)
   server.start(0)  # Forks multiple sub-processes
   IOLoop.current().start()
   ```

   When using this interface, an `IOLoop` must not be passed to the `HTTPServer` constructor. `start` will always start the server on the default singleton `IOLoop`.

3. **add_sockets**: advanced multi-process:

   ```python
   sockets = tornado.netutil.bind_sockets(8888)
   tornado.process.fork_processes(0)
   server = HTTPServer(app)
   server.add_sockets(sockets)
   IOLoop.current().start()
   ```

   The `add_sockets` interface is more complicated, but it can be used with `tornado.process.fork_processes` to give you more flexibility in when the fork happens. `add_sockets` can also be used in single-process servers if you want to create your listening sockets in some way other than `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets`.

   **Changed in version 4.0**: Added `decompress_request`, `chunk_size`, `max_header_size`, `idle_connection_timeout`, `body_timeout`, `max_body_size` arguments. Added support for `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate` instances as request_callback.

   **Changed in version 4.1**: `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate.start_request` is now called with two arguments `(server_conn, request_conn)` (in accordance with the documentation) instead of one `(request_conn)`.

   **Changed in version 4.2**: `HTTPServer` is now a subclass of `tornado.util.Configurable`.

   **Changed in version 4.5**: Added the `trusted_downstream` argument.

   **Changed in version 5.0**: The `io_loop` argument has been removed.

   The public interface of this class is mostly inherited from `TCPServer` and is documented under that class.

   ```python
   coroutine close_all_connections() -> None
   ```

   Close all open connections and asynchronously wait for them to finish.

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This method is used in combination with `stop` to support clean shutdowns (especially for unittests). Typical usage would call `stop()` first to stop accepting new connections, then `await close_all_connections()` to wait for existing connections to finish.

This method does not currently close open websocket connections.

Note that this method is a coroutine and must be called with `await`.

### 6.3.2 tornado.httpclient — Asynchronous HTTP client

Blocking and non-blocking HTTP client interfaces.

This module defines a common interface shared by two implementations, `simple_httpclient` and `curl_httpclient`. Applications may either instantiate their chosen implementation class directly or use the `AsyncHTTPClient` class from this module, which selects an implementation that can be overridden with the `AsyncHTTPClient.configure` method.

The default implementation is `simple_httpclient`, and this is expected to be suitable for most users’ needs. However, some applications may wish to switch to `curl_httpclient` for reasons such as the following:

- `curl_httpclient` has some features not found in `simple_httpclient`, including support for HTTP proxies and the ability to use a specified network interface.
- `curl_httpclient` is more likely to be compatible with sites that are not-quite-compliant with the HTTP spec, or sites that use little-exercised features of HTTP.
- `curl_httpclient` is faster.

Note that if you are using `curl_httpclient`, it is highly recommended that you use a recent version of `libcurl` and `pycurl`. Currently the minimum supported version of `libcurl` is 7.22.0, and the minimum version of `pycurl` is 7.18.2. It is highly recommended that your `libcurl` installation is built with asynchronous DNS resolver (threaded or c-ares), otherwise you may encounter various problems with request timeouts (for more information, see [http://curl.haxx.se/libcurl/c/curl_easy_setopt.html#CURLOPTCONNECTTIMEOUTMS](http://curl.haxx.se/libcurl/c/curl_easy_setopt.html#CURLOPTCONNECTTIMEOUTMS) and comments in `curl_httpclient.py`).

To select `curl_httpclient`, call `AsyncHTTPClient.configure` at startup:

```python
AsyncHTTPClient.configure("tornado.curl_httpclient.CurlAsyncHTTPClient")
```

### HTTP client interfaces

```python
class tornado.httpclient.HTTPClient (async_client_class: Optional[Type[tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient]] = None, **kwargs: Any)
```

A blocking HTTP client.

This interface is provided to make it easier to share code between synchronous and asynchronous applications. Applications that are running an `IOLoop` must use `AsyncHTTPClient` instead.

Typical usage looks like this:

```python
http_client = httpclient.HTTPClient()
try:
    response = http_client.fetch("http://www.google.com/")
    print(response.body)
except httpclient.HTTPError as e:
    # HTTPError is raised for non-200 responses; the response
    # can be found in e.response.
    print("Error: " + str(e))
```

(continues on next page)
except Exception as e:
    # Other errors are possible, such as IOError.
    print("Error: " + str(e))
http_client.close()

Changed in version 5.0: Due to limitations in asyncio, it is no longer possible to use the synchronous HTTPClient while an IOLoop is running. Use AsyncHTTPClient instead.

close() → None
Closes the HTTPClient, freeing any resources used.

fetch (request: Union[HTTPRequest, str], **kwargs: Any) → tornado.httpclient.HTTPResponse
Executes a request, returning an HTTPResponse.

The request may be either a string URL or an HTTPRequest object. If it is a string, we construct an HTTPRequest using any additional kwargs:
HTTPRequest(request, **kwargs)

If an error occurs during the fetch, we raise an HTTPError unless the raise_error keyword argument is set to False.

class tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient (force_instance: bool = False, **kwargs: Any)
An non-blocking HTTP client.

Example usage:

async def f():
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    try:
        response = await http_client.fetch("http://www.google.com")
    except Exception as e:
        print("Error: %s" % e)
    else:
        print(response.body)

The constructor for this class is magic in several respects: It actually creates an instance of an implementation-specific subclass, and instances are reused as a kind of pseudo-singleton (one per IOLoop). The keyword argument force_instance=True can be used to suppress this singleton behavior. Unless force_instance=True is used, no arguments should be passed to the AsyncHTTPClient constructor. The implementation subclass as well as arguments to its constructor can be set with the static method configure()

All AsyncHTTPClient implementations support a defaults keyword argument, which can be used to set default values for HTTPRequest attributes. For example:

AsyncHTTPClient.configure(
    None, defaults=dict(user_agent="MyUserAgent"))
# or with force_instance:
client = AsyncHTTPClient(force_instance=True,
    defaults=dict(user_agent="MyUserAgent"))

Changed in version 5.0: The io_loop argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

close() → None
Destroys this HTTP client, freeing any file descriptors used.

This method is not needed in normal use due to the way that AsyncHTTPClient objects are transparently reused. close() is generally only necessary when either the IOLoop is also being closed, or the force_instance=True argument was used when creating the AsyncHTTPClient.

No other methods may be called on the AsyncHTTPClient after close().

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fetch (request: Union[str, HTTPRequest], raise_error: bool = True, **kwargs: Any) \rightarrow \text{Future[HTTPRequest]}

Executes a request, asynchronously returning an HTTPResponse.

The request may be either a string URL or an HTTPRequest object. If it is a string, we construct an HTTPRequest using any additional kwargs:

\text{HTTPRequest(request, **kwargs)}

This method returns a Future whose result is an HTTPResponse. By default, the Future will raise an HTTPError if the request returned a non-200 response code (other errors may also be raised if the server could not be contacted). Instead, if raise_error is set to False, the response will always be returned regardless of the response code.

If a callback is given, it will be invoked with the HTTPResponse. In the callback interface, HTTPError is not automatically raised. Instead, you must check the response's error attribute or call its rethrow method.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

The raise_error=False argument only affects the HTTPError raised when a non-200 response code is used, instead of suppressing all errors.

classmethod configure (impl: Union[None, str, Type[tornado.util.Configurable]], **kwargs: Any) \rightarrow \text{None}

Configures the AsyncHTTPClient subclass to use.

AsyncHTTPClient() actually creates an instance of a subclass. This method may be called with either a class object or the fully-qualified name of such a class (or None to use the default, SimpleAsyncHTTPClient)

If additional keyword arguments are given, they will be passed to the constructor of each subclass instance created. The keyword argument max_clients determines the maximum number of simultaneous fetch() operations that can execute in parallel on each IOLoop. Additional arguments may be supported depending on the implementation class in use.

Example:

AsyncHTTPClient.configure("tornado.curl_httpclient.CurlAsyncHTTPClient")
Request objects


HTTP client request object.

All parameters except url are optional.

Parameters

- **url (str)** – URL to fetch
- **method (str)** – HTTP method, e.g. “GET” or “POST”
- **headers (HTTPHeaders or dict)** – Additional HTTP headers to pass on the request
- **body (str or bytes)** – HTTP request body as a string (byte or unicode; if unicode the utf-8 encoding will be used)
- **body_producer (collections.abc.Callable)** – Callable used for lazy/asynchronous request bodies. It is called with one argument, a write function, and should return a Future. It should call the write function with new data as it becomes available. The write function returns a Future which can be used for flow control. Only one of body and body_producer may be specified. body_producer is not supported on curl_httpclient. When using body_producer it is recommended to pass a Content-Length in the headers as otherwise chunked encoding will be used, and many servers do not support chunked encoding on requests. New in Tornado 4.0
- **auth_username (str)** – Username for HTTP authentication
- **auth_password** *(str)* – Password for HTTP authentication
- **auth_mode** *(str)* – Authentication mode; default is “basic”. Allowed values are implementation-defined; `curl_httpclient` supports “basic” and “digest”; `simple_httpclient` only supports “basic”
- **connect_timeout** *(float)* – Timeout for initial connection in seconds, default 20 seconds (0 means no timeout)
- **request_timeout** *(float)* – Timeout for entire request in seconds, default 20 seconds (0 means no timeout)
- **if_modified_since** *(datetime or float)* – Timestamp for If-Modified-Since header
- **follow_redirects** *(bool)* – Should redirects be followed automatically or return the 3xx response? Default True.
- **max_redirects** *(int)* – Limit for follow_redirects, default 5.
- **user_agent** *(str)* – String to send as User-Agent header
- **decompress_response** *(bool)* – Request a compressed response from the server and decompress it after downloading. Default is True. New in Tornado 4.0.
- **use_gzip** *(bool)* – Deprecated alias for decompress_response since Tornado 4.0.
- **network_interface** *(str)* – Network interface or source IP to use for request. See `curl_httpclient` note below.
- **streaming_callback** *(collections.abc.Callable)* – If set, streaming_callback will be run with each chunk of data as it is received, and `HTTPResponse.body` and `HTTPResponse.buffer` will be empty in the final response.
- **header_callback** *(collections.abc.Callable)* – If set, header_callback will be run with each header line as it is received (including the first line, e.g. HTTP/1.0 200 OK\r\n, and a final line containing only \r\n. All lines include the trailing newline characters). `HTTPResponse.headers` will be empty in the final response. This is most useful in conjunction with streaming_callback, because it’s the only way to get access to header data while the request is in progress.
- **prepare_curl_callback** *(collections.abc.Callable)* – If set, will be called with a `pycurl.Curl` object to allow the application to make additional `setopt` calls.
- **proxy_host** *(str)* – HTTP proxy hostname. To use proxies, proxy_host and proxy_port must be set; proxy_username, proxy_pass and proxy_auth_mode are optional. Proxies are currently only supported with `curl_httpclient`.
- **proxy_port** *(int)* – HTTP proxy port
- **proxy_username** *(str)* – HTTP proxy username
- **proxy_password** *(str)* – HTTP proxy password
- **proxy_auth_mode** *(str)* – HTTP proxy Authentication mode; default is “basic”. Supports “basic” and “digest”
- **allow_nonstandard_methods** *(bool)* – Allow unknown values for method argument? Default is False.
- **validate_cert** *(bool)* – For HTTPS requests, validate the server’s certificate? Default is True.
• **ca_certs** *(str)* – filename of CA certificates in PEM format, or None to use defaults. See note below when used with curl_httpclient.

• **client_key** *(str)* – Filename for client SSL key, if any. See note below when used with curl_httpclient.

• **client_cert** *(str)* – Filename for client SSL certificate, if any. See note below when used with curl_httpclient.

• **ssl_options** *(ssl.SSLContext)* – ssl.SSLContext object for use in simple_httpclient (unsupported by curl_httpclient). Overrides validate_cert, ca_certs, client_key, and client_cert.

• **allow_ipv6** *(bool)* – Use IPv6 when available? Default is True.

• **expect_100_continue** *(bool)* – If true, send the Expect: 100-continue header and wait for a continue response before sending the request body. Only supported with simple_httpclient.

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**Note:** When using curl_httpclient certain options may be inherited by subsequent fetches because pycurl does not allow them to be cleanly reset. This applies to the ca_certs, client_key, client_cert, and network_interface arguments. If you use these options, you should pass them on every request (you don’t have to always use the same values, but it’s not possible to mix requests that specify these options with ones that use the defaults).

New in version 3.1: The auth_mode argument.

New in version 4.0: The body_producer and expect_100_continue arguments.

New in version 4.2: The ssl_options argument.

New in version 4.5: The proxy_auth_mode argument.

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### Response objects


HTTP Response object.

Attributes:

• **request**: HTTPRequest object

• **code**: numeric HTTP status code, e.g. 200 or 404

• **reason**: human-readable reason phrase describing the status code

• **headers**: `tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders` object

• **effective_url**: final location of the resource after following any redirects

• **buffer**: cStringIO object for response body

• **body**: response body as bytes (created on demand from self.buffer)
• error: Exception object, if any

• request_time: seconds from request start to finish. Includes all network operations from DNS resolution to receiving the last byte of data. Does not include time spent in the queue (due to the max_clients option). If redirects were followed, only includes the final request.

• start_time: Time at which the HTTP operation started, based on time.time (not the monotonic clock used by IOLoop.time). May be None if the request timed out while in the queue.

• time_info: dictionary of diagnostic timing information from the request. Available data are subject to change, but currently uses timings available from http://curl.haxx.se/libcurl/c/curl_easy_getinfo.html, plus queue, which is the delay (if any) introduced by waiting for a slot under AsyncHTTPClient’s max_clients setting.

New in version 5.1: Added the start_time attribute.

Changed in version 5.1: The request_time attribute previously included time spent in the queue for simple_httpclient, but not in curl_httpclient. Now queueing time is excluded in both implementations. request_time is now more accurate for curl_httpclient because it uses a monotonic clock when available.

rethrow() \rightarrow \text{None}

If there was an error on the request, raise an \text{HTTPError}.

Exceptions

\text{exception} tornado.httpclient.HTTPClientError(\text{code}: \text{int}, \text{message}: \text{Optional}[\text{str}] = \text{None}, \text{response}: \text{Optional}[\text{tornado.httpclient.HTTPResponse}] = \text{None})

Exception thrown for an unsuccessful HTTP request.

Attributes:

• code - HTTP error integer error code, e.g. 404. Error code 599 is used when no HTTP response was received, e.g. for a timeout.

• response - \text{HTTPResponse} object, if any.

Note that if follow_redirects is False, redirects become \text{HTTPError}s, and you can look at error. response.headers['Location'] to see the destination of the redirect.

Changed in version 5.1: Renamed from \text{HTTPError} to \text{HTTPClientError} to avoid collisions with \text{tornado.web.HTTPError}. The name \text{tornado.httpclient.HTTPError} remains as an alias.

\text{exception} tornado.httpclient.HTTPError

Alias for \text{HTTPClientError}.

Command-line interface

This module provides a simple command-line interface to fetch a url using Tornado’s HTTP client. Example usage:

```python
# Fetch the url and print its body
python -m tornado.httpclient http://www.google.com

# Just print the headers
python -m tornado.httpclient --print_headers --print_body=false http://www.google.com
```
Implementations

```python
class tornado.simple_httpclient.SimpleAsyncHTTPClient (force_instance: bool = False, **kwargs: Any)
```

Non-blocking HTTP client with no external dependencies.

This class implements an HTTP 1.1 client on top of Tornado’s IOStreams. Some features found in the curl-based AsyncHTTPClient are not yet supported. In particular, proxies are not supported, connections are not reused, and callers cannot select the network interface to be used.

```python
initialize (max_clients: int = 10, hostname_mapping: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, max_buffer_size: int = 104857600, resolver: Optional[tornado.netutil.Resolver] = None, defaults: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, max_header_size: Optional[int] = None, max_body_size: Optional[int] = None) -> None
```

Creates a AsyncHTTPClient.

Only a single AsyncHTTPClient instance exists per IOLoop in order to provide limitations on the number of pending connections. force_instance=True may be used to suppress this behavior.

Note that because of this implicit reuse, unless force_instance is used, only the first call to the constructor actually uses its arguments. It is recommended to use the configure method instead of the constructor to ensure that arguments take effect.

max_clients is the number of concurrent requests that can be in progress; when this limit is reached additional requests will be queued. Note that time spent waiting in this queue still counts against the request_timeout.

hostname_mapping is a dictionary mapping hostnames to IP addresses. It can be used to make local DNS changes when modifying system-wide settings like /etc/hosts is not possible or desirable (e.g. in unittests).

max_buffer_size (default 100MB) is the number of bytes that can be read into memory at once.
max_body_size (defaults to max_buffer_size) is the largest response body that the client will accept. Without a streaming_callback, the smaller of these two limits applies; with a streaming_callback only max_body_size does.

Changed in version 4.2: Added the max_body_size argument.

```python
class tornado.curl_httpclient.CurlAsyncHTTPClient (max_clients=10, defaults=None)
```

libcurl-based HTTP client.

Example Code

- A simple webspider shows how to fetch URLs concurrently.
- The file uploader demo uses either HTTP POST or HTTP PUT to upload files to a server.

6.3.3 tornado.httputil — Manipulate HTTP headers and URLs

HTTP utility code shared by clients and servers.

This module also defines the HTTPServerRequest class which is exposed via tornado.web. RequestHandler.request.

```python
class tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders (__arg: Mapping[str, List[str]])
class tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders (__arg: Mapping[str, str])
class tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders (*args: Tuple[str, str])
```
The `HTTPHeaders` class maintains Http-Header-Case for all keys. It supports multiple values per key via a pair of new methods, `add()` and `get_list()`. The regular dictionary interface returns a single value per key, with multiple values joined by a comma.

```python
>>> h = HTTPHeaders({"content-type": "text/html"})
>>> list(h.keys())
['Content-Type']
>>> h["Content-Type"]
'text/html'

>>> h.add("Set-Cookie", "A=B")
>>> h.add("Set-Cookie", "C=D")
>>> h["set-cookie"]
'A=B,C=D'
>>> h.get_list("set-cookie")
['A=B', 'C=D']
```

```python
>>> for (k,v) in sorted(h.get_all()):
...     print("%s: %s" % (k,v))
...
Content-Type: text/html
Set-Cookie: A=B
Set-Cookie: C=D
```

**add**(name: str, value: str) → None

Adds a new value for the given key.

**get_list**(name: str) → List[str]

Returns all values for the given header as a list.

**get_all()** → Iterable[Tuple[str, str]]

Returns an iterable of all (name, value) pairs.

If a header has multiple values, multiple pairs will be returned with the same name.

**parse_line**(line: str) → None

Updates the dictionary with a single header line.

```python
>>> h = HTTPHeaders()
>>> h.parse_line("Content-Type: text/html")
>>> h.get("content-type")
'text/html'
```

**classmethod parse**(headers: str) → tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders

Returns a dictionary from HTTP header text.

```python
>>> h = HTTPHeaders.parse("Content-Type: text/html\n\nContent-Length: 42\n")
>>> sorted(h.items())
[('Content-Length', '42'), ('Content-Type', 'text/html')]
```

Changed in version 5.1: Raises `HTTPInputError` on malformed headers instead of a mix of `KeyError`, `and` `ValueError.`

A single HTTP request.
All attributes are type str unless otherwise noted.

method
    HTTP request method, e.g. “GET” or “POST”

uri
    The requested uri.

path
    The path portion of uri

query
    The query portion of uri

version
    HTTP version specified in request, e.g. “HTTP/1.1”

headers
    HTTPHeaders dictionary-like object for request headers. Acts like a case-insensitive dictionary with additional methods for repeated headers.

body
    Request body, if present, as a byte string.

remote_ip
    Client’s IP address as a string. If HTTPServer.xheaders is set, will pass along the real IP address provided by a load balancer in the X-Real-Ip or X-Forwarded-For header.

Changed in version 3.1: The list format of X-Forwarded-For is now supported.

protocol
    The protocol used, either “http” or “https”. If HTTPServer.xheaders is set, will pass along the protocol used by a load balancer if reported via an X-Scheme header.

host
    The requested hostname, usually taken from the Host header.

arguments
    GET/POST arguments are available in the arguments property, which maps arguments names to lists of values (to support multiple values for individual names). Names are of type str, while arguments are byte strings. Note that this is different from RequestHandler.get_argument, which returns argument values as unicode strings.

query_arguments
    Same format as arguments, but contains only arguments extracted from the query string.
    New in version 3.2.

body_arguments
    Same format as arguments, but contains only arguments extracted from the request body.
New in version 3.2.

files
File uploads are available in the files property, which maps file names to lists of HTTPFile.

collection
An HTTP request is attached to a single HTTP connection, which can be accessed through the “connection” attribute. Since connections are typically kept open in HTTP/1.1, multiple requests can be handled sequentially on a single connection.

Changed in version 4.0: Moved from tornado.httpserver.HTTPRequest.

property cookies
A dictionary of http.cookies.Morsel objects.

full_url() → str
Reconstructs the full URL for this request.

request_time() → float
Returns the amount of time it took for this request to execute.

generate_ssl_certificate(binary_form: bool = False) → Union[None, Dict, bytes]
Returns the client’s SSL certificate, if any.

To use client certificates, the HTTPServer’s ssl.SSLContext.verify_mode field must be set, e.g.:

```
sssl_ctx = ssl.create_default_context(ssl.Purpose.CLIENT_AUTH)
sssl_ctx.load_cert_chain("foo.crt", "foo.key")
sssl_ctx.load_verify_locations("cacerts.pem")
sssl_ctx.verify_mode = ssl.CERT_REQUIRED
server = HTTPServer(app, ssl_options=ssl_ctx)
```

By default, the return value is a dictionary (or None, if no client certificate is present). If binary_form is true, a DER-encoded form of the certificate is returned instead. See SSLSocket.getpeercert() in the standard library for more details. http://docs.python.org/library/ssl.html#sslsocket-objects

exception tornado.httputil.HTTPInputError
Exception class for malformed HTTP requests or responses from remote sources.

New in version 4.0.

exception tornado.httputil.HTTPOutputError
Exception class for errors in HTTP output.

New in version 4.0.

class tornado.httputil.HTTPServerConnectionDelegate
Implement this interface to handle requests from HTTPServer.

New in version 4.0.

start_request(server_conn: object, request_conn: tornado.httputil.HTTPConnection) → tornado.httputil.HTTPMessageDelegate
This method is called by the server when a new request has started.

Parameters

- server_conn – is an opaque object representing the long-lived (e.g. tcp-level) connection.
- request_conn – is a HTTPConnection object for a single request/response exchange.

This method should return a HTTPMessageDelegate.
on_close (server_conn: object) → None
This method is called when a connection has been closed.

Parameters

- **server_conn** – is a server connection that has previously been passed to start_request.

class tornado.httputil.HTTPMessageDelegate
Implement this interface to handle an HTTP request or response.

New in version 4.0.

headers_received (start_line: Union[RequestStartLine, ResponseStartLine], headers: tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders) → Optional[Awaitable[None]]
Called when the HTTP headers have been received and parsed.

Parameters

- **start_line** – a RequestStartLine or ResponseStartLine depending on whether this is a client or server message.
- **headers** – a HttpHeaders instance.

Some HTTPConnection methods can only be called during headers_received.

May return a Future; if it does the body will not be read until it is done.

data_received (chunk: bytes) → Optional[Awaitable[None]]
Called when a chunk of data has been received.

May return a Future for flow control.

finish () → None
Called after the last chunk of data has been received.

on_connection_close () → None
Called if the connection is closed without finishing the request.

If headers_received is called, either finish or on_connection_close will be called, but not both.

class tornado.httputil.HTTPConnection
Applications use this interface to write their responses.

New in version 4.0.

write_headers (start_line: Union[RequestStartLine, ResponseStartLine], headers: tornado.httputil.HTTPHeaders, chunk: Optional[bytes] = None) → Future[None]
Write an HTTP header block.

Parameters

- **start_line** – a RequestStartLine or ResponseStartLine.
- **headers** – a HttpHeaders instance.
- **chunk** – the first (optional) chunk of data. This is an optimization so that small responses can be written in the same call as their headers.

The version field of start_line is ignored.

Returns a future for flow control.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed.

write (chunk: bytes) → Future[None]
Writes a chunk of body data.
Returns a future for flow control.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed.

```
def finish() -> None
    Indicates that the last body data has been written.
```

tornado.httputil.url_concat(url: str, args: Union[None, Dict[str, str], List[Tuple[str, str]], Tuple[Tuple[str, str], ...]]) -> str

Concatenate url and arguments regardless of whether url has existing query parameters.

args may be either a dictionary or a list of key-value pairs (the latter allows for multiple values with the same key).

```
>>> url_concat("http://example.com/foo", dict(c="d"))
'http://example.com/foo?c=d'
>>> url_concat("http://example.com/foo?a=b", dict(c="d"))
'http://example.com/foo?a=b&c=d'
>>> url_concat("http://example.com/foo?a=b", ["c", "d"], ("c", "d2")
'http://example.com/foo?a=b&c=d&c=d2'
```

class tornado.httputil.HTTPFile

Represents a file uploaded via a form.

For backwards compatibility, its instance attributes are also accessible as dictionary keys.

- filename
- body
- content_type

```
```

Parses a form request body.

Supports application/x-www-form-urlencoded and multipart/form-data. The content_type parameter should be a string and body should be a byte string. The arguments and files parameters are dictionaries that will be updated with the parsed contents.

```
tornado.httputil.parse_multipart_form_data(boundary: bytes, data: bytes, arguments: Dict[str, List[bytes]], files: Dict[str, List[tornado.httputil.HTTPFile]]) -> None
```

Parses a multipart/form-data body.

The boundary and data parameters are both byte strings. The dictionaries given in the arguments and files parameters will be updated with the contents of the body.

Changed in version 5.1: Now recognizes non-ASCII filenames in RFC 2231/5987 (filename=) format.

```
tornado.httputil.format_timestamp(ts: Union[int, float, tuple, time.struct_time, datetime.datetime]) -> str
```

Formats a timestamp in the format used by HTTP.

The argument may be a numeric timestamp as returned by time.time, a time tuple as returned by time.gmtime, or a datetime.datetime object.

```
>>> format_timestamp(1359312200)
'Sun, 27 Jan 2013 18:43:20 GMT'
```
class tornado.httputil.RequestStartLine(method, path, version)
    RequestStartLine(method, path, version)
    Create new instance of RequestStartLine(method, path, version)

    property method
        Alias for field number 0

    property path
        Alias for field number 1

    property version
        Alias for field number 2

tornado.httputil.parse_request_start_line(line: str) \n    \nReturns a (method, path, version) tuple for an HTTP 1.x request line.

    The response is a collections.namedtuple.

>>> parse_request_start_line("GET /foo HTTP/1.1")
    RequestStartLine(method='GET', path='/foo', version='HTTP/1.1')

class tornado.httputil.ResponseStartLine(version, code, reason)
    ResponseStartLine(version, code, reason)
    Create new instance of ResponseStartLine(version, code, reason)

    property code
        Alias for field number 1

    property reason
        Alias for field number 2

    property version
        Alias for field number 0

tornado.httputil.parse_response_start_line(line: str) \n    \nReturns a (version, code, reason) tuple for an HTTP 1.x response line.

    The response is a collections.namedtuple.

>>> parse_response_start_line("HTTP/1.1 200 OK")
    ResponseStartLine(version='HTTP/1.1', code=200, reason='OK')

tornado.httputil.encode_username_password(username: Union[str, bytes], password: Union[str, bytes]) \n    \nEncodes a username/password pair in the format used by HTTP auth.

    The return value is a byte string in the form username:password.

    New in version 5.1.

tornado.httputil.split_host_and_port(netloc: str) \n    \nReturns (host, port) tuple from netloc.

    Returned port will be None if not present.

    New in version 4.1.

tornado.httputil.qs_to_qsl(qs: Dict[str, List]) \n    \nGenerator converting a result of parse_qs back to name-value pairs.

    New in version 5.0.
tornado.httputil.parse_cookie(cookie: str) → Dict[str, str]

Parse a Cookie HTTP header into a dict of name/value pairs.

This function attempts to mimic browser cookie parsing behavior; it specifically does not follow any of the
cookie-related RFCs (because browsers don’t either).

The algorithm used is identical to that used by Django version 1.9.10.

New in version 4.4.2.

6.3.4 tornado.http1connection – HTTP/1.x client/server implementation

Client and server implementations of HTTP/1.x.

New in version 4.0.

class tornado.http1connection.HTTP1ConnectionParameters

Parameters for HTTP1Connection and HTTP1ServerConnection.

Parameters

- no_keep_alive (bool) – If true, always close the connection after one request.
- chunk_size (int) – how much data to read into memory at once
- max_header_size (int) – maximum amount of data for HTTP headers
- header_timeout (float) – how long to wait for all headers (seconds)
- max_body_size (int) – maximum amount of data for body
- body_timeout (float) – how long to wait while reading body (seconds)
- decompress (bool) – if true, decode incoming Content-Encoding: gzip

class tornado.http1connection.HTTP1Connection

Implements the HTTP/1.x protocol.

This class can be on its own for clients, or via HTTP1ServerConnection for servers.

Parameters

- stream – an IOSTream
- is_client (bool) – client or server
- params – a HTTP1ConnectionParameters instance or None
• **context** – an opaque application-defined object that can be accessed as `connection.context`.

**read_response** (*delegate*: `tornado.httputil.HTTPMessageDelegate*) → `Awaitable[bool]`
Read a single HTTP response.

Typical client-mode usage is to write a request using `write_headers`, `write`, and `finish`, and then call `read_response`.

**Parameters**
- `delegate` – a `HTTPMessageDelegate`

Returns a `Future` that resolves to a bool after the full response has been read. The result is true if the stream is still open.

**set_close_callback** (*callback*: `Optional[Callable[], None]*) → `None`
Sets a callback that will be run when the connection is closed.

Note that this callback is slightly different from `HTTPMessageDelegate.on_connection_close`: The `HTTPMessageDelegate` method is called when the connection is closed while receiving a message. This callback is used when there is not an active delegate (for example, on the server side this callback is used if the client closes the connection after sending its request but before receiving all the response.

**detach** () → `tornado.iostream.IOStream`
Take control of the underlying stream.

Returns the underlying `IOStream` object and stops all further HTTP processing. May only be called during `HTTPMessageDelegate.headers_received`. Intended for implementing protocols like websockets that tunnel over an HTTP handshake.

**set_body_timeout** (*timeout*: `float`) → `None`
Sets the body timeout for a single request.

Overrides the value from `HTTP1ConnectionParameters`.

**set_max_body_size** (*max_body_size*: `int`) → `None`
Sets the body size limit for a single request.

Overrides the value from `HTTP1ConnectionParameters`.

Implements `HTTPConnection.write_headers`.

**write** (*chunk*: `bytes`) → `Future[None]`
Implements `HTTPConnection.write`.

For backwards compatibility it is allowed but deprecated to skip `write_headers` and instead call `write()` with a pre-encoded header block.

**finish** () → `None`
Implements `HTTPConnection.finish`.


An HTTP/1.x server.

**Parameters**
• **stream** – an `IOStream`
• **params** – a `HTTP1ConnectionParameters` or None
• **context** – an opaque application-defined object that is accessible as connection.

```python
coroutine close() → None
Closes the connection.
```

Returns a `Future` that resolves after the serving loop has exited.

```python
start_serving(delegate: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerConnectionDelegate) → None
Starts serving requests on this connection.
```

**Parameters delegate** – a `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate`

## 6.4 Asynchronous networking

### 6.4.1 tornado.ioloop — Main event loop

An I/O event loop for non-blocking sockets.

In Tornado 6.0, `IOLoop` is a wrapper around the `asyncio` event loop, with a slightly different interface for historical reasons. Applications can use either the `IOLoop` interface or the underlying `asyncio` event loop directly (unless compatibility with older versions of Tornado is desired, in which case `IOLoop` must be used).

Typical applications will use a single `IOLoop` object, accessed via `IOLoop.current` class method. The `IOLoop.start` method (or equivalently, `asyncio.AbstractEventLoop.run_forever`) should usually be called at the end of the `main()` function. Atypical applications may use more than one `IOLoop`, such as one `IOLoop` per thread, or per `unittest` case.

### IOLoop objects

```python
class tornado.ioloop.IOLoop(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
An I/O event loop.
```

As of Tornado 6.0, `IOLoop` is a wrapper around the `asyncio` event loop.

Example usage for a simple TCP server:

```python
import errno
import functools
import socket
import tornado.ioloop
from tornado.iostream import IOStream

async def handle_connection(connection, address):
    stream = IOStream(connection)
    message = await stream.read_until_close()
    print("message from client:", message.decode().strip())

def connection_ready(sock, fd, events):
    while True:
        try:
            connection, address = sock.accept()
```

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except BlockingIOError:
    return
connection.setblocking(0)
ioloop = tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current()
ioloop.spawn_callback(handle_connection, connection, address)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM, 0)
    sock.setsockopt(socket.SOL_SOCKET, socket.SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
    sock.setblocking(0)
    sock.bind(('', 8888))
    sock.listen(128)

    ioloop = tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current()
    callback = functools.partial(connection_ready, sock)
    ioloop.add_handler(sock.fileno(), callback, ioloop.READ)
    ioloop.start()

By default, a newly-constructed IOLoop becomes the thread’s current IOLoop, unless there already is a current IOLoop. This behavior can be controlled with the make_current argument to the IOLoop constructor: if make_current=True, the new IOLoop will always try to become current and it raises an error if there is already a current instance. If make_current=False, the new IOLoop will not try to become current.

In general, an IOLoop cannot survive a fork or be shared across processes in any way. When multiple processes are being used, each process should create its own IOLoop, which also implies that any objects which depend on the IOLoop (such as AsyncHTTPClient) must also be created in the child processes. As a guideline, anything that starts processes (including the tornado.process and multiprocessing modules) should do so as early as possible, ideally the first thing the application does after loading its configuration in main().

Changed in version 4.2: Added the make_current keyword argument to the IOLoop constructor.

Changed in version 5.0: Uses the asyncio event loop by default. The IOLoop.configure method cannot be used on Python 3 except to redundantly specify the asyncio event loop.

Running an IOLoop

static IOLoop.current() → IOLoop

static IOLoop.current(instance: bool = True) → Optional[IOLoop]

Returns the current thread’s IOLoop.

If an IOLoop is currently running or has been marked as current by make_current, returns that instance. If there is no current IOLoop and instance is true, creates one.

Changed in version 4.1: Added instance argument to control the fallback to IOLoop.instance().

Changed in version 5.0: On Python 3, control of the current IOLoop is delegated to asyncio, with this and other methods as pass-through accessors. The instance argument now controls whether an IOLoop is created automatically when there is none, instead of whether we fall back to IOLoop.instance() (which is now an alias for this method). instance=False is deprecated, since even if we do not create an IOLoop, this method may initialize the asyncio loop.

IOLoop.make_current() → None

Makes this the IOLoop for the current thread.

An IOLoop automatically becomes current for its thread when it is started, but it is sometimes useful to call make_current explicitly before starting the IOLoop, so that code run at startup time can find the right instance.
Changed in version 4.1: An `IOLoop` created while there is no current `IOLoop` will automatically become current.

Changed in version 5.0: This method also sets the current `asyncio` event loop.

```python
static IOLoop.clear_current() → None
```

Clears the `IOLoop` for the current thread.

Intended primarily for use by test frameworks in between tests.

Changed in version 5.0: This method also clears the current `asyncio` event loop.

```python
IOLoop.start() → None
```

Starts the I/O loop.

The loop will run until one of the callbacks calls `stop()`, which will make the loop stop after the current event iteration completes.

```python
IOLoop.stop() → None
```

Stop the I/O loop.

If the event loop is not currently running, the next call to `start()` will return immediately.

Note that even after `stop` has been called, the `IOLoop` is not completely stopped until `IOLoop.start` has also returned. Some work that was scheduled before the call to `stop` may still be run before the `IOLoop` shuts down.

```python
IOLoop.run_sync (func: Callable, timeout: Optional[float] = None) → Any
```

Starts the `IOLoop`, runs the given function, and stops the loop.

The function must return either an awaitable object or `None`. If the function returns an awaitable object, the `IOLoop` will run until the awaitable is resolved (and `run_sync()` will return the awaitable’s result). If it raises an exception, the `IOLoop` will stop and the exception will be re-raised to the caller.

The keyword-only argument `timeout` may be used to set a maximum duration for the function. If the timeout expires, a `tornado.util.TimeoutError` is raised.

This method is useful to allow asynchronous calls in a `main()` function:

```
async def main():
    # do stuff...

if __name__ == '__main__':
    IOLoop.current().run_sync(main)
```

Changed in version 4.3: Returning a non-`None`, non-awaitable value is now an error.

Changed in version 5.0: If a timeout occurs, the `func` coroutine will be cancelled.

```python
IOLoop.close (all_fds: bool = False) → None
```

Closes the `IOLoop`, freeing any resources used.

If `all_fds` is true, all file descriptors registered on the `IOLoop` will be closed (not just the ones created by the `IOLoop` itself).

Many applications will only use a single `IOLoop` that runs for the entire lifetime of the process. In that case closing the `IOLoop` is not necessary since everything will be cleaned up when the process exits. `IOLoop.close` is provided mainly for scenarios such as unit tests, which create and destroy a large number of `IOLoops`.

An `IOLoop` must be completely stopped before it can be closed. This means that `IOLoop.stop()` must be called and `IOLoop.start()` must be allowed to return before attempting to call `IOLoop.close()`. Therefore the call to `close` will usually appear just after the call to `start` rather than near the call to `stop`. 

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Changed in version 3.1: If the `IOLoop` implementation supports non-integer objects for "file descriptors", those objects will have their `close` method when `all_fds` is true.

```python
class StaticIOLoop():
    pass
```

Deprecation: For backwards-compatibility, `StaticIOLoop` is provided as a base class for `IOLoop`. It is not recommended to use this class in new code.

```python
static IOLoop.instance() -> tornado.ioloop.IOLoop
```

Deprecation alias for `IOLoop.current()`. Changed in version 5.0: Previously, this method returned a global singleton `IOLoop`, in contrast with the per-thread `IOLoop` returned by `current()`. In nearly all cases the two were the same (when they differed, it was generally used from non-Tornado threads to communicate back to the main thread’s `IOLoop`). This distinction is not present in `asyncio`, so in order to facilitate integration with that package `instance()` was changed to be an alias to `current()`. Applications using the cross-thread communications aspect of `instance()` should instead set their own global variable to point to the `IOLoop` they want to use.

```python
IOLoop.install() -> None
```

Deprecated alias for `make_current()`. Changed in version 5.0: Previously, this method would set this `IOLoop` as the global singleton used by `IOLoop.instance()`. Now that `instance()` is an alias for `current()`, `install()` is an alias for `make_current()`.

```python
static IOLoop.clear_instance() -> None
```

Deprecated alias for `clear_current()`. Changed in version 5.0: Previously, this method would clear the `IOLoop` used as the global singleton by `IOLoop.instance()`. Now that `instance()` is an alias for `current()`, `clear_instance()` is an alias for `clear_current()`.

**I/O events**

```python
IOLoop.add_handler(fd: int, handler: Callable[[int, int], None], events: int) -> None
IOLoop.add_handler(fd: _S, handler: Callable[[_S, int], None], events: int) -> None
```

Registers the given handler to receive the given events for `fd`.

The `fd` argument may either be an integer file descriptor or a file-like object with a `fileno()` and `close()` method.

The `events` argument is a bitwise or of the constants `IOLoop.READ`, `IOLoop.WRITE`, and `IOLoop.ERROR`.

When an event occurs, `handler(fd, events)` will be run.

Changed in version 4.0: Added the ability to pass file-like objects in addition to raw file descriptors.

```python
IOLoop.update_handler(fd: Union[int, tornado.ioloop._Selectable], events: int) -> None
```

Changes the events we listen for `fd`.

Changed in version 4.0: Added the ability to pass file-like objects in addition to raw file descriptors.

```python
IOLoop.remove_handler(fd: Union[int, tornado.ioloop._Selectable]) -> None
```

Stop listening for events on `fd`.

Changed in version 4.0: Added the ability to pass file-like objects in addition to raw file descriptors.
Callbacks and timeouts

`IOLoop.add_callback(callback: Callable, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → None`

Calls the given callback on the next I/O loop iteration.

It is safe to call this method from any thread at any time, except from a signal handler. Note that this is the only method in `IOLoop` that makes this thread-safety guarantee; all other interaction with the `IOLoop` must be done from that `IOLoop`'s thread. `add_callback()` may be used to transfer control from other threads to the `IOLoop`'s thread.

To add a callback from a signal handler, see `add_callback_from_signal`.

`IOLoop.add_callback_from_signal(callback: Callable, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → None`

Calls the given callback on the next I/O loop iteration.

Safe for use from a Python signal handler; should not be used otherwise.

`IOLoop.add_future(future: Union[Future[_T], concurrent.futures.Future[_T]], callback: Callable[[Future[_T]], None], *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → None`

Schedules a callback on the `IOLoop` when the given `Future` is finished.

The callback is invoked with one argument, the `Future`.

This method only accepts `Future` objects and not other awaitables (unlike most of Tornado where the two are interchangeable).

`IOLoop.add_timeout(deadline: Union[float, datetime.timedelta], callback: Callable[...], *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → object`

Runs the callback at the time `deadline` from the I/O loop.

Returns an opaque handle that may be passed to `remove_timeout` to cancel.

deadline may be a number denoting a time (on the same scale as `IOLoop.time`, normally `time.time`), or a `datetime.timedelta` object for a deadline relative to the current time. Since Tornado 4.0, `call_later` is a more convenient alternative for the relative case since it does not require a timedelta object.

Note that it is not safe to call `add_timeout` from other threads. Instead, you must use `add_callback` to transfer control to the `IOLoop`'s thread, and then call `add_timeout` from there.

Subclasses of `IOLoop` must implement either `add_timeout` or `call_at`; the default implementations of each will call the other. `call_at` is usually easier to implement, but subclasses that wish to maintain compatibility with Tornado versions prior to 4.0 must use `add_timeout` instead.

Changed in version 4.0: Now passes through `*args` and `**kwargs` to the callback.

`IOLoop.call_at(when: float, callback: Callable[...], *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → object`

Runs the callback at the absolute time designated by when.

when must be a number using the same reference point as `IOLoop.time`.

Returns an opaque handle that may be passed to `remove_timeout` to cancel. Note that unlike the asyncio method of the same name, the returned object does not have a `cancel()` method.

See `add_timeout` for comments on thread-safety and subclassing.

New in version 4.0.

`IOLoop.call_later(delay: float, callback: Callable[...], *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → object`

Runs the callback after `delay` seconds have passed.

Returns an opaque handle that may be passed to `remove_timeout` to cancel. Note that unlike the asyncio method of the same name, the returned object does not have a `cancel()` method.

See `add_timeout` for comments on thread-safety and subclassing.
New in version 4.0.

```python
IOLoop.remove_timeout(timeout: object) → None
```
Cancels a pending timeout.

The argument is a handle as returned by `add_timeout`. It is safe to call `remove_timeout` even if the callback has already been run.

```python
IOLoop.spawn_callback(callback: Callable, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → None
```
Calls the given callback on the next IOLoop iteration.

As of Tornado 6.0, this method is equivalent to `add_callback`.

New in version 4.0.

```python
IOLoop.run_in_executor(executor: Optional[concurrent.futures.Executor], func: Callable[..., _T], *args: Any) → Awaitable[_T]
```
Runs a function in a `concurrent.futures.Executor`. If `executor` is `None`, the IO loop’s default executor will be used.

Use `functools.partial` to pass keyword arguments to `func`.

New in version 5.0.

```python
IOLoop.set_default_executor(executor: concurrent.futures.Executor) → None
```
Sets the default executor to use with `run_in_executor()`.

New in version 5.0.

```python
IOLoop.time() → float
```
Returns the current time according to the `IOLoop`’s clock.

The return value is a floating-point number relative to an unspecified time in the past.

Historically, the `IOLoop` could be customized to use e.g. `time.monotonic` instead of `time.time`, but this is not currently supported and so this method is equivalent to `time.time`.

```python
class tornado.ioloop.PeriodicCallback(callback: Callable[], None], callback_time: float, jitter: float = 0)
```
Schedules the given callback to be called periodically.

The callback is called every `callback_time` milliseconds. Note that the timeout is given in milliseconds, while most other time-related functions in Tornado use seconds.

If `jitter` is specified, each callback time will be randomly selected within a window of `jitter * callback_time` milliseconds. Jitter can be used to reduce alignment of events with similar periods. A jitter of 0.1 means allowing a 10% variation in callback time. The window is centered on `callback_time` so the total number of calls within a given interval should not be significantly affected by adding jitter.

If the callback runs for longer than `callback_time` milliseconds, subsequent invocations will be skipped to get back on schedule.

`start` must be called after the `PeriodicCallback` is created.

Changed in version 5.0: The `io_loop` argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Changed in version 5.1: The `jitter` argument is added.

```python
start() → None
```
Starts the timer.

```python
stop() → None
```
Stops the timer.
**is_running() → bool**
Returns True if this PeriodicCallback has been started.
New in version 4.1.

### 6.4.2 tornado.iostream — Convenient wrappers for non-blocking sockets

Utility classes to write to and read from non-blocking files and sockets.

Contents:
- **BaseIOStream**: Generic interface for reading and writing.
- **IOStream**: Implementation of BaseIOStream using non-blocking sockets.
- **SSLIOStream**: SSL-aware version of IOStream.
- **PipeIOStream**: Pipe-based IOStream implementation.

**Base class**

```python
class tornado.iostream.BaseIOStream(max_buffer_size: Optional[int] = None, read_chunk_size: Optional[int] = None, max_write_buffer_size: Optional[int] = None):
```

A utility class to write to and read from a non-blocking file or socket.

We support a non-blocking `write()` and a family of `read_*()` methods. When the operation completes, the Awaitable will resolve with the data read (or None for write()). All outstanding Awaitables will resolve with a `StreamClosedError` when the stream is closed; `BaseIOStream.set_close_callback` can also be used to be notified of a closed stream.

When a stream is closed due to an error, the IOSStream’s `error` attribute contains the exception object.

Subclasses must implement `fileno, close_fd, write_to_fd, read_from_fd`, and optionally `get_fd_error`.

**BaseIOStream constructor.**

**Parameters**

- **max_buffer_size** – Maximum amount of incoming data to buffer; defaults to 100MB.
- **read_chunk_size** – Amount of data to read at one time from the underlying transport; defaults to 64KB.
- **max_write_buffer_size** – Amount of outgoing data to buffer; defaults to unlimited.

Changed in version 4.0: Add the `max_write_buffer_size` parameter. Changed default `read_chunk_size` to 64KB.

Changed in version 5.0: The `io_loop` argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.
Main interface

BaseIostream.write(data: Union[bytes, memoryview]) → Future[None]
    Asynchronously write the given data to this stream.
    This method returns a Future that resolves (with a result of None) when the write has been completed.
    The data argument may be of type bytes or memoryview.
    Changed in version 4.0: Now returns a Future if no callback is given.
    Changed in version 4.5: Added support for memoryview arguments.
    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

BaseIostream.read_bytes(num_bytes: int, partial: bool = False) → Awaitable[bytes]
    Asynchronously read a number of bytes.
    If partial is true, data is returned as soon as we have any bytes to return (but never more than num_bytes).
    Changed in version 4.0: Added the partial argument. The callback argument is now optional and a Future will be returned if it is omitted.
    Changed in version 6.0: The callback and streaming_callback arguments have been removed. Use the returned Future (and partial=True for streaming_callback) instead.

BaseIostream.read_into(buf: bytearray, partial: bool = False) → Awaitable[int]
    Asynchronously read a number of bytes.
    buf must be a writable buffer into which data will be read.
    If partial is true, the callback is run as soon as any bytes have been read. Otherwise, it is run when the buf has been entirely filled with read data.
    New in version 5.0.
    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

BaseIostream.read_until(delimiter: bytes, max_bytes: Optional[int] = None) → Awaitable[bytes]
    Asynchronously read until we have found the given delimiter.
    The result includes all the data read including the delimiter.
    If max_bytes is not None, the connection will be closed if more than max_bytes bytes have been read and the delimiter is not found.
    Changed in version 4.0: Added the max_bytes argument. The callback argument is now optional and a Future will be returned if it is omitted.
    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

BaseIostream.read_until_regex(regex: bytes, max_bytes: Optional[int] = None) → Awaitable[bytes]
    Asynchronously read until we have matched the given regex.
    The result includes the data that matches the regex and anything that came before it.
    If max_bytes is not None, the connection will be closed if more than max_bytes bytes have been read and the regex is not satisfied.
    Changed in version 4.0: Added the max_bytes argument. The callback argument is now optional and a Future will be returned if it is omitted.
    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

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BaseIOStream.read_until_close() → Awaitable[bytes]
Asynchronously reads all data from the socket until it is closed.

This will buffer all available data until max_buffer_size is reached. If flow control or cancellation are desired, use a loop with read_bytes(partial=True) instead.

Changed in version 4.0: The callback argument is now optional and a Future will be returned if it is omitted.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback and streaming_callback arguments have been removed. Use the returned Future and read_bytes with partial=True for streaming_callback instead.

BaseIOStream.close(exc_info: Union[None, bool, BaseException, Tuple[Optional[Type[BaseException]], Optional[BaseException], Optional[traceback]]] = False) → None
Close this stream.

If exc_info is true, set the error attribute to the current exception from sys.exc_info (or if exc_info is a tuple, use that instead of sys.exc_info).

BaseIOStream.set_close_callback (callback: Optional[Callable[[], None]]) → None
Call the given callback when the stream is closed.

This mostly is not necessary for applications that use the Future interface; all outstanding Futures will resolve with a StreamClosedError when the stream is closed. However, it is still useful as a way to signal that the stream has been closed while no other read or write is in progress.

Unlike other callback-based interfaces, set_close_callback was not removed in Tornado 6.0.

BaseIOStream.closed() → bool
Returns True if the stream has been closed.

BaseIOStream.reading() → bool
Returns True if we are currently reading from the stream.

BaseIOStream.writing() → bool
Returns True if we are currently writing to the stream.

BaseIOStream.set_nodelay (value: bool) → None
Sets the no-delay flag for this stream.

By default, data written to TCP streams may be held for a time to make the most efficient use of bandwidth (according to Nagle’s algorithm). The no-delay flag requests that data be written as soon as possible, even if doing so would consume additional bandwidth.

This flag is currently defined only for TCP-based IOStreams.

New in version 3.1.

Methods for subclasses

BaseIOStream.fileno() → Union[int, tornado.ioloop._Selectable]
Returns the file descriptor for this stream.

BaseIOStream.close_fd() → None
Closes the file underlying this stream.

close_fd is called by BaseIOStream and should not be called elsewhere; other users should call close instead.

BaseIOStream.write_to_fd(data: memoryview) → int
Attempts to write data to the underlying file.

Returns the number of bytes written.
**BaseIOStream.read_from_fd** (buf: Union[bytearray, memoryview]) → Optional[int]

Attempts to read from the underlying file.

Reads up to `len(buf)` bytes, storing them in the buffer. Returns the number of bytes read. Returns None if there was nothing to read (the socket returned EWOULDBLOCK or equivalent), and zero on EOF.

Changed in version 5.0: Interface redesigned to take a buffer and return a number of bytes instead of a freshly-allocated object.

**BaseIOStream.get_fd_error** () → Optional[Exception]

Retrieves information about any error on the underlying file.

This method is called after the IOLoop has signaled an error on the file descriptor, and should return an Exception (such as `socket.error` with additional information, or None if no such information is available).

### Implementations

**class tornado.iostream.IOStream** (socket: socket.socket, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Socket-based IOStream implementation.

This class supports the read and write methods from `BaseIOStream` plus a `connect` method.

The `socket` parameter may either be connected or unconnected. For server operations the socket is the result of calling `socket.accept`. For client operations the socket is created with `socket.socket`, and may either be connected before passing it to the `IOStream` or connected via `IOStream.connect`.

A very simple (and broken) HTTP client using this class:

```python
import tornado.ioloop
import tornado.iostream
import socket

async def main():
    s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM, 0)
    stream = tornado.iostream.IOStream(s)
    await stream.connect(('friendfeed.com', 80))
    await stream.write(b'GET / HTTP/1.0
Host: friendfeed.com

')
    header_data = await stream.read_until(b'

')
    headers = {}
    for line in header_data.split(b'
'):
        parts = line.split(b':')
        if len(parts) == 2:
            headers[parts[0].strip()] = parts[1].strip()
    body_data = await stream.read_bytes(int(headers[b'Content-Length']))
    print(body_data)
    stream.close()

if __name__ == '__main__':
    tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current().run_sync(main)
```

**connect** (address: Any, server_hostname: Optional[str] = None) → Future[IOStreamType]

Connects the socket to a remote address without blocking.

May only be called if the socket passed to the constructor was not previously connected. The address parameter is in the same format as for `socket.connect` for the type of socket passed to the IOStream.
constructor, e.g. an (ip, port) tuple. Hostnames are accepted here, but will be resolved synchronously and block the IOLoop. If you have a hostname instead of an IP address, the TCPClient class is recommended instead of calling this method directly. TCPClient will do asynchronous DNS resolution and handle both IPv4 and IPv6.

If callback is specified, it will be called with no arguments when the connection is completed; if not this method returns a Future (whose result after a successful connection will be the stream itself).

In SSL mode, the server_hostname parameter will be used for certificate validation (unless disabled in the ssl_options) and SNI (if supported; requires Python 2.7.9+).

Note that it is safe to call IOStream.write while the connection is pending, in which case the data will be written as soon as the connection is ready. Calling IOStream read methods before the socket is connected works on some platforms but is non-portable.

Changed in version 4.0: If no callback is given, returns a Future.

Changed in version 4.2: SSL certificates are validated by default; pass ssl_options=dict(cert_reqs=ssl.CERT_NONE) or a suitably-configured ssl. SSLContext to the SSLIOStream constructor to disable.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

start_tls (server_side: bool, ssl_options: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], ssl.SSLContext]] = None, server_hostname: Optional[str] = None) → Awaitable[tornado.iostream.SSLIOStream]

Convert this IOStream to an SSLIOStream.

This enables protocols that begin in clear-text mode and switch to SSL after some initial negotiation (such as the STARTTLS extension to SMTP and IMAP).

This method cannot be used if there are outstanding reads or writes on the stream, or if there is any data in the IOStream’s buffer (data in the operating system’s socket buffer is allowed). This means it must generally be used immediately after reading or writing the last clear-text data. It can also be used immediately after connecting, before any reads or writes.

The ssl_options argument may be either an ssl.SSLContext object or a dictionary of keyword arguments for the ssl.wrap_socket function. The server_hostname argument will be used for certificate validation unless disabled in the ssl_options.

This method returns a Future whose result is the new SSLIOStream. After this method has been called, any other operation on the original stream is undefined.

If a close callback is defined on this stream, it will be transferred to the new stream.

New in version 4.0.

Changed in version 4.2: SSL certificates are validated by default; pass ssl_options=dict(cert_reqs=ssl.CERT_NONE) or a suitably-configured ssl. SSLContext to disable.

class tornado.iostream.SSLIOStream(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

A utility class to write to and read from a non-blocking SSL socket.

If the socket passed to the constructor is already connected, it should be wrapped with:

```python
ssl.wrap_socket(sock, do_handshake_on_connect=False, **kwargs)
```

before constructing the SSLIOStream. Unconnected sockets will be wrapped when IOStream.connect is finished.

The ssl_options keyword argument may either be an ssl.SSLContext object or a dictionary of keywords arguments for ssl.wrap_socket.
wait_for_handshake() → Future[SSLIOStream]

Wait for the initial SSL handshake to complete.

If a callback is given, it will be called with no arguments once the handshake is complete; otherwise
this method returns a Future which will resolve to the stream itself after the handshake is complete.

Once the handshake is complete, information such as the peer’s certificate and NPN/ALPN selections may
be accessed on self.socket.

This method is intended for use on server-side streams or after using IOStream.start_tls; it should
not be used with IOStream.connect (which already waits for the handshake to complete). It may only
be called once per stream.

New in version 4.2.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned Future instead.

class tornado.iostream.PipeIOStream(fd: int, *args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Pipe-based IOStream implementation.

The constructor takes an integer file descriptor (such as one returned by os.pipe) rather than an open file
object. Pipes are generally one-way, so a PipeIOStream can be used for reading or writing but not both.

PipeIOStream is only available on Unix-based platforms.

Exceptions

exception tornado.iostream.StreamBufferFullError

Exception raised by IOStream methods when the buffer is full.

exception tornado.iostream.StreamClosedError (real_error: Optional[BaseException] = None)

Exception raised by IOStream methods when the stream is closed.

Note that the close callback is scheduled to run after other callbacks on the stream (to allow for buffered data to
be processed), so you may see this error before you see the close callback.

The real_error attribute contains the underlying error that caused the stream to close (if any).

Changed in version 4.3: Added the real_error attribute.

exception tornado.iostream.UnsatisfiableReadError

Exception raised when a read cannot be satisfied.

Raised by read_until and read_until_regex with a max_bytes argument.

6.4.3 tornado.netutil — Miscellaneous network utilities

Miscellaneous network utility code.

tornado.netutil.bind_sockets(port: int, address: Optional[str] = None, family: socket.AddressFamily = <AddressFamily.AF_UNSPEC: 0>,
backlog: int = 128, flags: Optional[int] = None, reuse_port: bool = False) → List[socket.socket]

Creates listening sockets bound to the given port and address.

Returns a list of socket objects (multiple sockets are returned if the given address maps to multiple IP addresses,
which is most common for mixed IPv4 and IPv6 use).
Address may be either an IP address or hostname. If it’s a hostname, the server will listen on all IP addresses associated with the name. Address may be an empty string or None to listen on all available interfaces. Family may be set to either \texttt{socket.AF_INET} or \texttt{socket.AF_INET6} to restrict to IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, otherwise both will be used if available.

The \texttt{backlog} argument has the same meaning as for \texttt{socket.listen()}.

\texttt{flags} is a bitmask of \texttt{AI_*} flags to \texttt{getaddrinfo}, like \texttt{socket.AI_PASSIVE | socket.AI_NUMERICHOST}.

\texttt{reuse_port} option sets \texttt{SO_REUSEPORT} option for every socket in the list. If your platform doesn’t support this option \texttt{ValueError} will be raised.

\texttt{tornado.netutil.bind_unix_socket} \texttt{(file: str, mode: int = 384, backlog: int = 128) → socket.socket}  

Creates a listening unix socket.

If a socket with the given name already exists, it will be deleted. If any other file with that name exists, an exception will be raised.

Returns a socket object (not a list of socket objects like \texttt{bind_sockets})

\texttt{tornado.netutil.add_accept_handler} \texttt{(sock: socket.socket, callback: Callable[[socket.socket, Any], None] → Callable[], None)}  

Adds an \texttt{IOLoop} event handler to accept new connections on \texttt{sock}.

When a connection is accepted, \texttt{callback(connection, address)} will be run (\texttt{connection} is a socket object, and \texttt{address} is the address of the other end of the connection). Note that this signature is different from the \texttt{callback(fd, events)} signature used for \texttt{IOLoop} handlers.

A callable is returned which, when called, will remove the \texttt{IOLoop} event handler and stop processing further incoming connections.

Changed in version 5.0: The \texttt{io_loop} argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Changed in version 5.0: A callable is returned (\texttt{None} was returned before).

\texttt{tornado.netutil.is_valid_ip} \texttt{(ip: str) → bool}  

Returns \texttt{True} if the given string is a well-formed IP address.

Supports IPv4 and IPv6.

\texttt{class} \texttt{tornado.netutil.Resolver (*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)}  

Configurable asynchronous DNS resolver interface.

By default, a blocking implementation is used (which simply calls \texttt{socket.getaddrinfo}). An alternative implementation can be chosen with the \texttt{Resolver.configure} class method:

\begin{verbatim}
Resolver.configure('tornado.netutil.ThreadedResolver')
\end{verbatim}

The implementations of this interface included with Tornado are

- \texttt{tornado.netutil.DefaultExecutorResolver}
- \texttt{tornado.netutil.BlockingResolver} (deprecated)
- \texttt{tornado.netutil.ThreadedResolver} (deprecated)
- \texttt{tornado.netutil.OverrideResolver}
- \texttt{tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedResolver}
- \texttt{tornado.platform.caresresolver.CaresResolver}

Changed in version 5.0: The default implementation has changed from \texttt{BlockingResolver} to \texttt{DefaultExecutorResolver}.
resolve (host: str, port: int, family: socket.AddressFamily = <AddressFamily.AF_UNSPEC: 0>) → Awaitable[List[Tuple[int, Any]]]

Resolves an address.

The `host` argument is a string which may be a hostname or a literal IP address.

Returns a `Future` whose result is a list of (family, address) pairs, where address is a tuple suitable to pass to `socket.connect` (i.e. a `(host, port)` pair for IPv4; additional fields may be present for IPv6).

If a `callback` is passed, it will be run with the result as an argument when it is complete.

Raises `IOError` – if the address cannot be resolved.

Changed in version 4.4: Standardized all implementations to raise `IOError`.

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

close () → None

Closes the `Resolver`, freeing any resources used.

New in version 3.1.

class tornado.netutil.DefaultExecutorResolver (*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Resolver implementation using `IOLoop.run_in_executor`.

New in version 5.0.

class tornado.netutil.ExecutorResolver (*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Resolver implementation using a `concurrent.futures.Executor`.

Use this instead of `ThreadedResolver` when you require additional control over the executor being used.

The executor will be shut down when the resolver is closed unless `close_resolver=False`; use this if you want to reuse the same executor elsewhere.

Changed in version 5.0: The `io_loop` argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Deprecated since version 5.0: The default `Resolver` now uses `IOLoop.run_in_executor`; use that instead of this class.

class tornado.netutil.BlockingResolver (*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Default `Resolver` implementation, using `socket.getaddrinfo`.

The `IOLoop` will be blocked during the resolution, although the callback will not be run until the next `IOLoop` iteration.

Deprecated since version 5.0: The default `Resolver` now uses `IOLoop.run_in_executor`; use that instead of this class.

class tornado.netutil.ThreadedResolver (*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Multithreaded non-blocking `Resolver` implementation.

Requires the `concurrent.futures` package to be installed (available in the standard library since Python 3.2, installable with `pip install futures` in older versions).

The thread pool size can be configured with:

```python
Resolver.configure('tornado.netutil.ThreadedResolver',
                   num_threads=10)
```

Changed in version 3.1: All `ThreadedResolvers` share a single thread pool, whose size is set by the first one to be created.

Deprecated since version 5.0: The default `Resolver` now uses `IOLoop.run_in_executor`; use that instead of this class.

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class tornado.netutil.OverrideResolver(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
Wraps a resolver with a mapping of overrides.

This can be used to make local DNS changes (e.g. for testing) without modifying system-wide settings.

The mapping can be in three formats:

```python
{
    # Hostname to host or ip
    "example.com": "127.0.1.1",

    # Host+port to host+port
    ("login.example.com", 443): ("localhost", 1443),

    # Host+port+address family to host+port
    ("login.example.com", 443, socket.AF_INET6): ("::1", 1443),
}
```

Changed in version 5.0: Added support for host-port-family triplets.

tornado.netutil.ssl_options_to_context(ssl_options: Union[Dict[str, Any], ssl.SSLContext]) → ssl.SSLContext
Try to convert an ssl_options dictionary to an SSLContext object.

The ssl_options dictionary contains keywords to be passed to ssl.wrap_socket. In Python 2.7.9+, ssl.SSLContext objects can be used instead. This function converts the dict form to its SSLContext equivalent, and may be used when a component which accepts both forms needs to upgrade to the SSLContext version to use features like SNI or NPN.

tornado.netutil.ssl_wrap_socket(socket: socket.socket, ssl_options: Union[Dict[str, Any], ssl.SSLContext], server_hostname: Optional[str] = None, **kwargs: Any) → ssl.SSLSocket
Returns an ssl.SSLSocket wrapping the given socket.

ssl_options may be either an ssl.SSLContext object or a dictionary (as accepted by ssl_options_to_context). Additional keyword arguments are passed to wrap_socket (either the SSLContext method or the ssl module function as appropriate).

6.4.4 tornado.tcpclient — IOStream connection factory

A non-blocking TCP connection factory.

class tornado.tcpclient.TCPClient(resolver: Optional[tornado.netutil.Resolver] = None)
A non-blocking TCP connection factory.

Changed in version 5.0: The io_loop argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Connect to the given host and port.

Asynchronously returns an IOStream (or SSLIOStream if ssl_options is not None).

Using the source_ip kwarg, one can specify the source IP address to use when establishing the connection. In case the user needs to resolve and use a specific interface, it has to be handled outside of Tornado as this depends very much on the platform.
Raises `TimeoutError` if the input future does not complete before `timeout`, which may be specified in any form allowed by `IOLoop.add_timeout` (i.e. a `datetime.timedelta` or an absolute time relative to `IOLoop.time`)

Similarly, when the user requires a certain source port, it can be specified using the `source_port` arg.

Changed in version 4.5: Added the `source_ip` and `source_port` arguments.

Changed in version 5.0: Added the `timeout` argument.

### 6.4.5 `tornado.tcpserver` — Basic `IOLStream`-based TCP server

A non-blocking, single-threaded TCP server.

```python
class tornado.tcpserver.TCPServer(ssl_options: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], ssl.SSLContext]] = None, max_buffer_size: Optional[int] = None, read_chunk_size: Optional[int] = None):
```

A non-blocking, single-threaded TCP server.

To use `TCPServer`, define a subclass which overrides the `handle_stream` method. For example, a simple echo server could be defined like this:

```python
from tornado.tcpserver import TCPServer
from tornado.iostream import StreamClosedError
from tornado import gen

class EchoServer(TCPServer):
    async def handle_stream(self, stream, address):
        while True:
            try:
                data = await stream.read_until(b"\n")
                await stream.write(data)
            except StreamClosedError:
                break
```

To make this server serve SSL traffic, send the `ssl_options` keyword argument with an `ssl.SSLContext` object. For compatibility with older versions of Python `ssl_options` may also be a dictionary of keyword arguments for the `ssl.wrap_socket` method:

```python
ssl_ctx = ssl.create_default_context(ssl.Purpose.CLIENT_AUTH)
ssl_ctx.load_cert_chain(os.path.join(data_dir, "mydomain.crt"), os.path.join(data_dir, "mydomain.key"))
TCPServer(ssl_options=ssl_ctx)
```

`TCPServer` initialization follows one of three patterns:

1. `listen`: simple single-process:

   ```python
   server = TCPServer()
   server.listen(8888)
   IOLoop.current().start()
   ```

2. `bind/start`: simple multi-process:

   ```python
   server = TCPServer()
   server.bind(8888)
   server.start(0)  # Forks multiple sub-processes
   IOLoop.current().start()
   ```

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When using this interface, an `IOLoop` must not be passed to the `TCPServer` constructor. `start` will always start the server on the default singleton `IOLoop`.

3. **add_sockets**: advanced multi-process:

   ```python
   sockets = bind_sockets(8888)
tornado.process.fork_processes(0)
server = TCPServer()
server.add_sockets(sockets)
IOLoop.current().start()
```

   The `add_sockets` interface is more complicated, but it can be used with `tornado.process.fork_processes` to give you more flexibility in when the fork happens. `add_sockets` can also be used in single-process servers if you want to create your listening sockets in some way other than `bind_sockets`.

New in version 3.1: The `max_buffer_size` argument.

Changed in version 5.0: The `io_loop` argument has been removed.

### listen

```python
port: int, address: str = '' → None
```

Starts accepting connections on the given port.

This method may be called more than once to listen on multiple ports. `listen` takes effect immediately; it is not necessary to call `TCPserver.start` afterwards. It is, however, necessary to start the `IOLoop`.

### add_sockets

```python
sockets: Iterable[socket.socket] → None
```

Makes this server start accepting connections on the given sockets.

The `sockets` parameter is a list of socket objects such as those returned by `bind_sockets`. `add_sockets` is typically used in combination with that method and `tornado.process.fork_processes` to provide greater control over the initialization of a multi-process server.

### add_socket

```python
socket: socket.socket → None
```

Singular version of `add_sockets`. Takes a single socket object.

### bind

```python
port: int, address: Optional[str] = None, family: socket.AddressFamily = <AddressFamily.AF_UNSPEC: 0>, backlog: int = 128, reuse_port: bool = False → None
```

Binds this server to the given port on the given address.

To start the server, call `start`. If you want to run this server in a single process, you can call `listen` as a shortcut to the sequence of `bind` and `start` calls.

Address may be either an IP address or hostname. If it’s a hostname, the server will listen on all IP addresses associated with the name. Address may be an empty string or None to listen on all available interfaces. Family may be set to either `socket.AF_INET` or `socket.AF_INET6` to restrict to IPv4 or IPv6 addresses, otherwise both will be used if available.

The `backlog` argument has the same meaning as for `socket.listen`. The `reuse_port` argument has the same meaning as for `bind_sockets`.

This method may be called multiple times prior to `start` to listen on multiple ports or interfaces.

Changed in version 4.4: Added the `reuse_port` argument.

### start

```python
num_processes: Optional[int] = 1, max_restarts: Optional[int] = None → None
```

Starts this server in the `IOLoop`.

By default, we run the server in this process and do not fork any additional child process.

If `num_processes` is `None` or `< 0`, we detect the number of cores available on this machine and fork that number of child processes. If `num_processes` is given and > 1, we fork that specific number of sub-processes.
Since we use processes and not threads, there is no shared memory between any server code.

Note that multiple processes are not compatible with the autoreload module (or the autoreload=True option to `tornado.web.Application` which defaults to True when debug=True). When using multiple processes, no IOLoops can be created or referenced until after the call to `TCPServer.start(n)`.

Values of `num_processes` other than 1 are not supported on Windows.

The `max_restarts` argument is passed to `fork_processes`.

Changed in version 6.0: Added `max_restarts` argument.

```
stop() → None
```

Stops listening for new connections.

Requests currently in progress may still continue after the server is stopped.

```
handle_stream(stream: tornado.iostream.IOStream, address: tuple) → Optional[Awaitable[None]]
```

Override to handle a new `IOStream` from an incoming connection.

This method may be a coroutine; if so any exceptions it raises asynchronously will be logged. Accepting of incoming connections will not be blocked by this coroutine.

If this `TCPServer` is configured for SSL, `handle_stream` may be called before the SSL handshake has completed. Use `SSLIOStream.wait_for_handshake` if you need to verify the client’s certificate or use NPN/ALPN.

Changed in version 4.2: Added the option for this method to be a coroutine.

## 6.5 Coroutines and concurrency

### 6.5.1 `tornado.gen` — Generator-based coroutines

`tornado.gen` implements generator-based coroutines.

**Note:** The “decorator and generator” approach in this module is a precursor to native coroutines (using `async def` and `await`) which were introduced in Python 3.5. Applications that do not require compatibility with older versions of Python should use native coroutines instead. Some parts of this module are still useful with native coroutines, notably `multi`, `sleep`, `WaitIterator`, and `with_timeout`. Some of these functions have counterparts in the `asyncio` module which may be used as well, although the two may not necessarily be 100% compatible.

Coroutines provide an easier way to work in an asynchronous environment than chaining callbacks. Code using coroutines is technically asynchronous, but it is written as a single generator instead of a collection of separate functions.

For example, here’s a coroutine-based handler:

```python
class GenAsyncHandler(RequestHandler):
    @gen.coroutine
    def get(self):
        http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
        response = yield http_client.fetch("http://example.com")
        do_something_with_response(response)
        self.render("template.html")
```

Asynchronous functions in Tornado return an `Awaitable` or `Future`; yielding this object returns its result.
You can also yield a list or dict of other yieldable objects, which will be started at the same time and run in parallel; a list or dict of results will be returned when they are all finished:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def get(self):
    http_client = AsyncHTTPClient()
    response1, response2 = yield [http_client.fetch(url1),
                                http_client.fetch(url2)]
    response_dict = yield dict(response3=http_client.fetch(url3),
                               response4=http_client.fetch(url4))
    response3 = response_dict['response3']
    response4 = response_dict['response4']
```

If `tornado.platform.twisted` is imported, it is also possible to yield Twisted’s `Deferred` objects. See the `convert_yielded` function to extend this mechanism.

Changed in version 3.2: Dict support added.

Changed in version 4.1: Support added for yielding `asyncio` Futures and Twisted Deferreds via `singledispatch`.

**Decorators**

tornado.gen.coroutine (func: Callable[..., Generator[Any, Any, _T]]) → Callable[..., Future[_T]]
tornado.gen.coroutine (func: Callable[...], _T) → Callable[...], Future[_T])

Decorator for asynchronous generators.

For compatibility with older versions of Python, coroutines may also “return” by raising the special exception `Return(value)`.

Functions with this decorator return a `Future`.

**Warning:** When exceptions occur inside a coroutine, the exception information will be stored in the `Future` object. You must examine the result of the `Future` object, or the exception may go unnoticed by your code. This means yielding the function if called from another coroutine, using something like `IOLoop.run_sync` for top-level calls, or passing the `Future` to `IOLoop.add_future`.

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

`exception` tornado.gen.Return (value: Any = None)

Special exception to return a value from a coroutine.

If this exception is raised, its value argument is used as the result of the coroutine:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def fetch_json(url):
    response = yield AsyncHTTPClient().fetch(url)
    raise gen.Return(json_decode(response.body))
```

In Python 3.3, this exception is no longer necessary: the `return` statement can be used directly to return a value (previously `yield` and `return` with a value could not be combined in the same function).

By analogy with the return statement, the value argument is optional, but it is never necessary to `raise gen.Return()`. The `return` statement can be used with no arguments instead.
Utility functions

```
tornado.gen.with_timeout(timeout:  Union[float, datetime.timedelta], future:  Yieldable, quiet_exceptions:  Union[Type[Exception], Tuple[Type[Exception], ...]] = ()
```

Wraps a `Future` (or other yieldable object) in a timeout.

Raises `tornado.util.TimeoutError` if the input future does not complete before `timeout`, which may be specified in any form allowed by `IOLoop.add_timeout` (i.e. a `datetime.timedelta` or an absolute time relative to `IOLoop.time`).

If the wrapped `Future` fails after it has timed out, the exception will be logged unless it is either of a type contained in `quiet_exceptions` (which may be an exception type or a sequence of types), or an `asyncio.CancelledError`.

The wrapped `Future` is not canceled when the timeout expires, permitting it to be reused. `asyncio.wait_for` is similar to this function but it does cancel the wrapped `Future` on timeout.

New in version 4.0.

Changed in version 4.1: Added the `quiet_exceptions` argument and the logging of unhandled exceptions.

Changed in version 4.4: Added support for yieldable objects other than `Future`.

Changed in version 6.0.3: `asyncio.CancelledError` is now always considered “quiet”.

```
tornado.gen.sleep(duration: float) → Future[None]
```

Return a `Future` that resolves after the given number of seconds.

When used with `yield` in a coroutine, this is a non-blocking analogue to `time.sleep` (which should not be used in coroutines because it is blocking):

```
yield gen.sleep(0.5)
```

Note that calling this function on its own does nothing; you must wait on the `Future` it returns (usually by yielding it).

New in version 4.1.

```
```

Provides an iterator to yield the results of awaitables as they finish.

Yielding a set of awaitables like this:

```
results = yield [awaitable1, awaitable2]
```

pauses the coroutine until both `awaitable1` and `awaitable2` return, and then restarts the coroutine with the results of both awaitables. If either awaitable raises an exception, the expression will raise that exception and all the results will be lost.

If you need to get the result of each awaitable as soon as possible, or if you need the result of some awaitables even if others produce errors, you can use `WaitIterator`:

```
wait_iterator = gen.WaitIterator(awaitable1, awaitable2)
while not wait_iterator.done():
    try:
        result = yield wait_iterator.next()
    except Exception as e:
        print("Error {} from {}").format(e, wait_iterator.current_future))
    else:
        print("Result {} received from {} at {}".format(  
(continues on next page)
Because results are returned as soon as they are available the output from the iterator will not be in the same order as the input arguments. If you need to know which future produced the current result, you can use the attributes `wait_iterator.current_future`, or `wait_iterator.current_index` to get the index of the awaitable from the input list. (if keyword arguments were used in the construction of the `WaitIterator`, `current_index` will use the corresponding keyword).

On Python 3.5, `WaitIterator` implements the async iterator protocol, so it can be used with the `async for` statement (note that in this version the entire iteration is aborted if any value raises an exception, while the previous example can continue past individual errors):

```python
async for result in gen.WaitIterator(future1, future2):
    print("Result {} received from {} at {}\).format(
        result, wait_iterator.current_future,
        wait_iterator.current_index))
```

New in version 4.1.

Changed in version 4.3: Added `async for` support in Python 3.5.

```python
done() → bool
    Returns True if this iterator has no more results.

next() → _asyncio.Future
    Returns a `Future` that will yield the next available result.
```

Note that this `Future` will not be the same object as any of the inputs.

```python
tornado.gen.multi(Union[List[Yieldable], Dict[Any, Yieldable]], quiet_exceptions:
    Union[Type[Exception], Tuple[Type[Exception], ...]] = ())
```

Runs multiple asynchronous operations in parallel.

- `children` may either be a list or a dict whose values are yieldable objects. `multi()` returns a new yieldable object that resolves to a parallel structure containing their results. If `children` is a list, the result is a list of results in the same order; if it is a dict, the result is a dict with the same keys.

That is, `results = yield multi(list_of_futures)` is equivalent to:

```python
results = []
for future in list_of_futures:
    results.append(yield future)
```

If any children raise exceptions, `multi()` will raise the first one. All others will be logged, unless they are of types contained in the `quiet_exceptions` argument.

In a `yield`-based coroutine, it is not normally necessary to call this function directly, since the coroutine runner will do it automatically when a list or dict is yielded. However, it is necessary in `await`-based coroutines, or to pass the `quiet_exceptions` argument.

This function is available under the names `multi()` and `Multi()` for historical reasons.

Cancelling a `Future` returned by `multi()` does not cancel its children. `asyncio.gather` is similar to `multi()`, but it does cancel its children.

Changed in version 4.2: If multiple yieldables fail, any exceptions after the first (which is raised) will be logged. Added the `quiet_exceptions` argument to suppress this logging for selected exception types.

Changed in version 4.3: Replaced the class `Multi` and the function `multi_future` with a unified function `multi`. Added support for yieldables other than `YieldPoint` and `Future`.

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tornado.gen.multi_future(Union[List[Yieldable], Dict[Any, Yieldable]], quiet_exceptions: Union[Type[Exception], Tuple[Type[Exception], ...]] = (())

Wait for multiple asynchronous futures in parallel.

Since Tornado 6.0, this function is exactly the same as multi.

New in version 4.0.

Changed in version 4.2: If multiple Futures fail, any exceptions after the first (which is raised) will be logged. Added the quiet_exceptions argument to suppress this logging for selected exception types.

Deprecated since version 4.3: Use multi instead.

tornado.gen.convert_yielded(yielded: Union[None, Awaitable, List[Awaitable], Dict[Any, Awaitable], concurrent.futures._base.Future]) → _asyncio.Future

Convert a yielded object into a Future.

The default implementation accepts lists, dictionaries, and Futures. This has the side effect of starting any coroutines that did not start themselves, similar to asyncio.ensure_future.

If the singledispatch library is available, this function may be extended to support additional types. For example:

```python
@convert_yielded.register(asyncio.Future)
def _(_asyncio_future):
    return tornado.platform.asyncio.to_tornado_future(_asyncio_future)
```

New in version 4.1.

tornado.gen.maybe_future(x: Any) → _asyncio.Future

Converts x into a Future.

If x is already a Future, it is simply returned; otherwise it is wrapped in a new Future. This is suitable for use as result = yield gen.maybe_future(f()) when you don’t know whether f() returns a Future or not.

Deprecated since version 4.3: This function only handles Futures, not other yieldable objects. Instead of maybe_future, check for the non-future result types you expect (often just None), and yield anything unknown.

tornado.gen.is_coroutine_function(func: Any) → bool

Return whether func is a coroutine function, i.e. a function wrapped with coroutine.

New in version 4.5.

tornado.gen.moment

A special object which may be yielded to allow the IOLoop to run for one iteration.

This is not needed in normal use but it can be helpful in long-running coroutines that are likely to yield Futures that are ready instantly.

Usage: yield gen.moment

In native coroutines, the equivalent of yield gen.moment is await asyncio.sleep(0).

New in version 4.0.

Deprecated since version 4.5: yield None (or yield with no argument) is now equivalent to yield gen. moment.
6.5.2 tornado.locks – Synchronization primitives

New in version 4.2.

Coordinate coroutines with synchronization primitives analogous to those the standard library provides to threads. These classes are very similar to those provided in the standard library’s asyncio package.

**Warning:** Note that these primitives are not actually thread-safe and cannot be used in place of those from the standard library’s threading module—they are meant to coordinate Tornado coroutines in a single-threaded app, not to protect shared objects in a multithreaded app.

**Condition**

```python
class tornado.locks.Condition
A condition allows one or more coroutines to wait until notified.

Like a standard threading.Condition, but does not need an underlying lock that is acquired and released.

With a Condition, coroutines can wait to be notified by other coroutines:

```from tornado import gen
from tornado.ioloop import IOLoop
from tornado.locks import Condition

condition = Condition()

async def waiter():
    print("I'll wait right here")
    await condition.wait()
    print("I'm done waiting")

async def notifier():
    print("About to notify")
    condition.notify()
    print("Done notifying")

async def runner():
    # Wait for waiter() and notifier() in parallel
    await gen.multi([waiter(), notifier()])

IOLoop.current().run_sync(runner)
```

I'll wait right here
About to notify
Done notifying
I'm done waiting

**wait** takes an optional timeout argument, which is either an absolute timestamp:

```python
io_loop = IOLoop.current()

# Wait up to 1 second for a notification.
await condition.wait(timeout=io_loop.time() + 1)
```

...or a datetime.timedelta for a timeout relative to the current time:
# Wait up to 1 second.
```
await condition.wait(timeout=datetime.timedelta(seconds=1))
```

The method returns False if there’s no notification before the deadline.

Changed in version 5.0: Previously, waiters could be notified synchronously from within `notify`. Now, the notification will always be received on the next iteration of the `IOLoop`.

```
wait (timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[bool]

Wait for `notify`.
```

Returns a `Future` that resolves `True` if the condition is notified, or `False` after a timeout.

```
notify (n: int = 1) → None

Wake n waiters.
```

```
notify_all () → None

Wake all waiters.
```

## Event

### class `tornado.locks.Event`

An event blocks coroutines until its internal flag is set to True.

Similar to `threading.Event`.

A coroutine can wait for an event to be set. Once it is set, calls to `yield event.wait()` will not block unless the event has been cleared:

```
from tornado import gen
from tornado.ioloop import IOLoop
from tornado.locks import Event

event = Event()

async def waiter():
    print("Waiting for event")
    await event.wait()
    print("Not waiting this time")
    await event.wait()
    print("Done")

async def setter():
    print("About to set the event")
    event.set()

async def runner():
    await gen.multi([waiter(), setter()])

IOLoop.current().run_sync(runner)
```

Waiting for event
About to set the event
Not waiting this time
Done

```
is_set () → bool

Return True if the internal flag is true.
```
set() → None
Set the internal flag to True. All waiters are awakened.
Calling wait once the flag is set will not block.

clear() → None
Reset the internal flag to False.
Calls to wait will block until set is called.

wait (timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[None]
Block until the internal flag is true.
Returns an awaitable, which raises tornado.util.TimeoutError after a timeout.

Semaphore

class tornado.locksSemaphore (value: int = 1)
A lock that can be acquired a fixed number of times before blocking.

A Semaphore manages a counter representing the number of release calls minus the number of acquire calls, plus an initial value. The acquire method blocks if necessary until it can return without making the counter negative.

Semaphores limit access to a shared resource. To allow access for two workers at a time:

```python
from tornado import gen
from tornado.ioloop import IOLoop
from tornado.locks import Semaphore

sem = Semaphore(2)

async def worker(worker_id):
    await sem.acquire()
    try:
        print("Worker \%d is working" % worker_id)
        await use_some_resource()
    finally:
        print("Worker \%d is done" % worker_id)
        sem.release()

async def runner():
    # Join all workers.
    await gen.multi([worker(i) for i in range(3)])

IOLoop.current().run_sync(runner)
```

Workers 0 and 1 are allowed to run concurrently, but worker 2 waits until the semaphore has been released once, by worker 0.

The semaphore can be used as an async context manager:
async def worker(worker_id):
    async with sem:
        print("Worker \%d is working" % worker_id)
        await use_some_resource()

        # Now the semaphore has been released.
        print("Worker \%d is done" % worker_id)

For compatibility with older versions of Python, acquire is a context manager, so worker could also be written as:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def worker(worker_id):
    with (yield sem.acquire()):
        print("Worker \%d is working" % worker_id)
        yield use_some_resource()

        # Now the semaphore has been released.
        print("Worker \%d is done" % worker_id)
```

Changed in version 4.3: Added async with support in Python 3.5.

- **release**() → None
  Increment the counter and wake one waiter.

- **acquire**(timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[tornado.locks._ReleasingContextManager]
  Decrement the counter. Returns an awaitable.

  Block if the counter is zero and wait for a release. The awaitable raises TimeoutError after the deadline.

### BoundedSemaphore

- **class** tornado.locks.BoundedSemaphore(value: int = 1)
  A semaphore that prevents release() being called too many times.

  If release would increment the semaphore’s value past the initial value, it raises ValueError. Semaphores are mostly used to guard resources with limited capacity, so a semaphore released too many times is a sign of a bug.

- **release**() → None
  Increment the counter and wake one waiter.

- **acquire**(timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[tornado.locks._ReleasingContextManager]
  Decrement the counter. Returns an awaitable.

  Block if the counter is zero and wait for a release. The awaitable raises TimeoutError after the deadline.
Lock

class tornado.locks.Lock
A lock for coroutines.

A Lock begins unlocked, and acquire locks it immediately. While it is locked, a coroutine that yields acquire waits until another coroutine calls release.

Releasing an unlocked lock raises RuntimeError.

A Lock can be used as an async context manager with the async with statement:

```python
>>> from tornado import locks
>>> lock = locks.Lock()
>>> async def f():
...     async with lock:
...         # Do something holding the lock.
...         pass
...     # Now the lock is released.
```

For compatibility with older versions of Python, the acquire method asynchronously returns a regular context manager:

```python
>>> async def f2():
...     with (yield lock.acquire()):
...         # Do something holding the lock.
...         pass
...     # Now the lock is released.
```

Changed in version 4.3: Added async with support in Python 3.5.

acquire(timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[tornado.locks._ReleasingContextManager]
Attempt to lock. Returns an awaitable.

release() → None
Unlock.

The first coroutine in line waiting for acquire gets the lock.
If not locked, raise a RuntimeError.

6.5.3 tornado.queues – Queues for coroutines

New in version 4.2. Asynchronous queues for coroutines. These classes are very similar to those provided in the standard library’s asyncio package.

Warning: Unlike the standard library’s queue module, the classes defined here are not thread-safe. To use these queues from another thread, use IOLoop.add_callback to transfer control to the IOLoop thread before calling any queue methods.
Classes

Queue

class tornado.queues.Queue(*args, **kwds)

Coordinate producer and consumer coroutines.

If maxsize is 0 (the default) the queue size is unbounded.

```python
from tornado import gen
from tornado.ioloop import IOLoop
from tornado.queues import Queue

q = Queue(maxsize=2)

async def consumer():
    async for item in q:
        try:
            print('Doing work on %s' % item)
            await gen.sleep(0.01)
        finally:
            q.task_done()

async def producer():
    for item in range(5):
        await q.put(item)
    print('Put %s' % item)

async def main():
    # Start consumer without waiting (since it never finishes).
    IOLoop.current().spawn_callback(consumer)
    await producer()  # Wait for producer to put all tasks.
    await q.join()    # Wait for consumer to finish all tasks.
    print('Done')

IOLoop.current().run_sync(main)
```

Put 0
Put 1
Doing work on 0
Put 2
Doing work on 1
Put 3
Doing work on 2
Put 4
Doing work on 3
Doing work on 4
Done

In versions of Python without native coroutines (before 3.5), `consumer()` could be written as:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def consumer():
    while True:
        item = yield q.get()
        try:
            print('Doing work on %s' % item)
```

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yield gen.sleep(0.01)
finally:
    q.task_done()

Changed in version 4.3: Added async for support in Python 3.5.

**property maxsize**

Number of items allowed in the queue.

**qsize()** → int

Number of items in the queue.

**put(item: _T, timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Future[None]**

Put an item into the queue, perhaps waiting until there is room.

Returns a Future, which raises *tornado.util.TimeoutError* after a timeout.

timeout may be a number denoting a time (on the same scale as *tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.time*, normally *time.time*), or a *datetime.timedelta* object for a deadline relative to the current time.

**put_nowait(item: _T) → None**

Put an item into the queue without blocking.

If no free slot is immediately available, raise *QueueFull*.

**get(timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[_T]**

Remove and return an item from the queue.

Returns an awaitable which resolves once an item is available, or raises *tornado.util.TimeoutError* after a timeout.

timeout may be a number denoting a time (on the same scale as *tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.time*, normally *time.time*), or a *datetime.timedelta* object for a deadline relative to the current time.

**get_nowait() → _T**

Remove and return an item from the queue without blocking.

Return an item if one is immediately available, else raise *QueueEmpty*.

**task_done() → None**

Indicate that a formerly enqueued task is complete.

Used by queue consumers. For each *get* used to fetch a task, a subsequent call to *task_done* tells the queue that the processing on the task is complete.

If a *join* is blocking, it resumes when all items have been processed; that is, when every *put* is matched by a *task_done*.

Raises *ValueError* if called more times than *put*.

**join(timeout: Optional[Union[float, datetime.timedelta]] = None) → Awaitable[None]**

Block until all items in the queue are processed.

Returns an awaitable, which raises *tornado.util.TimeoutError* after a timeout.
PriorityQueue

class tornado.queues.PriorityQueue(*args, **kwds)
   A Queue that retrieves entries in priority order, lowest first.
   Entries are typically tuples like (priority number, data).

   from tornado.queues import PriorityQueue
   q = PriorityQueue()
   q.put((1, 'medium-priority item'))
   q.put((0, 'high-priority item'))
   q.put((10, 'low-priority item'))
   print(q.get_nowait())
   print(q.get_nowait())
   print(q.get_nowait())
   (0, 'high-priority item')
   (1, 'medium-priority item')
   (10, 'low-priority item')

LifoQueue

class tornado.queues.LifoQueue(*args, **kwds)
   A Queue that retrieves the most recently put items first.

   from tornado.queues import LifoQueue
   q = LifoQueue()
   q.put(3)
   q.put(2)
   q.put(1)
   print(q.get_nowait())
   print(q.get_nowait())
   print(q.get_nowait())
   1
   2
   3

Exceptions

QueueEmpty

exception tornado.queues.QueueEmpty
   Raised by Queue.get_nowait when the queue has no items.
QueueFull

```
exception tornado.queues.QueueFull

Raised by queue.put_nowait when a queue is at its maximum size.
```

6.5.4 tornado.process — Utilities for multiple processes

Utilities for working with multiple processes, including both forking the server into multiple processes and managing subprocesses.

```python
exception tornado.process.CalledProcessError

```

```
tornado.process.cpu_count () → int

Returns the number of processors on this machine.
```

```
tornado.process.fork_processes (num_processes: Optional[int], max_restarts: Optional[int] = None) → int

Starts multiple worker processes.

If num_processes is None or <= 0, we detect the number of cores available on this machine and fork that number of child processes. If num_processes is given and > 0, we fork that specific number of sub-processes. Since we use processes and not threads, there is no shared memory between any server code.

Note that multiple processes are not compatible with the autoreload module (or the autoreload=True option to tornado.web.Application which defaults to True when debug=True). When using multiple processes, no IOLoops can be created or referenced until after the call to fork_processes.

In each child process, fork_processes returns its task id, a number between 0 and num_processes. Processes that exit abnormally (due to a signal or non-zero exit status) are restarted with the same id (up to max_restarts times). In the parent process, fork_processes calls sys.exit(0) after all child processes have exited normally.

max_restarts defaults to 100.

Availability: Unix
```

```
tornado.process.task_id () → Optional[int]

Returns the current task id, if any.
```

```
tornado.process.task_id () → Optional[int]

Returns None if this process was not created by fork_processes.
```

class tornado.process.Subprocess(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)

Wraps subprocess.Popen with IOStream support.

The constructor is the same as subprocess.Popen with the following additions:

- stdin, stdout, and stderr may have the value tornado.process.Subprocess.STREAM, which will make the corresponding attribute of the resulting Subprocess a PipeIOStream. If this option is used, the caller is responsible for closing the streams when done with them.

The Subprocess.STREAM option and the set_exit_callback and wait_for_exit methods do not work on Windows. There is therefore no reason to use this class instead of subprocess.Popen on that platform.

Changed in version 5.0: The io_loop argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

```
set_exit_callback (callback: Callable[[int], None]) → None

Runs callback when this process exits.
```

The callback takes one argument, the return code of the process.
This method uses a SIGCHLD handler, which is a global setting and may conflict if you have other libraries trying to handle the same signal. If you are using more than one IOLoop it may be necessary to call Subprocess.initialize first to designate one IOLoop to run the signal handlers.

In many cases a close callback on the stdout or stderr streams can be used as an alternative to an exit callback if the signal handler is causing a problem.

Availability: Unix

```python
wait_for_exit (raise_error: bool = True) -> Future[int]
```

Returns a Future which resolves when the process exits.

Usage:

```python
ret = yield proc.wait_for_exit()
```

This is a coroutine-friendly alternative to set_exit_callback (and a replacement for the blocking subprocess.Popen.wait).

By default, raises subprocess.CalledProcessError if the process has a non-zero exit status. Use wait_for_exit(raise_error=False) to suppress this behavior and return the exit status without raising.

New in version 4.2.

Availability: Unix

```python
classmethod initialize () -> None
```

Initializes the SIGCHLD handler.

The signal handler is run on an IOLoop to avoid locking issues. Note that the IOLoop used for signal handling need not be the same one used by individual Subprocess objects (as long as the IOLoops are each running in separate threads).

Changed in version 5.0: The io_loop argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Availability: Unix

```python
classmethod uninitialize () -> None
```

Removes the SIGCHLD handler.

### 6.6 Integration with other services

#### 6.6.1 tornado.auth — Third-party login with OpenID and OAuth

This module contains implementations of various third-party authentication schemes.

All the classes in this file are class mixins designed to be used with the tornado.web.RequestHandler class. They are used in two ways:

- On a login handler, use methods such as authenticate_redirect(), authorize_redirect(), and get_authenticated_user() to establish the user’s identity and store authentication tokens to your database and/or cookies.
- In non-login handlers, use methods such as facebook_request() or twitter_request() to use the authentication tokens to make requests to the respective services.

They all take slightly different arguments due to the fact all these services implement authentication and authorization slightly differently. See the individual service classes below for complete documentation.

Example usage for Google OAuth:
class GoogleOAuth2LoginHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, 
tornado.auth.GoogleOAuth2Mixin):
    async def get(self):
        if self.get_argument('code', False):
            user = await self.get_authenticated_user(
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                code=self.get_argument('code'))
            # Save the user with e.g. set_secure_cookie
        else:
            self.authorize_redirect(
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                client_id=self.settings['google_oauth']['key'],
                scope=['profile', 'email'],
                response_type='code',
                extra_params={'approval_prompt': 'auto'})

Common protocols

These classes implement the OpenID and OAuth standards. They will generally need to be subclassed to use them with any particular site. The degree of customization required will vary, but in most cases overriding the class attributes (which are named beginning with underscores for historical reasons) should be sufficient.

class tornado.auth.OpenIdMixin
    Abstract implementation of OpenID and Attribute Exchange.

    Class attributes:
    • _OPENID_ENDPOINT: the identity provider’s URI.

    authenticate_redirect(callback_uri: Optional[str] = None, ax_attrs: List[str] = ['name',
    'email', 'language', 'username']) → None
    Redirects to the authentication URL for this service.

    After authentication, the service will redirect back to the given callback URI with additional parameters including openid.mode.

    We request the given attributes for the authenticated user by default (name, email, language, and username). If you don’t need all those attributes for your app, you can request fewer with the ax_attrs keyword argument.

    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed and this method no longer returns an awaitable object. It is now an ordinary synchronous function.

    Fetches the authenticated user data upon redirect.

    This method should be called by the handler that receives the redirect from the authenticate_redirect() method (which is often the same as the one that calls it; in that case you would call get_authenticated_user if the openid.mode parameter is present and authenticate_redirect if it is not).

    The result of this method will generally be used to set a cookie.

    Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

get_auth_http_client() → tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient
    Returns the AsyncHTTPClient instance to be used for auth requests.
May be overridden by subclasses to use an HTTP client other than the default.

```python
class tornado.auth.OAuthMixin
    Abstract implementation of OAuth 1.0 and 1.0a.

    See TwitterMixin below for an example implementation.

    Class attributes:
    • _OAUTH_AUTHORIZE_URL: The service’s OAuth authorization url.
    • _OAUTH_ACCESS_TOKEN_URL: The service’s OAuth access token url.
    • _OAUTH_VERSION: May be either “1.0” or “1.0a”.
    • _OAUTH_NO_CALLBACKS: Set this to True if the service requires advance registration of callbacks.

    Subclasses must also override the _oauth_get_user_future and _oauth_consumer_token methods.
```

```python
```

Redirects the user to obtain OAuth authorization for this service.

The callback_uri may be omitted if you have previously registered a callback URI with the third-party service. For some services, you must use a previously-registered callback URI and cannot specify a callback via this method.

This method sets a cookie called _oauth_request_token which is subsequently used (and cleared) in get_authenticated_user for security purposes.

This method is asynchronous and must be called with await or yield (This is different from other auth*_redirect methods defined in this module). It calls RequestHandler.finish for you so you should not write any other response after it returns.

Changed in version 3.1: Now returns a Future and takes an optional callback, for compatibility with gen.coroutine.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

```python
```

Gets the OAuth authorized user and access token.

This method should be called from the handler for your OAuth callback URL to complete the registration process. We run the callback with the authenticated user dictionary. This dictionary will contain an access_key which can be used to make authorized requests to this service on behalf of the user. The dictionary will also contain other fields such as name, depending on the service used.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

```python
_oauth_consumer_token () → Dict[str, Any]
```

Subclasses must override this to return their OAuth consumer keys.

The return value should be a dict with keys key and secret.

```python
async _oauth_get_user_future (access_token: Dict[str, Any]) → Dict[str, Any]
```

Subclasses must override this to get basic information about the user.

Should be a coroutine whose result is a dictionary containing information about the user, which may have been retrieved by using access_token to make a request to the service.
The access token will be added to the returned dictionary to make the result of get_authenticated_user.

Changed in version 5.1: Subclasses may also define this method with async def.

Changed in version 6.0: A synchronous fallback to _oauth_get_user was removed.

get_auth_http_client() → tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient

Returns the AsyncHTTPClient instance to be used for auth requests.

May be overridden by subclasses to use an HTTP client other than the default.

class tornado.auth.OAuth2Mixin

Abstract implementation of OAuth 2.0.

See FacebookGraphMixin or GoogleOAuth2Mixin below for example implementations.

Class attributes:

• _OAUTH_AUTHORIZE_URL: The service’s authorization url.

• _OAUTH_ACCESS_TOKEN_URL: The service’s access token url.


Redirects the user to obtain OAuth authorization for this service.

Some providers require that you register a redirect URL with your application instead of passing one via this method. You should call this method to log the user in, and then call get_authenticated_user in the handler for your redirect URL to complete the authorization process.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument and returned awaitable were removed; this is now an ordinary synchronous function.

coroutine oauth2_request(url: str, access_token: Optional[str] = None, post_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, **args: Any) → Any

Fetches the given URL auth an OAuth2 access token.

If the request is a POST, post_args should be provided. Query string arguments should be given as keyword arguments.

Example usage:

.. testcode::

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin):
    @tornado.web.authenticated
    async def get(self):
        new_entry = await self.oauth2_request("https://graph.facebook.com/me/feed", post_args={"message": "I am posting from my Tornado application!")
        if not new_entry:
            # Call failed; perhaps missing permission?
            self.authorize_redirect()
        return
        self.finish("Posted a message!")

New in version 4.3.
get_auth_http_client() \rightarrow tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient

Returns the AsyncHTTPClient instance to be used for auth requests.

May be overridden by subclasses to use an HTTP client other than the default.

New in version 4.3.

Google

class tornado.auth.GoogleOAuth2Mixin

Google authentication using OAuth2.

In order to use, register your application with Google and copy the relevant parameters to your application settings.

- Go to the Google Dev Console at http://console.developers.google.com
- Select a project, or create a new one.
- In the sidebar on the left, select Credentials.
- Click CREATE CREDENTIALS and click OAuth client ID.
- Under Application type, select Web application.
- Name OAuth 2.0 client and click Create.
- Copy the “Client secret” and “Client ID” to the application settings as {
  "google_oauth":
  {"key": CLIENT_ID, "secret": CLIENT_SECRET}}

New in version 3.2.

coroutine get_authenticated_user (redirect_uri: str, code: str) \rightarrow Dict[str, Any]

Handles the login for the Google user, returning an access token.

The result is a dictionary containing an access_token field (among others) (https://developers.google.com/identity/protocols/OAuth2WebServer#handlingtheresponse). Unlike other get_authenticated_user methods in this package, this method does not return any additional information about the user. The returned access token can be used with OAuth2Mixin.oauth2_request to request additional information (perhaps from https://www.googleapis.com/oauth2/v2/userinfo)

Example usage:

class GoogleOAuth2LoginHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, tornado.auth.GoogleOAuth2Mixin):
    async def get(self):
        if self.get_argument('code', False):
            access = await self.get_authenticated_user(
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                code=self.get_argument('code'))
            user = await self.oauth2_request(
                'https://www.googleapis.com/oauth2/v1/userinfo',
                access_token=access['access_token'])
            # Save the user and access token with
            # e.g. set_secure_cookie.
        else:
            self.authorize_redirect(  
                redirect_uri='http://your.site.com/auth/google',
                client_id=self.settings['google_oauth']['key'],
                scope=['profile', 'email'],
            )

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response_type='code',
extra_params=({'approval_prompt': 'auto'})

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

Facebook

class tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin
Facebook authentication using the new Graph API and OAuth2.


Handles the login for the Facebook user, returning a user object.

Example usage:

class FacebookGraphLoginHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin):
    async def get(self):
        if self.get_argument("code", False):
            user = await self.get_authenticated_user(
                redirect_uri="/auth/facebookgraph/",
                client_id=self.settings["facebook_api_key"],
                client_secret=self.settings["facebook_secret"],
                code=self.get_argument("code"))
            # Save the user with e.g. set_secure_cookie
        else:
            self.authorize_redirect(
                redirect_uri="/auth/facebookgraph/",
                client_id=self.settings["facebook_api_key"],
                extra_params={"scope": "read_stream,offline_access"})

This method returns a dictionary which may contain the following fields:

- `access_token`, a string which may be passed to `facebook_request`
- `session_expires`, an integer encoded as a string representing the time until the access token expires in seconds. This field should be used like `int(user[‘session_expires’])`; in a future version of Tornado it will change from a string to an integer.
- `id`, `name`, `first_name`, `last_name`, `locale`, `picture`, `link`, plus any fields named in the `extra_fields` argument. These fields are copied from the Facebook graph API user object

Changed in version 4.5: The `session_expires` field was updated to support changes made to the Facebook API in March 2017.

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

Coroutine `facebook_request` (path: str, access_token: Optional[str] = None, post_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, *args: Any) → Any

Fetches the given relative API path, e.g., "/_b/taylor/picture”

If the request is a POST, `post_args` should be provided. Query string arguments should be given as keyword arguments.

An introduction to the Facebook Graph API can be found at http://developers.facebook.com/docs/api
Many methods require an OAuth access token which you can obtain through `authorize_redirect` and `get_authenticated_user`. The user returned through that process includes an `access_token` attribute that can be used to make authenticated requests via this method.

Example usage:

```python
class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler,
                  tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin):
    @tornado.web.authenticated
    async def get(self):
        new_entry = await self.facebook_request(
            "/me/feed",
            post_args={"message": "I am posting from my Tornado application!"}
        ,
        access_token=self.current_user["access_token"])

        if not new_entry:
            # Call failed; perhaps missing permission?
            self.authorize_redirect()
            return

        self.finish("Posted a message!")
```

The given path is relative to `self._FACEBOOK_BASE_URL`, by default “https://graph.facebook.com”. This method is a wrapper around `OAuth2Mixin.oauth2_request`; the only difference is that this method takes a relative path, while `oauth2_request` takes a complete url.

Changed in version 3.1: Added the ability to override `self._FACEBOOK_BASE_URL`.

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

**Twitter**

```python
class tornado.auth.TwitterMixin
    Twitter OAuth authentication.
    To authenticate with Twitter, register your application with Twitter at http://twitter.com/apps. Then copy your Consumer Key and Consumer Secret to the application settings `twitter_consumer_key` and `twitter_consumer_secret`. Use this mixin on the handler for the URL you registered as your application’s callback URL.
    When your application is set up, you can use this mixin like this to authenticate the user with Twitter and get access to their stream:

    ```python
    class TwitterLoginHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler,
                              tornado.auth.TwitterMixin):
        async def get(self):
            if self.get_argument("oauth_token", None):
                user = await self.get_authenticated_user()
                # Save the user using e.g. set_secure_cookie()
            else:
                await self.authorize_redirect()
    ```
```

The user object returned by `get_authenticated_user` includes the attributes `username`, `name`, `access_token`, and all of the custom Twitter user attributes described at https://dev.twitter.com/docs/api/1.1/get/users/show
coroutine authenticate_redirect(callback_uri: Optional[str] = None) → None

Just like authorize_redirect, but auto-redirects if authorized.

This is generally the right interface to use if you are using Twitter for single-sign on.

Changed in version 3.1: Now returns a Future and takes an optional callback, for compatibility with gen.coroutine.

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

coroutine twitter_request(path: str, access_token: Dict[str, Any], post_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, **args: Any) → Any

Fetches the given API path, e.g., statuses/user_timeline/btaylor

The path should not include the format or API version number. (we automatically use JSON format and API version 1).

If the request is a POST, post_args should be provided. Query string arguments should be given as keyword arguments.

All the Twitter methods are documented at http://dev.twitter.com/

Many methods require an OAuth access token which you can obtain through authorize_redirect and get_authenticated_user. The user returned through that process includes an ‘access_token’ attribute that can be used to make authenticated requests via this method. Example usage:

class MainHandler(tornado.web.RequestHandler, tornado.auth.TwitterMixin):
    @tornado.web.authenticated
    async def get(self):
        new_entry = await self.twitter_request("/statuses/update",
            post_args={"status": "Testing Tornado Web Server"},
            access_token=self.current_user["access_token"]
        )
        if not new_entry:
            # Call failed; perhaps missing permission?
            await self.authorize_redirect()
        return
        self.finish("Posted a message!")

Changed in version 6.0: The callback argument was removed. Use the returned awaitable object instead.

6.6.2 tornado.wsgi — Interoperability with other Python frameworks and servers

WSGI support for the Tornado web framework.

WSGI is the Python standard for web servers, and allows for interoperability between Tornado and other Python web frameworks and servers.

This module provides WSGI support via the WSGIContainer class, which makes it possible to run applications using other WSGI frameworks on the Tornado HTTP server. The reverse is not supported; the Tornado Application and RequestHandler classes are designed for use with the Tornado HTTPServer and cannot be used in a generic WSGI container.

class tornado.wsgi.WSGIContainer(wsgi_application: WSGIAppType)

    Makes a WSGI-compatible function runnable on Tornado’s HTTP server.
Warning: WSGI is a synchronous interface, while Tornado’s concurrency model is based on single-threaded asynchronous execution. This means that running a WSGI app with Tornado’s `WSGIContainer` is less scalable than running the same app in a multi-threaded WSGI server like `gunicorn` or `uwsgi`. Use `WSGIContainer` only when there are benefits to combining Tornado and WSGI in the same process that outweigh the reduced scalability.

Wrap a WSGI function in a `WSGIContainer` and pass it to `HTTPServer` to run it. For example:

```python
def simple_app(environ, start_response):
    status = "200 OK"
    response_headers = ["Content-type", "text/plain"]
    start_response(status, response_headers)
    return ["Hello world!\n"

container = tornado.wsgi.WSGIContainer(simple_app)
http_server = tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer(container)
http_server.listen(8888)
tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.current().start()
```

This class is intended to let other frameworks (Django, web.py, etc) run on the Tornado HTTP server and I/O loop.

The `tornado.web.FallbackHandler` class is often useful for mixing Tornado and WSGI apps in the same server. See [https://github.com/bdarnell/django-tornado-demo](https://github.com/bdarnell/django-tornado-demo) for a complete example.

```python
static environ (request: tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest) → Dict[str, Any]
Converts a `tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest` to a WSGI environment.
```

6.6.3 `tornado.platform.caresresolver` — Asynchronous DNS Resolver using C-Ares

This module contains a DNS resolver using the c-ares library (and its wrapper `pycares`).

```python
class tornado.platform.caresresolver.CaresResolver
Name resolver based on the c-ares library.
```

This is a non-blocking and non-threaded resolver. It may not produce the same results as the system resolver, but can be used for non-blocking resolution when threads cannot be used.

c-ares fails to resolve some names when `family` is `AF_UNSPEC`, so it is only recommended for use in `AF_INET` (i.e. IPv4). This is the default for `tornado.simple_httpclient`, but other libraries may default to `AF_UNSPEC`.

Deprecated since version 6.2: This class is deprecated and will be removed in Tornado 7.0. Use the default thread-based resolver instead.
6.6.4 `tornado.platform.twisted` — Bridges between Twisted and Tornado

Deprecation warning: This module is no longer recommended for new code. Instead of using direct integration between Tornado and Twisted, new applications should rely on the integration with `asyncio` provided by both packages.

Importing this module has the side effect of registering Twisted's `Deferred` class with Tornado's `@gen.coroutine` so that `Deferred` objects can be used with `yield` in coroutines using this decorator (importing this module has no effect on native coroutines using `async def`).

```python
import tornado.platform.twisted

install()
```

Install `AsyncioSelectorReactor` as the default Twisted reactor.

Deprecation warning: This function is provided for backwards compatibility; code that does not require compatibility with older versions of Tornado should use `twisted.internet.asyncioreactor.install()` directly.

Changed in version 6.0.3: In Tornado 5.x and before, this function installed a reactor based on the Tornado `IOLoop`. When that reactor implementation was removed in Tornado 6.0.0, this function was removed as well. It was restored in Tornado 6.0.3 using the `asyncio` reactor instead.

**Twisted DNS resolver**

```python
class tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedResolver
```

Twisted-based asynchronous resolver.

This is a non-blocking and non-threaded resolver. It is recommended only when threads cannot be used, since it has limitations compared to the standard `getaddrinfo`-based `Resolver` and `DefaultExecutorResolver`. Specifically, it returns at most one result, and arguments other than `host` and `family` are ignored. It may fail to resolve when `family` is not `socket.AF_UNSPEC`.

Requires Twisted 12.1 or newer.

Changed in version 5.0: The `io_loop` argument (deprecated since version 4.1) has been removed.

Deprecation warning: This class is deprecated and will be removed in Tornado 7.0. Use the default thread-based resolver instead.

6.6.5 `tornado.platform.asyncio` — Bridge between asyncio and Tornado

Bridges between the `asyncio` module and Tornado `IOLoop`.

New in version 3.2.

This module integrates Tornado with the `asyncio` module introduced in Python 3.4. This makes it possible to combine the two libraries on the same event loop.

Deprecation warning: While the code in this module is still used, it is now enabled automatically when `asyncio` is available, so applications should no longer need to refer to this module directly.

**Note:** Tornado is designed to use a selector-based event loop. On Windows, where a proactor-based event loop has been the default since Python 3.8, a selector event loop is emulated by running `select` on a separate thread. Configuring `asyncio` to use a selector event loop may improve performance of Tornado (but may reduce performance of other `asyncio`-based libraries in the same process).
class tornado.platform.asyncio.AsyncIOMainLoop(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
AsyncIOMainLoop creates an IOLoop that corresponds to the current asyncio event loop (i.e. the one returned by asyncio.get_event_loop()).

Deprecated since version 5.0: Now used automatically when appropriate; it is no longer necessary to refer to this class directly.

Changed in version 5.0: Closing an AsyncIOMainLoop now closes the underlying asyncio loop.

class tornado.platform.asyncio.AsyncIOLoop(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
AsyncIOLoop is an IOLoop that runs on an asyncio event loop. This class follows the usual Tornado semantics for creating new IOLoops; these loops are not necessarily related to the asyncio default event loop.

Each AsyncIOLoop creates a new asyncio.EventLoop; this object can be accessed with the asyncio_loop attribute.

Changed in version 5.0: When an AsyncIOLoop becomes the current IOLoop, it also sets the current asyncio event loop.

Deprecated since version 5.0: Now used automatically when appropriate; it is no longer necessary to refer to this class directly.

tornado.platform.asyncio.to_tornado_future(asyncio_future: asyncio.Future) → asyncio.Future
Convert an asyncio.Future to a tornado.concurrent.Future.

New in version 4.1.

Deprecated since version 5.0: Tornado Futures have been merged with asyncio.Future, so this method is now a no-op.

tornado.platform.asyncio.to_asyncio_future(tornado_future: tornado.concurrent.Future) → asyncio.Future
Convert a Tornado yieldable object to an asyncio.Future.

New in version 4.1.


Deprecated since version 5.0: Tornado Futures have been merged with asyncio.Future, so this method is now equivalent to tornado.gen.convert_yielded.

class tornado.platform.asyncio.AnyThreadEventLoopPolicy
Event loop policy that allows loop creation on any thread.

The default asyncio event loop policy only automatically creates event loops in the main threads. Other threads must create event loops explicitly or asyncio.get_event_loop (and therefore IOLoop.current) will fail. Installing this policy allows event loops to be created automatically on any thread, matching the behavior of Tornado versions prior to 5.0 (or 5.0 on Python 2).

Usage:

```python
asyncio.set_event_loop_policy(AnyThreadEventLoopPolicy())
```

New in version 5.0.

class tornado.platform.asyncio.AddThreadSelectorEventLoop(real_loop: asyncio.events.AbstractEventLoop)
Wrap an event loop to add implementations of the add_reader method family.

Instances of this class start a second thread to run a selector. This thread is completely hidden from the user; all callbacks are run on the wrapped event loop’s thread.

This class is used automatically by Tornado; applications should not need to refer to it directly.

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It is safe to wrap any event loop with this class, although it only makes sense for event loops that do not implement the `add_reader` family of methods themselves (i.e. `WindowsProactorEventLoop`).

Closing the `AddThreadSelectorEventLoop` also closes the wrapped event loop.

### 6.7 Utilities

#### 6.7.1 `tornado.autoreload` — Automatically detect code changes in development

Automatically restart the server when a source file is modified.

Most applications should not access this module directly. Instead, pass the keyword argument `autoreload=True` to the `tornado.web.Application` constructor (or `debug=True`, which enables this setting and several others). This will enable autoreload mode as well as checking for changes to templates and static resources. Note that restarting is a destructive operation and any requests in progress will be aborted when the process restarts. (If you want to disable autoreload while using other debug-mode features, pass both `debug=True` and `autoreload=False`).

This module can also be used as a command-line wrapper around scripts such as unit test runners. See the `main` method for details.

The command-line wrapper and Application debug modes can be used together. This combination is encouraged as the wrapper catches syntax errors and other import-time failures, while debug mode catches changes once the server has started.

This module will not work correctly when `HTTPServer`'s multi-process mode is used.

Reloading loses any Python interpreter command-line arguments (e.g. `-u`) because it re-executes Python using `sys.executable` and `sys.argv`. Additionally, modifying these variables will cause reloading to behave incorrectly.

```python
import tornado.autoreload

@tornado.autoreload.add_reload_hook
async def my_reload_hook(file, filename, *others):
    # Do something when the file is reloaded.

tornado.autoreload.add_reload_hook

@tornado.autoreload.add_reload_hook
async def my_reload_hook2(file, filename, *others):
    # Do something else when the file is reloaded.

# Example usage
import asyncio

@tornado.web.asynchronous
@tornado.autoreload.add_reload_hook
async def my_test_handler(self):
    # Do something with the file.
```

### Examples

```bash
python -m tornado.autoreload -m tornado.test.runtests
python -m tornado.autoreload tornado/test/runtests.py
```
Running a script with this wrapper is similar to calling `tornado.autoreload.wait` at the end of the script, but this wrapper can catch import-time problems like syntax errors that would otherwise prevent the script from reaching its call to `wait`.

### 6.7.2 `tornado.concurrent` — Work with Future objects

Utilities for working with Future objects.

Tornado previously provided its own `Future` class, but now uses `asyncio.Future`. This module contains utility functions for working with `asyncio.Future` in a way that is backwards-compatible with Tornado’s old `Future` implementation.

While this module is an important part of Tornado’s internal implementation, applications rarely need to interact with it directly.

```python
class tornado.concurrent.Future
    tornado.concurrent.Future is an alias for asyncio.Future.

    In Tornado, the main way in which applications interact with Future objects is by awaiting or yielding them in coroutines, instead of calling methods on the Future objects themselves. For more information on the available methods, see the asyncio.Future docs.

    Changed in version 5.0: Tornado’s implementation of Future has been replaced by the version from asyncio when available.
    
    • Future objects can only be created while there is a current IOLoop
    • The timing of callbacks scheduled with Future.add_done_callback has changed.
    • Cancellation is now partially supported (only on Python 3)
    • The exc_info and set_exc_info methods are no longer available on Python 3.
```

```python
tornado.concurrent.run_on_executor(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any) → Callable
    Decorator to run a synchronous method asynchronously on an executor.

    Returns a future.
```

The executor to be used is determined by the `executor` attributes of `self`. To use a different attribute name, pass a keyword argument to the decorator:

```python
@run_on_executor(executor='_thread_pool')
def foo(self):
    pass
```

This decorator should not be confused with the similarly-named `IOLoop.run_in_executor`. In general, using `run_in_executor` when calling a blocking method is recommended instead of using this decorator when defining a method. If compatibility with older versions of Tornado is required, consider defining an executor and using `executor.submit()` at the call site.

Changed in version 4.2: Added keyword arguments to use alternative attributes.

Changed in version 5.0: Always uses the current IOLoop instead of `self.io_loop`.

Changed in version 5.1: Returns a `Future` compatible with `await` instead of a `concurrent.futures.Future`.

Deprecated since version 5.1: The `callback` argument is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. The decorator itself is discouraged in new code but will not be removed in 6.0.

Changed in version 6.0: The `callback` argument was removed.
tornado.concurrent.chain_fUTURE (a: Future[_T], b: Future[_T]) \(\to\) None

Chain two futures together so that when one completes, so does the other.

The result (success or failure) of a will be copied to b, unless b has already been completed or cancelled by the time a finishes.

Changed in version 5.0: Now accepts both Tornado/asyncio Future objects and concurrent.futures.Future.

tornado.concurrent.future_set_result_unless_cancelled (future: Union[futures.Future[_T], Future[_T]], value: _T) \(\to\) None

Set the given value as the Future's result, if not cancelled.

Avoids asyncio.InvalidStateError when calling set_result() on a cancelled asyncio.Future.

New in version 5.0.

tornado.concurrent.future_set_exception_unless_cancelled (future: Union[futures.Future[_T], Future[_T]], exc: Base-Exception) \(\to\) None

Set the given exc as the Future's exception.

If the Future is already canceled, logs the exception instead. If this logging is not desired, the caller should explicitly check the state of the Future and call Future.set_exception instead of this wrapper.

Avoids asyncio.InvalidStateError when calling set_exception() on a cancelled asyncio.Future.

New in version 6.0.

tornado.concurrent.future_set_exc_info (future: Union[futures.Future[_T], Future[_T]], exc_info: Tuple[Optional[type], Optional[BaseException], Optional[traceback]]) \(\to\) None

Set the given exc_info as the Future's exception.

Understands both asyncio.Future and the extensions in older versions of Tornado to enable better traceback on Python 2.

New in version 5.0.

Changed in version 6.0: If the future is already cancelled, this function is a no-op. (previously asyncio.InvalidStateError would be raised)

tornado.concurrent.future_add_done_callback (future: futures.Future[_T], callback: Callable[[futures.Future[_T]], None]) \(\to\) None

tornado.concurrent.future_add_done_callback (future: Future[_T], callback: Callable[[Future[_T]], None]) \(\to\) None

Arrange to call callback when future is complete.

callback is invoked with one argument, the future.

If future is already done, callback is invoked immediately. This may differ from the behavior of Future.add_done_callback, which makes no such guarantee.

New in version 5.0.
6.7.3 **tornado.log** — Logging support

Logging support for Tornado.

Tornado uses three logger streams:

- **tornado.access**: Per-request logging for Tornado’s HTTP servers (and potentially other servers in the future)
- **tornado.application**: Logging of errors from application code (i.e. uncaught exceptions from callbacks)
- **tornado.general**: General-purpose logging, including any errors or warnings from Tornado itself.

These streams may be configured independently using the standard library’s `logging` module. For example, you may wish to send `tornado.access` logs to a separate file for analysis.

```python
class tornado.log.LogFormatter(fmt: str = '%(color)s%(levelname)1.1s %(asctime)s %(module)s:%(lineno)d%(end_color)s %(message)s',
datefmt: str = '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S',
style: str = '%',
color: bool = True,
)
```

Log formatter used in Tornado.

Key features of this formatter are:
- Color support when logging to a terminal that supports it.
- Timestamps on every log line.
- Robust against str/bytes encoding problems.

This formatter is enabled automatically by `tornado.options.parse_command_line` or `tornado.options.parse_config_file` (unless `--logging=none` is used).

Color support on Windows versions that do not support ANSI color codes is enabled by use of the colorama library. Applications that wish to use this must first initialize colorama with a call to `colorama.init`. See the colorama documentation for details.

Changed in version 4.5: Added support for colorama. Changed the constructor signature to be compatible with `logging.config.dictConfig`.

**Parameters**

- **color** *(bool)* – Enables color support.
- **fmt** *(str)* – Log message format. It will be applied to the attributes dict of log records. The text between `%{color}s` and `%{end_color}s` will be colored depending on the level if color support is on.
- **colors** *(dict)* – color mappings from logging level to terminal color code
- **datefmt** *(str)* – Datetime format. Used for formatting `(asctime)` placeholder in `prefix_fmt`.

Changed in version 3.2: Added fmt and datefmt arguments.

```python
tornado.log.enable_pretty_logging(options: Any = None, logger: Optional[logging.Logger] = None) → None
```

Turns on formatted logging output as configured.

This is called automatically by `tornado.options.parse_command_line` and `tornado.options.parse_config_file`.

```python
tornado.log.define_logging_options(options: Any = None) → None
```

Add logging-related flags to `options`.

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These options are present automatically on the default options instance; this method is only necessary if you have created your own `OptionParser`.

New in version 4.2: This function existed in prior versions but was broken and undocumented until 4.2.

### 6.7.4 tornado.options — Command-line parsing

A command line parsing module that lets modules define their own options.

This module is inspired by Google’s `gflags`. The primary difference with libraries such as `argparse` is that a global registry is used so that options may be defined in any module (it also enables `tornado.log` by default). The rest of Tornado does not depend on this module, so feel free to use `argparse` or other configuration libraries if you prefer them.

Options must be defined with `tornado.options.define` before use, generally at the top level of a module. The options are then accessible as attributes of `tornado.options.options`:

```python
# myapp/db.py
from tornado.options import define, options

define("mysql_host", default="127.0.0.1:3306", help="Main user DB")
define("memcache_hosts", default="127.0.0.1:11011", multiple=True, help="Main user memcache servers")

def connect():
    db = database.Connection(options.mysql_host)
    ...

# myapp/server.py
from tornado.options import define, options

define("port", default=8080, help="port to listen on")

def start_server():
    app = make_app()
    app.listen(options.port)
```

The `main()` method of your application does not need to be aware of all of the options used throughout your program; they are all automatically loaded when the modules are loaded. However, all modules that define options must have been imported before the command line is parsed.

Your `main()` method can parse the command line or parse a config file with either `parse_command_line` or `parse_config_file`:

```python
import myapp.db, myapp.server
import tornado.options

if __name__ == '__main__':
    tornado.options.parse_command_line()
    # or
    tornado.options.parse_config_file("/etc/server.conf")
```

**Note:** When using multiple `parse_*` functions, pass `final=False` to all but the last one, or side effects may occur twice (in particular, this can result in log messages being doubled).
tornado.options.options is a singleton instance of OptionParser, and the top-level functions in this module (define, parse_command_line, etc) simply call methods on it. You may create additional OptionParser instances to define isolated sets of options, such as for subcommands.

Note: By default, several options are defined that will configure the standard logging module when parse_command_line or parse_config_file are called. If you want Tornado to leave the logging configuration alone so you can manage it yourself, either pass --logging=none on the command line or do the following to disable it in code:

```python
from tornado.options import options, parse_command_line
options.logging = None
parse_command_line()
```

Changed in version 4.3: Dashes and underscores are fully interchangeable in option names; options can be defined, set, and read with any mix of the two. Dashes are typical for command-line usage while config files require underscores.

**Global functions**

tornado.options.define (name: str, default: Any = None, type: Optional[type] = None, help: Optional[str] = None, metavar: Optional[str] = None, multiple: bool = False, group: Optional[str] = None, callback: Optional[Callable[[Any], None]] = None) → None

Defines an option in the global namespace.

See OptionParser.define.

tornado.options.options

Global options object. All defined options are available as attributes on this object.

tornado.options.parse_command_line (args: Optional[List[str]] = None, final: bool = True) → List[str]

Parses global options from the command line.

See OptionParser.parse_command_line.

tornado.options.parse_config_file (path: str, final: bool = True) → None

Parses global options from a config file.

See OptionParser.parse_config_file.

tornado.options.print_help (file=sys.stderr)

Prints all the command line options to stderr (or another file).

See OptionParser.print_help.

tornado.options.add_parse_callback (callback: Callable[[Any], None]) → None

Adds a parse callback, to be invoked when option parsing is done.

See OptionParser.add_parse_callback

**exception** tornado.options.Error

Exception raised by errors in the options module.
OptionParser class

```python
class tornado.options.OptionParser
A collection of options, a dictionary with object-like access.

OptionParser.define(name: str, default: Any = None, type: Optional[type] = None, help: Optional[str] = None, metavar: Optional[str] = None, multiple: bool = False, group: Optional[str] = None, callback: Optional[Callable[[Any], None]] = None) → None

Defines a new command line option.

type can be any of str, int, float, bool, datetime, or timedelta. If no type is given but a default is, type is the type of default. Otherwise, type defaults to str.

If multiple is True, the option value is a list of type instead of an instance of type.

help and metavar are used to construct the automatically generated command line help string. The help message is formatted like:

```
--name=METAVAR help string
```

group is used to group the defined options in logical groups. By default, command line options are grouped by the file in which they are defined.

Command line option names must be unique globally.

If a callback is given, it will be run with the new value whenever the option is changed. This can be used to combine command-line and file-based options:

```python
define("config", type=str, help="path to config file",
      callback=lambda path: parse_config_file(path, final=False))
```

With this definition, options in the file specified by --config will override options set earlier on the command line, but can be overridden by later flags.

OptionParser.parse_command_line(args: Optional[List[str]] = None, final: bool = True) → List[str]

 Parses all options given on the command line (defaults to sys.argv).

Options look like --option=value and are parsed according to their type. For boolean options, --option is equivalent to --option=true

If the option has multiple=True, comma-separated values are accepted. For multi-value integer options, the syntax x:y is also accepted and equivalent to range(x, y).

Note that args[0] is ignored since it is the program name in sys.argv.

We return a list of all arguments that are not parsed as options.

If final is False, parse callbacks will not be run. This is useful for applications that wish to combine configurations from multiple sources.

OptionParser.parse_config_file(path: str, final: bool = True) → None

Parses and loads the config file at the given path.

The config file contains Python code that will be executed (so it is not safe to use untrusted config files). Anything in the global namespace that matches a defined option will be used to set that option’s value.

Options may either be the specified type for the option or strings (in which case they will be parsed the same way as in parse_command_line)

Example (using the options defined in the top-level docs of this module):
port = 80
mysql_host = 'mydb.example.com:3306'
# Both lists and comma-separated strings are allowed for
# multiple=True.
memcache_hosts = ['cache1.example.com:11011',
    'cache2.example.com:11011']
memcache_hosts = 'cache1.example.com:11011,cache2.example.com:11011'

If final is False, parse callbacks will not be run. This is useful for applications that wish to combine configurations from multiple sources.

Note: tornado.options is primarily a command-line library. Config file support is provided for applications that wish to use it, but applications that prefer config files may wish to look at other libraries instead.

Changed in version 4.1: Config files are now always interpreted as utf-8 instead of the system default encoding.

Changed in version 4.4: The special variable __file__ is available inside config files, specifying the absolute path to the config file itself.

Changed in version 5.1: Added the ability to set options via strings in config files.

OptionParser.print_help (file: Optional[TextIO] = None) → None
Prints all the command line options to stderr (or another file).

OptionParser.add_parse_callback (callback: Callable[[], None]) → None
Adds a parse callback, to be invoked when option parsing is done.

OptionParser.mockable () → tornado.options._Mockable
Returns a wrapper around self that is compatible with mock.patch.

The mock.patch function (included in the standard library unittest.mock package since Python 3.3, or in the third-party mock package for older versions of Python) is incompatible with objects like options that override __getattr__ and __setattr__. This function returns an object that can be used with mock.patch.object to modify option values:

```python
with mock.patch.object(options.mockable(), 'name', value):
    assert options.name == value
```

OptionParser.items () → Iterable[Tuple[str, Any]]
An iterable of (name, value) pairs.
New in version 3.1.

OptionParser.as_dict () → Dict[str, Any]
The names and values of all options.
New in version 3.1.

OptionParser.groups () → Set[str]
The set of option-groups created by define.
New in version 3.1.

OptionParser.group_dict (group: str) → Dict[str, Any]
The names and values of options in a group.
Useful for copying options into Application settings:
from tornado.options import define, parse_command_line, options

define('template_path', group='application')
define('static_path', group='application')
parse_command_line()

application = Application(
    handlers, **options.group_dict('application'))

New in version 3.1.

6.7.5 tornado.testing — Unit testing support for asynchronous code

Support classes for automated testing.

- AsyncTestCase and AsyncHTTPTestCase: Subclasses of unittest.TestCase with additional support for testing asynchronous (IOLoop-based) code.
- ExpectLog: Make test logs less spammy.
- main(): A simple test runner (wrapper around unittest.main()) with support for the tornado.autoreload module to rerun the tests when code changes.

Asynchronous test cases

class tornado.testing.AsyncTestCase (methodName: str = 'runTest')
    TestCase subclass for testing IOLoop-based asynchronous code.

    The unittest framework is synchronous, so the test must be complete by the time the test method returns. This means that asynchronous code cannot be used in quite the same way as usual and must be adapted to fit. To write your tests with coroutines, decorate your test methods with tornado.testing.gen_test instead of tornado.gen.coroutine.

    This class also provides the (deprecated) stop() and wait() methods for a more manual style of testing. The test method itself must call self.wait(), and asynchronous callbacks should call self.stop() to signal completion.

    By default, a new IOLoop is constructed for each test and is available as self.io_loop. If the code being tested requires a global IOLoop, subclasses should override get_new_ioloop to return it.

    The IOLoop's start and stop methods should not be called directly. Instead, use self.stop and self.wait. Arguments passed to self.stop are returned from self.wait. It is possible to have multiple wait/stop cycles in the same test.

    Example:

    # This test uses coroutine style.
    class MyTestCase (AsyncTestCase):
        @tornado.testing.gen_test
        def test_http_fetch(self):
            client = AsyncHTTPClient()
            response = yield client.fetch("http://www.tornadoweb.org")
            # Test contents of response
            self.assertIn("FriendFeed", response.body)

    # This test uses argument passing between self.stop and self.wait.
```python
class MyTestCase2(AsyncTestCase):
    def test_http_fetch(self):
        client = AsyncHTTPClient()
        client.fetch("http://www.tornadoweb.org/", self.stop)
        response = self.wait()
        # Test contents of response
        self.assertIn("FriendFeed", response.body)
```

`get_new_ioloop()` → `tornado.ioloop.IOLoop`

Returns the `IOLoop` to use for this test.

By default, a new `IOLoop` is created for each test. Subclasses may override this method to return `IOLoop.current()` if it is not appropriate to use a new `IOLoop` in each tests (for example, if there are global singletons using the default `IOLoop`) or if a per-test event loop is being provided by another system (such as `pytest-asyncio`).

`stop(_arg: Any = None, **kwargs: Any) → None`

Stops the `IOLoop`, causing one pending (or future) call to `wait()` to return.

Keyword arguments or a single positional argument passed to `stop()` are saved and will be returned by `wait()`.

Deprecated since version 5.1: `stop` and `wait` are deprecated; use `@gen_test` instead.

`wait(condition: Optional[Callable[..., bool]] = None, timeout: Optional[float] = None) → Any`

Runs the `IOLoop` until stop is called or timeout has passed.

In the event of a timeout, an exception will be thrown. The default timeout is 5 seconds; it may be overridden with a `timeout` keyword argument or globally with the `ASYNC_TEST_TIMEOUT` environment variable.

If `condition` is not `None`, the `IOLoop` will be restarted after `stop()` until `condition()` returns `True`.

Changed in version 3.1: Added the `ASYNC_TEST_TIMEOUT` environment variable.

Deprecated since version 5.1: `stop` and `wait` are deprecated; use `@gen_test` instead.

```python
class tornado.testing.AsyncHTTPTestCase(methodName: str = 'runTest')
A test case that starts up an HTTP server.
```

Subclasses must override `get_app()`, which returns the `tornado.web.Application` (or other `HTTPServer` callback) to be tested. Tests will typically use the provided `self.http_client` to fetch URLs from this server.

Example, assuming the “Hello, world” example from the user guide is in `hello.py`:

```python
import hello

class TestHelloApp(AsyncHTTPTestCase):
    def get_app(self):
        return hello.make_app()

    def test_homepage(self):
        response = self.fetch('/')
        self.assertEqual(response.code, 200)
        self.assertEqual(response.body, 'Hello, world')
```

That call to `self.fetch()` is equivalent to
which illustrates how AsyncTestCase can turn an asynchronous operation, like `http_client.fetch()`, into a synchronous operation. If you need to do other asynchronous operations in tests, you’ll probably need to use `stop()` and `wait()` yourself.

```python
self.http_client.fetch(self.get_url('/'), self.stop)
response = self.wait()
```

`get_app()` → `tornado.web.Application`
Should be overridden by subclasses to return a `tornado.web.Application` or other `HTTPServer` callback.

`fetch(path: str, raise_error: bool = False, **kwargs: Any) → tornado.httpclient.HTTPResponse`
Convenience method to synchronously fetch a URL.

The given path will be appended to the local server’s host and port. Any additional keyword arguments will be passed directly to `AsyncHTTPClient.fetch` (and so could be used to pass `method="POST", body="...", etc`).

If the path begins with `http://` or `https://`, it will be treated as a full URL and will be fetched as-is.

If `raise_error` is True, a `tornado.httpclient.HTTPError` will be raised if the response code is not 200. This is the same behavior as the `raise_error` argument to `AsyncHTTPClient.fetch`, but the default is `False` here (it’s `True` in `AsyncHTTPClient`) because tests often need to deal with non-200 response codes.

Changed in version 5.0: Added support for absolute URLs.

Changed in version 5.1: Added the `raise_error` argument.

Deprecated since version 5.1: This method currently turns any exception into an `HTTPResponse` with status code 599. In Tornado 6.0, errors other than `tornado.httpclient.HTTPError` will be passed through, and `raise_error=False` will only suppress errors that would be raised due to non-200 response codes.

`get_httpserver_options()` → `Dict[str, Any]`
May be overridden by subclasses to return additional keyword arguments for the server.

`get_http_port()` → `int`
Returns the port used by the server.

A new port is chosen for each test.

`get_url(path: str) → str`
Returns an absolute url for the given path on the test server.

```
class tornado.testing.AsyncHTTPSTestCase (methodName: str = 'runTest')
```
A test case that starts an HTTPS server.

Interface is generally the same as `AsyncHTTPSTestCase`.

`get_ssl_options()` → `Dict[str, Any]`
May be overridden by subclasses to select SSL options.

By default includes a self-signed testing certificate.

```
tornado.testing.gen_test (*, timeout: Optional[Float] = 'None') → Callable[[Callable[[...],
Union[collections.abc.Generator, Coroutine]], Callable[[...], None]]
tornado.testing.gen_test (func: Callable[[...], Union[collections.abc.Generator, Coroutine]]) →
Callable[[...], None]
```
Testing equivalent of `@gen.coroutine`, to be applied to test methods.

`@gen.coroutine` cannot be used on tests because the `IOLoop` is not already running. `@gen_test` should be applied to test methods on subclasses of `AsyncTestCase`.

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Example:

```python
class MyTest(AsyncHTTPTestCase):
    @gen_test
    def test_something(self):
        response = yield self.http_client.fetch(self.get_url('/'))
```

By default, @gen_test times out after 5 seconds. The timeout may be overridden globally with the ASYNC_TEST_TIMEOUT environment variable, or for each test with the timeout keyword argument:

```python
class MyTest(AsyncHTTPTestCase):
    @gen_test(timeout=10)
    def test_something_slow(self):
        response = yield self.http_client.fetch(self.get_url('/'))
```

Note that @gen_test is incompatible with AsyncTestCase.stop, AsyncTestCase.wait, and AsyncHTTPTestCase.fetch. Use yield self.http_client.fetch(self.get_url()) as shown above instead.

New in version 3.1: The timeout argument and ASYNC_TEST_TIMEOUT environment variable.

Changed in version 4.0: The wrapper now passes along *args, **kwargs so it can be used on functions with arguments.

**Controlling log output**

```python
class tornado.testing.ExpectLog(logger: Union[logging.Logger, str], regex: str, required: bool = True, level: Optional[int] = None)
```

Context manager to capture and suppress expected log output.

Useful to make tests of error conditions less noisy, while still leaving unexpected log entries visible. Not thread safe.

The attribute logged_stack is set to True if any exception stack trace was logged.

Usage:

```python
with ExpectLog('tornado.application', "Uncaught exception"):
    error_response = self.fetch("/some_page")
```

Changed in version 4.3: Added the logged_stack attribute.

Constructs an ExpectLog context manager.

**Parameters**

- **logger** – Logger object (or name of logger) to watch. Pass an empty string to watch the root logger.
- **regex** – Regular expression to match. Any log entries on the specified logger that match this regex will be suppressed.
- **required** – If true, an exception will be raised if the end of the with statement is reached without matching any log entries.
- **level** – A constant from the logging module indicating the expected log level. If this parameter is provided, only log messages at this level will be considered to match. Additionally, the supplied logger will have its level adjusted if necessary (for the duration of the ExpectLog to enable the expected message).

Changed in version 6.1: Added the level parameter.
Test runner

tornado.testing.main(**kwargs: Any) → None
A simple test runner.

This test runner is essentially equivalent to unittest.main from the standard library, but adds support for
Tornado-style option parsing and log formatting. It is not necessary to use this main function to run tests using
AsyncTestCase; these tests are self-contained and can run with any test runner.

The easiest way to run a test is via the command line:

```python
python -m tornado.testing tornado.test.web_test
```

See the standard library unittest module for ways in which tests can be specified.

Projects with many tests may wish to define a test script like tornado/test/runtests.py. This script
should define a method all() which returns a test suite and then call tornado.testing.main(). Note
that even when a test script is used, the all() test suite may be overridden by naming a single test on the
command line:

```python
# Runs all tests
python -m tornado.test.runtests
# Runs one test
python -m tornado.test.runtests tornado.test.web_test
```

Additional keyword arguments passed through to unittest.main(). For example, use tornado.
testing.main(verbosity=2) to show many test details as they are run. See http://docs.python.org/
library/unittest.html#unittest.main for full argument list.

Changed in version 5.0: This function produces no output of its own; only that produced by the unittest
module (previously it would add a PASS or FAIL log message).

Helper functions

tornado.testing.bind_unused_port(reuse_port: bool = False) → Tuple[socket.socket, int]
Binds a server socket to an available port on localhost.

Returns a tuple (socket, port).

Changed in version 4.4: Always binds to 127.0.0.1 without resolving the name localhost.

tornado.testing.get_async_test_timeout() → float
Get the global timeout setting for async tests.

Returns a float, the timeout in seconds.

New in version 3.1.

6.7.6 tornado.util — General-purpose utilities

Miscellaneous utility functions and classes.

This module is used internally by Tornado. It is not necessarily expected that the functions and classes defined here
will be useful to other applications, but they are documented here in case they are.

The one public-facing part of this module is the Configurable class and its configure method, which becomes
a part of the interface of its subclasses, including AsyncHTTPClient, IOLoop, and Resolver.
exception tornado.util.TimeoutError
Exception raised by with_timeout and IOLoop.run_sync.

Changed in version 5.0: Unified tornado.gen.TimeoutError and tornado.ioloop.TimeoutError. Both former names remain as aliases.

class tornado.util.ObjectDict
Makes a dictionary behave like an object, with attribute-style access.

class tornado.util.GzipDecompressor
Streaming gzip decompressor.
The interface is like that of zlib.decompressobj (without some of the optional arguments, but it understands gzip headers and checksums).

decompress(value: bytes, max_length: int = 0) → bytes
Decompress a chunk, returning newly-available data.

Some data may be buffered for later processing; flush must be called when there is no more input data to ensure that all data was processed.

If max_length is given, some input data may be left over in unconsumed_tail; you must retrieve this value and pass it back to a future call to decompress if it is not empty.

property unconsumed_tail
Returns the unconsumed portion left over

flush() → bytes
Return any remaining buffered data not yet returned by decompress.

Also checks for errors such as truncated input. No other methods may be called on this object after flush.

tornado.util.import_object(name: str) → Any
Imports an object by name.

import_object('x') is equivalent to import x. import_object('x.y.z') is equivalent to from x.y import z.

>>> import tornado.escape
>>> import_object('tornado.escape') is tornado.escape
True
>>> import_object('tornado.escape.utf8') is tornado.escape.utf8
True
>>> import_object('tornado') is tornado
True
>>> import_object('tornado.missing_module')
Traceback (most recent call last):
... ImportError: No module named missing_module

tornado.util.errno_from_exception(e: BaseException) → Optional[int]
Provides the errno from an Exception object.

There are cases that the errno attribute was not set so we pull the errno out of the args but if someone instantiates an Exception without any args you will get a tuple error. So this function abstracts all that behavior to give you a safe way to get the errno.

tornado.util.re_unescape(s: str) → str
Unescape a string escaped by re.escape.

May raise ValueError for regular expressions which could not have been produced by re.escape (for example, strings containing \d cannot be unescaped).
New in version 4.4.

```python
class tornado.util.Configurable(*args: Any, **kwargs: Any)
    Base class for configurable interfaces.

    A configurable interface is an (abstract) class whose constructor acts as a factory function for one of its implementation subclasses. The implementation subclass as well as optional keyword arguments to its initializer can be set globally at runtime with configure.

    By using the constructor as the factory method, the interface looks like a normal class, isinstance works as usual, etc. This pattern is most useful when the choice of implementation is likely to be a global decision (e.g. when epoll is available, always use it instead of select), or when a previously-monolithic class has been split into specialized subclasses.

    Configurable subclasses must define the class methods configurable_base and configurable_default, and use the instance method initialize instead of __init__.

    Changed in version 5.0: It is now possible for configuration to be specified at multiple levels of a class hierarchy.

    classmethod configurable_base()
        Returns the base class of a configurable hierarchy.

        This will normally return the class in which it is defined. (which is not necessarily the same as the cls classmethod parameter).

    classmethod configurable_default()
        Returns the implementation class to be used if none is configured.

    initialize() -> None
        Initialize a Configurable subclass instance.

        Configurable classes should use initialize instead of __init__.

        Changed in version 4.2: Now accepts positional arguments in addition to keyword arguments.

    classmethod configure(impl, **kwargs)
        Sets the class to use when the base class is instantiated.

        Keyword arguments will be saved and added to the arguments passed to the constructor. This can be used to set global defaults for some parameters.

    classmethod configured_class()
        Returns the currently configured class.
```

```python
class tornado.util.ArgReplacer(func: Callable, name: str)
    Replaces one value in an args, kwargs pair.

    Inspects the function signature to find an argument by name whether it is passed by position or keyword. For use in decorators and similar wrappers.

    get_old_value(args: Sequence[Any], kwargs: Dict[str, Any], default: Any = None) -> Any
        Returns the old value of the named argument without replacing it.

        Returns default if the argument is not present.

    replace(new_value: Any, args: Sequence[Any], kwargs: Dict[str, Any]) -> Tuple[Any, Sequence[Any], Dict[str, Any]]
        Replace the named argument in args, kwargs with new_value.

        Returns (old_value, args, kwargs). The returned args and kwargs objects may not be the same as the input objects, or the input objects may be mutated.

        If the named argument was not found, new_value will be added to kwargs and None will be returned as old_value.
```

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tornado.util.timedelta_to_seconds(td)
Equivalent to td.total_seconds() (introduced in Python 2.7).

6.8 Frequently Asked Questions

- Why isn’t this example with time.sleep() running in parallel?
- My code is asynchronous. Why is it not running in parallel in two browser tabs?

6.8.1 Why isn’t this example with time.sleep() running in parallel?

Many people’s first foray into Tornado’s concurrency looks something like this:

```python
class BadExampleHandler(RequestHandler):
    def get(self):
        for i in range(5):
            print(i)
            time.sleep(1)
```

Fetch this handler twice at the same time and you’ll see that the second five-second countdown doesn’t start until the first one has completely finished. The reason for this is that `time.sleep` is a blocking function: it doesn’t allow control to return to the IOLoop so that other handlers can be run.

Of course, `time.sleep` is really just a placeholder in these examples, the point is to show what happens when something in a handler gets slow. No matter what the real code is doing, to achieve concurrency blocking code must be replaced with non-blocking equivalents. This means one of three things:

1. Find a coroutine-friendly equivalent. For `time.sleep`, use `tornado.gen.sleep` (or `asyncio.sleep`) instead:

   ```python
class CoroutineSleepHandler(RequestHandler):
    async def get(self):
        for i in range(5):
            print(i)
            await gen.sleep(1)
```

   When this option is available, it is usually the best approach. See the Tornado wiki for links to asynchronous libraries that may be useful.

2. Find a callback-based equivalent. Similar to the first option, callback-based libraries are available for many tasks, although they are slightly more complicated to use than a library designed for coroutines. Adapt the callback-based function into a future:

   ```python
class CoroutineTimeoutHandler(RequestHandler):
    async def get(self):
        io_loop = IOLoop.current()
        for i in range(5):
            print(i)
            f = tornado.concurrent.Future()
            do_something_with_callback(f.set_result)
            result = await f
```

   Again, the Tornado wiki can be useful to find suitable libraries.
3. **Run the blocking code on another thread.** When asynchronous libraries are not available, `concurrent.futures.ThreadPoolExecutor` can be used to run any blocking code on another thread. This is a universal solution that can be used for any blocking function whether an asynchronous counterpart exists or not:

```python
class ThreadPoolHandler(RequestHandler):
    async def get(self):
        for i in range(5):
            print(i)
            await IOLoop.current().run_in_executor(None, time.sleep, 1)
```

See the *Asynchronous I/O* chapter of the Tornado user’s guide for more on blocking and asynchronous functions.

### 6.8.2 My code is asynchronous. Why is it not running in parallel in two browser tabs?

Even when a handler is asynchronous and non-blocking, it can be surprisingly tricky to verify this. Browsers will recognize that you are trying to load the same page in two different tabs and delay the second request until the first has finished. To work around this and see that the server is in fact working in parallel, do one of two things:

- Add something to your urls to make them unique. Instead of `http://localhost:8888` in both tabs, load `http://localhost:8888/?x=1` in one and `http://localhost:8888/?x=2` in the other.

- Use two different browsers. For example, Firefox will be able to load a url even while that same url is being loaded in a Chrome tab.

### 6.9 Release notes

#### 6.9.1 What’s new in Tornado 6.1.0

**Oct 30, 2020**

**Deprecation notice**

- This is the last release of Tornado to support Python 3.5. Future versions will require Python 3.6 or newer.

**General changes**

- Windows support has been improved. Tornado is now compatible with the proactor event loop (which became the default in Python 3.8) by automatically falling back to running a selector in a second thread. This means that it is no longer necessary to explicitly configure a selector event loop, although doing so may improve performance. This does not change the fact that Tornado is significantly less scalable on Windows than on other platforms.

- Binary wheels are now provided for Windows, MacOS, and Linux (amd64 and arm64).
tornado.gen

- **coroutine** now has better support for the Python 3.7+ `contextvars` module. In particular, the `ContextVar.reset` method is now supported.

**tornado.http1connection**

- HEAD requests to handlers that used chunked encoding no longer produce malformed output.
- Certain kinds of malformed gzip data no longer cause an infinite loop.

**tornado.httpclient**

- Setting `decompress_response=False` now works correctly with `curl_httpclient`.
- Mixing requests with and without proxies works correctly in `curl_httpclient` (assuming the version of `pycurl` is recent enough).
- A default User-Agent of `Tornado/$VERSION` is now used if the `user_agent` parameter is not specified.
- After a 303 redirect, `tornado.simple_httpclient` always uses GET. Previously this would use GET if the original request was a POST and would otherwise reuse the original request method. For `curl_httpclient`, the behavior depends on the version of libcurl (with the most recent versions using GET after 303 regardless of the original method).
- Setting `request_timeout` and/or `connect_timeout` to zero is now supported to disable the timeout.

**tornado.httputil**

- Header parsing is now faster.
- `parse_body_arguments` now accepts incompletely-escaped non-ASCII inputs.

**tornado.iostream**

- `ssl.CertificateError` during the SSL handshake is now handled correctly.
- Reads that are resolved while the stream is closing are now handled correctly.

**tornado.log**

- When colored logging is enabled, `logging.CRITICAL` messages are now recognized and colored magenta.
tornado.netutil

- `EADDRNOTAVAIL` is now ignored when binding to `localhost` with IPv6. This error is common in docker.

tornado.platform.asyncio

- `AnyThreadEventLoopPolicy` now also configures a selector event loop for these threads (the proactor event loop only works on the main thread)

tornado.platform.auto

- The `set_close_exec` function has been removed.

tornado.testing

- `ExpectLog` now has a `level` argument to ensure that the given log level is enabled.

tornado.web

- `RedirectHandler.get` now accepts keyword arguments.
- When sending 304 responses, more headers (including `Allow`) are now preserved.
- `reverse_url` correctly handles escaped characters in the regex route.
- Default `Etag` headers are now generated with SHA-512 instead of MD5.

tornado.websocket

- The `ping_interval` timer is now stopped when the connection is closed.
- `websocket_connect` now raises an error when it encounters a redirect instead of hanging.

6.9.2 What's new in Tornado 6.0.4

Mar 3, 2020

General changes

- Binary wheels are now available for Python 3.8 on Windows. Note that it is still necessary to use `asyncio.set_event_loop_policy(asyncio.WindowsSelectorEventLoopPolicy())` for this platform/version.
Bug fixes

- Fixed an issue in IOStream (introduced in 6.0.0) that resulted in StreamClosedError being incorrectly raised if a stream is closed mid-read but there is enough buffered data to satisfy the read.
- AnyThreadEventLoopPolicy now always uses the selector event loop on Windows.

6.9.3 What’s new in Tornado 6.0.3

Jun 22, 2019

Bug fixes

- gen.with_timeout always treats asyncio.CancelledError as a quiet_exception (this improves compatibility with Python 3.8, which changed CancelledError to a BaseException).
- IOStream now checks for closed streams earlier, avoiding spurious logged errors in some situations (mainly with websockets).

6.9.4 What’s new in Tornado 6.0.2

Mar 23, 2019

Bug fixes

- WebSocketHandler.set_nodelay works again.
- Accessing HTTPResponse.body now returns an empty byte string instead of raising ValueError for error responses that don’t have a body (it returned None in this case in Tornado 5).

6.9.5 What’s new in Tornado 6.0.1

Mar 3, 2019

Bug fixes

- Fixed issues with type annotations that caused errors while importing Tornado on Python 3.5.2.

6.9.6 What’s new in Tornado 6.0

Mar 1, 2019

Backwards-incompatible changes

- Python 2.7 and 3.4 are no longer supported; the minimum supported Python version is 3.5.2.
- APIs deprecated in Tornado 5.1 have been removed. This includes the tornado.stack_context module and most callback arguments throughout the package. All removed APIs emitted DeprecationWarning.
when used in Tornado 5.1, so running your application with the -Wd Python command-line flag or the environment variable PYTHONWARNINGS=d should tell you whether your application is ready to move to Tornado 6.0.

- `.WebSocketHandler.get` is now a coroutine and must be called accordingly in any subclasses that override this method (but note that overriding `get` is not recommended; either `prepare` or `open` should be used instead).

**General changes**

- Tornado now includes type annotations compatible with `mypy`. These annotations will be used when type-checking your application with `mypy`, and may be usable in editors and other tools.
- Tornado now uses native coroutines internally, improving performance.

**tornado.auth**

- All callback arguments in this package have been removed. Use the coroutine interfaces instead.
- The `OAuthMixin._oauth_get_user` method has been removed. Override `_oauth_get_user_future` instead.

**tornado.concurrent**

- The callback argument to `run_on_executor` has been removed.
- `return_future` has been removed.

**tornado.gen**

- Some older portions of this module have been removed. This includes `engine`, `YieldPoint`, `Callback`, `Wait`, `WaitAll`, `MultiYieldPoint`, and `Task`.
- Functions decorated with `@gen.coroutine` no longer accept callback arguments.

**tornado.httpclient**

- The behavior of `raise_error=False` has changed. Now only suppresses the errors raised due to completed responses with non-200 status codes (previously it suppressed all errors).
- The callback argument to `AsyncHTTPClient.fetch` has been removed.
tornado.httputil

- HTTPServerRequest.write has been removed. Use the methods of request.connection instead.
- Unrecognized Content-Encoding values now log warnings only for content types that we would otherwise attempt to parse.

tornado.ioloop

- IOLoop.set_blocking_signal_threshold, IOLoop.set_blocking_log_threshold, IOLoop.log_stack, and IOLoop.handle_callback_exception have been removed.
- Improved performance of IOLoop.add_callback.

tornado.iostream

- All callback arguments in this module have been removed except for BaseIOStream.set_close_callback.
- streaming_callback arguments to BaseIOStream.read_bytes and BaseIOStream.read_until_close have been removed.
- Eliminated unnecessary logging of “Errno 0”.

tornado.log

- Log files opened by this module are now explicitly set to UTF-8 encoding.

tornado.netutil

- The results of getaddrinfo are now sorted by address family to avoid partial failures and deadlocks.

tornado.platform.twisted

- TornadoReactor and TwistedIOLoop have been removed.

tornado.simple_httpclient

- The default HTTP client now supports the network_interface request argument to specify the source IP for the connection.
- If a server returns a 3xx response code without a Location header, the response is raised or returned directly instead of trying and failing to follow the redirect.
- When following redirects, methods other than POST will no longer be transformed into GET requests. 301 (permanent) redirects are now treated the same way as 302 (temporary) and 303 (see other) redirects in this respect.
- Following redirects now works with body_producer.
tornado.stack_context

- The `tornado.stack_context` module has been removed.

tornado.tcpserver

- `TCPServer.start` now supports a `max_restarts` argument (same as `fork_processes`).

tornado.testing

- `AsyncHTTPTestCase` now drops all references to the `Application` during `tearDown`, allowing its memory to be reclaimed sooner.
- `AsyncTestCase` now cancels all pending coroutines in `tearDown`, in an effort to reduce warnings from the python runtime about coroutines that were not awaited. Note that this may cause `asyncio.CancelledError` to be logged in other places. Coroutines that expect to be running at test shutdown may need to catch this exception.

tornado.web

- The `asynchronous` decorator has been removed.
- The `callback` argument to `RequestHandler.flush` has been removed.
- `StaticFileHandler` now supports large negative values for the `Range` header and returns an appropriate error for `end > start`.
- It is now possible to set `expires_days` in `xsrf_cookie_kwargs`.

tornado.websocket

- Pings and other messages sent while the connection is closing are now silently dropped instead of logging exceptions.
- Errors raised by `open()` are now caught correctly when this method is a coroutine.

tornado.wsgi

- `WSGIApplication` and `WSGIAdapter` have been removed.

6.9.7 What’s new in Tornado 5.1.1

Sep 16, 2018

Bug fixes

- Fixed an case in which the `Future` returned by `RequestHandler.finish` could fail to resolve.
- The `TwitterMixin.authenticate_redirect` method works again.
• Improved error handling in the `tornado.auth` module, fixing hanging requests when a network or other error occurs.

6.9.8 What’s new in Tornado 5.1

July 12, 2018

Deprecation notice

• Tornado 6.0 will drop support for Python 2.7 and 3.4. The minimum supported Python version will be 3.5.2.

• The `tornado.stack_context` module is deprecated and will be removed in Tornado 6.0. The reason for this is that it is not feasible to provide this module’s semantics in the presence of `async def` native coroutines. `ExceptionStackContext` is mainly obsolete thanks to coroutines. `StackContext` lacks a direct replacement although the new `contextvars` package (in the Python standard library beginning in Python 3.7) may be an alternative.

• Callback-oriented code often relies on `ExceptionStackContext` to handle errors and prevent leaked connections. In order to avoid the risk of silently introducing subtle leaks (and to consolidate all of Tornado’s interfaces behind the coroutine pattern), callback arguments throughout the package are deprecated and will be removed in version 6.0. All functions that had a callback argument removed now return a `Future` which should be used instead.

• Where possible, deprecation warnings are emitted when any of these deprecated interfaces is used. However, Python does not display deprecation warnings by default. To prepare your application for Tornado 6.0, run Python with the `-Wd` argument or set the environment variable `PYTHONWARNINGS` to `d`. If your application runs on Python 3 without deprecation warnings, it should be able to move to Tornado 6.0 without disruption.

`tornado.auth`

• `OAuthMixin._oauth_get_user_future` may now be a native coroutine.

• All callback arguments in this package are deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. Use the coroutine interfaces instead.

• The `OAuthMixin._oauth_get_user` method is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. Override `_oauth_get_user_future` instead.

`tornado.autoreload`

• The command-line autoreload wrapper is now preserved if an internal autoreload fires.

• The command-line wrapper no longer starts duplicated processes on windows when combined with internal autoreload.
tornado.concurrent

- `run_on_executor` now returns `Future` objects that are compatible with `await`.
- The `callback` argument to `run_on_executor` is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.
- `return_future` is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.

tornado.gen

- Some older portions of this module are deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. This includes `engine`, `YieldPoint`, `Callback`, `Wait`, `WaitAll`, `MultiYieldPoint`, and `Task`.
- Functions decorated with `@gen.coroutine` will no longer accept `callback` arguments in 6.0.

tornado.httpclient

- The behavior of `raise_error=False` is changing in 6.0. Currently it suppresses all errors; in 6.0 it will only suppress the errors raised due to completed responses with non-200 status codes.
- The `callback` argument to `AsyncHTTPClient.fetch` is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.
- `tornado.httpclient.HTTPError` has been renamed to `HTTPClientError` to avoid ambiguity in code that also has to deal with `tornado.web.HTTPError`. The old name remains as an alias.
- `tornado.curl_httpclient` now supports non-ASCII characters in username and password arguments.
- `HTTPResponse.request_time` now behaves consistently across `simple_httpclient` and `curl_httpclient`, excluding time spent in the `max_clients` queue in both cases (previously this time was included in `simple_httpclient` but excluded in `curl_httpclient`). In both cases the time is now computed using a monotonic clock where available.
- `HTTPResponse` now has a `start_time` attribute recording a wall-clock (`time.time`) timestamp at which the request started (after leaving the `max_clients` queue if applicable).

tornado.httputil

- `parse_multipart_form_data` now recognizes non-ASCII filenames in RFC 2231/5987 (`filename*=~`) format.
- `HTTPServerRequest.write` is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. Use the methods of `request.connection` instead.
- Malformed HTTP headers are now logged less noisily.

tornado.ioloop

- `PeriodicCallback` now supports a `jitter` argument to randomly vary the timeout.
- `IOLoop.set_blocking_signal_threshold`, `IOLoop.set_blocking_log_threshold`, `IOLoop.log_stack`, and `IOLoop.handle_callback_exception` are deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.
- Fixed a `KeyError` in `IOLoop.close` when `IOLoop` objects are being opened and closed in multiple threads.
**tornado.iostream**

- All callback arguments in this module are deprecated except for `BaseIOStream.set_close_callback`. They will be removed in 6.0.
- `streaming_callback` arguments to `BaseIOStream.read_bytes` and `BaseIOStream.read_until_close` are deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.

**tornado.netutil**

- Improved compatibility with GNU Hurd.

**tornado.options**

- `tornado.options.parse_config_file` now allows setting options to strings (which will be parsed the same way as `tornado.options.parse_command_line`) in addition to the specified type for the option.

**tornado.platform.twisted**

- `TornadoReactor` and `TwistedIOLoop` are deprecated and will be removed in 6.0. Instead, Tornado will always use the asyncio event loop and twisted can be configured to do so as well.

**tornado.stack_context**

- The `tornado.stack_context` module is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.

**tornado.testing**

- `AsyncHTTPTestCase.fetch` now takes a `raise_error` argument. This argument has the same semantics as `AsyncHTTPClient.fetch`, but defaults to false because tests often need to deal with non-200 responses (and for backwards-compatibility).
- The `AsyncTestCase.stop` and `AsyncTestCase.wait` methods are deprecated.

**tornado.web**

- New method `RequestHandler.detach` can be used from methods that are not decorated with `@asynchronous` (the decorator was required to use `self.request.connection.detach()`).
- `RequestHandler.finish` and `RequestHandler.render` now return Futures that can be used to wait for the last part of the response to be sent to the client.
- `FallbackHandler` now calls `on_finish` for the benefit of subclasses that may have overridden it.
- The `asynchronous` decorator is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.
- The callback argument to `RequestHandler.flush` is deprecated and will be removed in 6.0.
tornado.websocket

- When compression is enabled, memory limits now apply to the post-decompression size of the data, protecting against DoS attacks.
- `websocket_connect` now supports subprotocols.
- `WebSocketHandler` and `WebSocketClientConnection` now have `selected_subprotocol` attributes to see the subprotocol in use.
- The `WebSocketHandler.select_subprotocol` method is now called with an empty list instead of a list containing an empty string if no subprotocols were requested by the client.
- `WebSocketHandler.open` may now be a coroutine.
- The `data` argument to `WebSocketHandler.ping` is now optional.
- Client-side websocket connections no longer buffer more than one message in memory at a time.
- Exception logging now uses `RequestHandler.log_exception`.

tornado.wsgi

- `WSGIApplication` and `WSGIAdapter` are deprecated and will be removed in Tornado 6.0.

6.9.9 What’s new in Tornado 5.0.2

Apr 7, 2018

Bug fixes

- Fixed a memory leak when `IOLoop` objects are created and destroyed.
- If `AsyncTestCase.get_new_ioloop` returns a reference to a preexisting event loop (typically when it has been overridden to return `IOLoop.current()`), the test’s `tearDown` method will not close this loop.
- Fixed a confusing error message when the synchronous `HTTPClient` fails to initialize because an event loop is already running.
- `PeriodicCallback` no longer executes twice in a row due to backwards clock adjustments.

6.9.10 What’s new in Tornado 5.0.1

Mar 18, 2018

Bug fix

- This release restores support for versions of Python 3.4 prior to 3.4.4. This is important for compatibility with Debian Jessie which has 3.4.2 as its version of Python 3.
6.9.11 What’s new in Tornado 5.0

Mar 5, 2018

Highlights

• The focus of this release is improving integration with asyncio. On Python 3, the IOLoop is always a wrapper around the asyncio event loop, and asyncio.Future and asyncio.Task are used instead of their Tornado counterparts. This means that libraries based on asyncio can be mixed relatively seamlessly with those using Tornado. While care has been taken to minimize the disruption from this change, code changes may be required for compatibility with Tornado 5.0, as detailed in the following section.

• Tornado 5.0 supports Python 2.7.9+ and 3.4+. Python 2.7 and 3.4 are deprecated and support for them will be removed in Tornado 6.0, which will require Python 3.5+.

Backwards-compatibility notes

• Python 3.3 is no longer supported.

• Versions of Python 2.7 that predate the ssl module update are no longer supported. (The ssl module was updated in version 2.7.9, although in some distributions the updates are present in builds with a lower version number. Tornado requires ssl.SSLContext, ssl.create_default_context, and ssl.match_hostname)

• Versions of Python 3.5 prior to 3.5.2 are no longer supported due to a change in the async iterator protocol in that version.

• The trollius project (asyncio backported to Python 2) is no longer supported.

• tornado.concurrent.Future is now an alias for asyncio.Future when running on Python 3. This results in a number of minor behavioral changes:
  
  – Future objects can only be created while there is a current IOLoop
  
  – The timing of callbacks scheduled with Future.add_done_callback has changed. tornado.concurrent.future_add_done_callback can be used to make the behavior more like older versions of Tornado (but not identical). Some of these changes are also present in the Python 2 version of tornado.concurrent.Future to minimize the difference between Python 2 and 3.
  
  – Cancellation is now partially supported, via asyncio.Future.cancel. A canceled Future can no longer have its result set. Applications that handle Future objects directly may want to use tornado.concurrent.future_set_result_unless_cancelled. In native coroutines, cancellation will cause an exception to be raised in the coroutine.
  
  – The exc_info and set_exc_info methods are no longer present. Use tornado.concurrent.future_set_exc_info to replace the latter, and raise the exception with result to replace the former.

• io_loop arguments to many Tornado functions have been removed. Use IOLoop.current() instead of passing IOLoop objects explicitly.

• On Python 3, IOLoop is always a wrapper around the asyncio event loop. IOLoop.configure is effectively removed on Python 3 (for compatibility, it may be called to redundantly specify the asyncio-backed IOLoop)

• IOLoop.instance is now a deprecated alias for IOLoop.current. Applications that need the cross-thread communication behavior facilitated by IOLoop.instance should use their own global variable instead.
Other notes

- The `futures` (`concurrent.futures` backport) package is now required on Python 2.7.
- The `certifi` and `backports.ssl-match-hostname` packages are no longer required on Python 2.7.
- Python 3.6 or higher is recommended, because it features more efficient garbage collection of `asyncio.Future` objects.

`tornado.auth`

- `GoogleOAuth2Mixin` now uses a newer set of URLs.

`tornado.autoreload`

- On Python 3, uses `__main__.__spec` to more reliably reconstruct the original command line and avoid modifying `PYTHONPATH`.
- The `io_loop` argument to `tornado.autoreload.start` has been removed.

`tornado.concurrent`

- Setting the result of a `Future` no longer blocks while callbacks are being run. Instead, the callbacks are scheduled on the next `IOLoop` iteration.
- The deprecated alias `tornado.concurrent.TracebackFuture` has been removed.
- `tornado.concurrent.chain_future` now works with all three kinds of Futures (Tornado, asyncio, and `concurrent.futures`)
- The `io_loop` argument to `tornado.concurrent.run_on_executor` has been removed.
- New functions `future_set_result_unless_cancelled`, `future_set_exc_info`, and `future_add_done_callback` help mask the difference between `asyncio.Future` and Tornado’s previous `Future` implementation.

`tornado.curl_httpclient`

- Improved debug logging on Python 3.
- The `time_info` response attribute now includes `appconnect` in addition to other measurements.
- Closing a `CurlAsyncHTTPClient` now breaks circular references that could delay garbage collection.
- The `io_loop` argument to the `CurlAsyncHTTPClient` constructor has been removed.
tornado.gen

- `tornado.gen.TimeoutError` is now an alias for `tornado.util.TimeoutError`.
- Leak detection for Futures created by this module now attributes them to their proper caller instead of the coroutine machinery.
- Several circular references that could delay garbage collection have been broken up.
- On Python 3, `asyncio.Task` is used instead of the Tornado coroutine runner. This improves compatibility with some `asyncio` libraries and adds support for cancellation.
- The `io_loop` arguments to `YieldFuture` and `with_timeout` have been removed.

tornado.httpclient

- The `io_loop` argument to all `AsyncHTTPClient` constructors has been removed.

tornado.httpserver

- It is now possible for a client to reuse a connection after sending a chunked request.
- If a client sends a malformed request, the server now responds with a 400 error instead of simply closing the connection.
- `Content-Length` and `Transfer-Encoding` headers are no longer sent with 1xx or 204 responses (this was already true of 304 responses).
- When closing a connection to a HTTP/1.1 client, the `Connection: close` header is sent with the response.
- The `io_loop` argument to the `HTTPServer` constructor has been removed.
- If more than one `X-Scheme` or `X-Forwarded-Proto` header is present, only the last is used.

tornado.httputil

- The string representation of `HTTPServerRequest` objects (which are sometimes used in log messages) no longer includes the request headers.
- New function `qs_to_qsl` converts the result of `urllib.parse.parse_qs` to name-value pairs.

tornado.ioloop

- `tornado.ioloop.TimeoutError` is now an alias for `tornado.util.TimeoutError`.
- `IOLoop.instance` is now a deprecated alias for `IOLoop.current`.
- `IOLoop.install` and `IOLoop.clear_instance` are deprecated.
- The `IOLoop.initialized` method has been removed.
- On Python 3, the `asyncio`-backed `IOLoop` is always used and alternative `IOLoop` implementations cannot be configured. `IOLoop.current` and related methods pass through to `asyncio.get_event_loop`.
- `run_sync` cancels its argument on a timeout. This results in better stack traces (and avoids log messages about leaks) in native coroutines.
• New methods `IOLoop.run_in_executor` and `IOLoop.set_default_executor` make it easier to run functions in other threads from native coroutines (since `concurrent.futures.Future` does not support `await`).

• `PollIOLoop` (the default on Python 2) attempts to detect misuse of `IOLoop` instances across `os.fork`.

• The `io_loop` argument to `PeriodicCallback` has been removed.

• It is now possible to create a `PeriodicCallback` in one thread and start it in another without passing an explicit event loop.

• The `IOLoop.set_blocking_signal_threshold` and `IOLoop.set_blocking_log_threshold` methods are deprecated because they are not implemented for the asyncio event loop. Use the `PYTHONASYNCIODEBUG=1` environment variable instead.

• `IOLoop.clear_current` now works if it is called before any current loop is established.

**tornado.iostream**

• The `io_loop` argument to the `IOStream` constructor has been removed.

• New method `BaseIOStream.read_into` provides a minimal-copy alternative to `BaseIOStream.read_bytes`.

• `BaseIOStream.write` is now much more efficient for very large amounts of data.

• Fixed some cases in which `IOStream.error` could be inaccurate.

• Writing a `memoryview` can no longer result in “BufferError: Existing exports of data: object cannot be resized”.

**tornado.locks**

• As a side effect of the `Future` changes, waiters are always notified asynchronously with respect to `Condition.notify`.

**tornado.netutil**

• The default `Resolver` now uses `IOLoop.run_in_executor`. `ExecutorResolver`, `BlockingResolver`, and `ThreadedResolver` are deprecated.

• The `io_loop` arguments to `add_accept_handler`, `ExecutorResolver`, and `ThreadedResolver` have been removed.

• `add_accept_handler` returns a callable which can be used to remove all handlers that were added.

• `OverrideResolver` now accepts per-family overrides.
**tornado.options**

- Duplicate option names are now detected properly whether they use hyphens or underscores.

**tornado.platform.asyncio**

- `AsyncIOLoop` and `AsyncIOMainLoop` are now used automatically when appropriate; referencing them explicitly is no longer recommended.
- Starting an `IOLoop` or making it current now also sets the `asyncio` event loop for the current thread. Closing an `IOLoop` closes the corresponding `asyncio` event loop.
- `to_tornado_future` and `to_asyncio_future` are deprecated since they are now no-ops.
- `AnyThreadEventLoopPolicy` can now be used to easily allow the creation of event loops on any thread (similar to Tornado’s prior policy).

**tornado.platform.caresresolver**

- The `io_loop` argument to `CaresResolver` has been removed.

**tornado.platform.twisted**

- The `io_loop` arguments to `TornadoReactor`, `TwistedResolver`, and `tornado.platform.twisted.install` have been removed.

**tornado.process**

- The `io_loop` argument to the `Subprocess` constructor and `Subprocess.initialize` has been removed.

**tornado.routing**

- A default 404 response is now generated if no delegate is found for a request.

**tornado.simple_httpclient**

- The `io_loop` argument to `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient` has been removed.
- TLS is now configured according to `ssl.create_default_context` by default.
tornado.tcpclient

- The io_loop argument to the TCPClient constructor has been removed.
- TCPClient.connect has a new timeout argument.

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- The io_loop argument to the TCPServer constructor has been removed.
- TCPServer no longer logs EBADF errors during shutdown.

Tornado Testing

- The deprecated tornado.testing.get_unused_port and tornado.testing.LogTrapTestCase have been removed.
- AsyncHTTPTestCaste.fetch now supports absolute URLs.
- AsyncHTTPTestCaste.fetch now connects to 127.0.0.1 instead of localhost to be more robust against faulty ipv6 configurations.

Tornado Util

- Configurable now supports configuration at multiple levels of an inheritance hierarchy.

Tornado Web

- RequestHandler.set_status no longer requires that the given status code appear in http.client.responses.
- It is no longer allowed to send a body with 1xx or 204 responses.
- Exception handling now breaks up reference cycles that could delay garbage collection.
- RedirectHandler now copies any query arguments from the request to the redirect location.
- If both If-None-Match and If-Modified-Since headers are present in a request to StaticFileHandler, the latter is now ignored.

Tornado Websocket

- The C accelerator now operates on multiple bytes at a time to improve performance.
- Requests with invalid websocket headers now get a response with status code 400 instead of a closed connection.
- WebSocketHandler.write_message now raises WebSocketClosedError if the connection closes while the write is in progress.
- The io_loop argument to websocket_connect has been removed.
6.9.12 What’s new in Tornado 4.5.3

Jan 6, 2018

tornado.curl HttpClient

- Improved debug logging on Python 3.

tornado.httpserver

- Content-Length and Transfer-Encoding headers are no longer sent with 1xx or 204 responses (this was already true of 304 responses).
- Reading chunked requests no longer leaves the connection in a broken state.

tornado.iostream

- Writing a memoryview can no longer result in “BufferError: Existing exports of data: object cannot be resized”.

tornado.options

- Duplicate option names are now detected properly whether they use hyphens or underscores.

tornado.testing

- AsyncHTTPTestCase.fetch now uses 127.0.0.1 instead of localhost, improving compatibility with systems that have partially-working ipv6 stacks.

tornado.web

- It is no longer allowed to send a body with 1xx or 204 responses.

tornado.websocket

- Requests with invalid websocket headers now get a response with status code 400 instead of a closed connection.

6.9.13 What’s new in Tornado 4.5.2

Aug 27, 2017

Bug Fixes

- Tornado now sets the FD_CLOEXEC flag on all file descriptors it creates. This prevents hanging client connections and resource leaks when the tornado.autoreload module (or Application(debug=True)) is used.
6.9.14 What’s new in Tornado 4.5.1

Apr 20, 2017

tornado.log

• Improved detection of libraries for colorized logging.

tornado.httputil

• `url_concat` once again treats None as equivalent to an empty sequence.

6.9.15 What’s new in Tornado 4.5

Apr 16, 2017

Backwards-compatibility warning

• The `tornado.websocket` module now imposes a limit on the size of incoming messages, which defaults to 10MiB.

New module

• `tornado.routing` provides a more flexible routing system than the one built in to `Application`.

General changes

• Reduced the number of circular references, reducing memory usage and improving performance.

tornado.auth

• The `tornado.auth` module has been updated for compatibility with a change to Facebook’s access_token endpoint. This includes both the changes initially released in Tornado 4.4.3 and an additional change to support the `session_expires` field in the new format. The `session_expires` field is currently a string; it should be accessed as `int(user['session_expires'])` because it will change from a string to an int in Tornado 5.0.

tornado.autoreload

• Autoreload is now compatible with the `asyncio` event loop.

• Autoreload no longer attempts to close the `IOLoop` and all registered file descriptors before restarting; it relies on the `CLOEXEC` flag being set instead.
tornado.concurrent

- Suppressed some "'NoneType' object not callback" messages that could be logged at shutdown.

__tornado.gen__

- `yield None` is now equivalent to `yield gen.moment`. `moment` is deprecated. This improves compatibility with asyncio.
- Fixed an issue in which a generator object could be garbage collected prematurely (most often when weak references are used.
- New function `is_coroutine_function` identifies functions wrapped by `coroutine` or `engine`.

__tornado.http1connection__

- The Transfer-Encoding header is now parsed case-insensitively.

__tornado.httpclient__

- `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient` now follows 308 redirects.
- `CurlAsyncHTTPClient` will no longer accept protocols other than http and https. To override this, set `pycurl.PROTOCOLS` and `pycurl.REDIR_PROTOCOLS` in a `prepare_curl_callback`.
- `CurlAsyncHTTPClient` now supports digest authentication for proxies (in addition to basic auth) via the new `proxy_auth_mode` argument.
- The minimum supported version of libcurl is now 7.22.0.

__tornado.httpserver__

- `HTTPServer` now accepts the keyword argument `trusted_downstream` which controls the parsing of X-Forwarded-For headers. This header may be a list or set of IP addresses of trusted proxies which will be skipped in the X-Forwarded-For list.
- The `no_keep_alive` argument works again.

__tornado.httputil__

- `url_concat` correctly handles fragments and existing query arguments.
**tornado.ioloop**

- Fixed 100% CPU usage after a callback returns an empty list or dict.
- `IOLoop.add_callback` now uses a lockless implementation which makes it safe for use from `__del__` methods. This improves performance of calls to `add_callback` from the `IOLoop` thread, and slightly decreases it for calls from other threads.

**tornado.iostream**

- `memoryview` objects are now permitted as arguments to `write`.
- The internal memory buffers used by `IOStream` now use `bytearray` instead of a list of `bytes`, improving performance.
- Futures returned by `write` are no longer orphaned if a second call to `write` occurs before the previous one is finished.

**tornado.log**

- Colored log output is now supported on Windows if the `colorama` library is installed and the application calls `colorama.init()` at startup.
- The signature of the `LogFormatter` constructor has been changed to make it compatible with `logging.config.dictConfig`.

**tornado.netutil**

- Worked around an issue that caused “LookupError: unknown encoding: latin1” errors on Solaris.

**tornado.process**

- `Subprocess` no longer causes “subprocess still running” warnings on Python 3.6.
- Improved error handling in `cpu_count`.

**tornado.tcpclient**

- `TCPClient` now supports a `source_ip` and `source_port` argument.
- Improved error handling for environments where IPv6 support is incomplete.
tornado.tcpserver

- `TCPServer.handle_stream` implementations may now be native coroutines.
- Stopping a `TCPServer` twice no longer raises an exception.

### tornado.web

- `RedirectHandler` now supports substituting parts of the matched URL into the redirect location using `str.format` syntax.
- New methods `RequestHandler.render_linked_js`, `RequestHandler.render_embed_js`, `RequestHandler.render_linked_css`, and `RequestHandler.render_embed_css` can be overridden to customize the output of `UIModule`.

### tornado.websocket

- `WebSocketHandler.on_message` implementations may now be coroutines. New messages will not be processed until the previous `on_message` coroutine has finished.
- The `websocket_ping_interval` and `websocket_ping_timeout` application settings can now be used to enable a periodic ping of the websocket connection, allowing dropped connections to be detected and closed.
- The new `websocket_max_message_size` setting defaults to 10MiB. The connection will be closed if messages larger than this are received.
- Headers set by `RequestHandler.prepare` or `RequestHandler.set_default_headers` are now sent as a part of the websocket handshake.
- Return values from `WebSocketHandler.get_compression_options` may now include the keys `compression_level` and `mem_level` to set gzip parameters. The default compression level is now 6 instead of 9.

### Demos

- A new file upload demo is available in the file_upload directory.
- A new `TCPClient` and `TCPServer` demo is available in the tcpecho directory.
- Minor updates have been made to several existing demos, including updates to more recent versions of jQuery.

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6.9.16 What’s new in Tornado 4.4.3

Mar 30, 2017

Bug fixes

• The `tornado.auth` module has been updated for compatibility with a change to Facebook’s `access_token` endpoint.

6.9.17 What’s new in Tornado 4.4.2

Oct 1, 2016

Security fixes

• A difference in cookie parsing between Tornado and web browsers (especially when combined with Google Analytics) could allow an attacker to set arbitrary cookies and bypass XSRF protection. The cookie parser has been rewritten to fix this attack.

Backwards-compatibility notes

• Cookies containing certain special characters (in particular semicolon and square brackets) are now parsed differently.
• If the cookie header contains a combination of valid and invalid cookies, the valid ones will be returned (older versions of Tornado would reject the entire header for a single invalid cookie).

6.9.18 What’s new in Tornado 4.4.1

Jul 23, 2016

`tornado.web`

• Fixed a regression in Tornado 4.4 which caused URL regexes containing backslash escapes outside capturing groups to be rejected.

6.9.19 What’s new in Tornado 4.4

Jul 15, 2016

General

• Tornado now requires Python 2.7 or 3.3+; versions 2.6 and 3.2 are no longer supported. Pypy3 is still supported even though its latest release is mainly based on Python 3.2.
• The `monotonic` package is now supported as an alternative to `Monotime` for monotonic clock support on Python 2.
tornado.curl_httpclient

- Failures in _curl_setup_request no longer cause the max_clients pool to be exhausted.
- Non-ascii header values are now handled correctly.

tornado.gen

- `with_timeout` now accepts any yieldable object (except YieldPoint), not just tornado.concurrent.Future.

tornado.httpclient

- The errors raised by timeouts now indicate what state the request was in; the error message is no longer simply “599 Timeout”.
- Calling `repr` on a tornado.httpclient.HTTPError no longer raises an error.

tornado.httpserver

- Int-like enums (including http.HTTPStatus) can now be used as status codes.
- Responses with status code 204 No Content no longer emit a Content-Length: 0 header.

tornado.ioloop

- Improved performance when there are large numbers of active timeouts.

tornado.netutil

- All included Resolver implementations raise IOError (or a subclass) for any resolution failure.

tornado.options

- Options can now be modified with subscript syntax in addition to attribute syntax.
- The special variable `__file__` is now available inside config files.

tornado.simple_httpclient

- HTTP/1.0 (not 1.1) responses without a Content-Length header now work correctly.
**tornado.tcpserver**

- `TCPServer.bind` now accepts a `reuse_port` argument.

**tornado.testing**

- Test sockets now always use `127.0.0.1` instead of `localhost`. This avoids conflicts when the automatically-assigned port is available on IPv4 but not IPv6, or in unusual network configurations when `localhost` has multiple IP addresses.

**tornado.web**

- `image/svg+xml` is now on the list of compressible mime types.
- Fixed an error on Python 3 when compression is used with multiple `Vary` headers.

**tornado.websocket**

- `WebSocketHandler.__init__` now uses `super`, which improves support for multiple inheritance.

### 6.9.20 What’s new in Tornado 4.3

**Nov 6, 2015**

**Highlights**

- The new async/await keywords in Python 3.5 are supported. In most cases, `async def` can be used in place of the `@gen.coroutine` decorator. Inside a function defined with `async def`, use `await` instead of `yield` to wait on an asynchronous operation. Coroutines defined with `async/await` will be faster than those defined with `@gen.coroutine` and `yield`, but do not support some features including `Callback/Wait` or the ability to yield a Twisted `Deferred`. See the users’ guide for more.

- The `async/await` keywords are also available when compiling with Cython in older versions of Python.

**Deprecation notice**

- This will be the last release of Tornado to support Python 2.6 or 3.2. Note that PyPy3 will continue to be supported even though it implements a mix of Python 3.2 and 3.3 features.
Installation

- Tornado has several new dependencies: `ordereddict` on Python 2.6, `singledispatch` on all Python versions prior to 3.4 (This was an optional dependency in prior versions of Tornado, and is now mandatory), and `backports_abct>=0.4` on all versions prior to 3.5. These dependencies will be installed automatically when installing with `pip` or `setup.py install`. These dependencies will not be required when running on Google App Engine.
- Binary wheels are provided for Python 3.5 on Windows (32 and 64 bit).

`tornado.auth`

- New method `OAuth2Mixin.oauth2_request` can be used to make authenticated requests with an access token.
- Now compatible with callbacks that have been compiled with Cython.

`tornado.autoreload`

- Fixed an issue with the autoreload command-line wrapper in which imports would be incorrectly interpreted as relative.

`tornado.curl_httpclient`

- Fixed parsing of multi-line headers.
- `allow_nonstandard_methods=True` now bypasses body sanity checks, in the same way as in `simple_httpclient`.
- The `PATCH` method now allows a body without `allow_nonstandard_methods=True`.

`tornado.gen`

- `WaitIterator` now supports the `async for` statement on Python 3.5.
- `@gen.coroutine` can be applied to functions compiled with Cython. On python versions prior to 3.5, the `backports_abct` package must be installed for this functionality.
- `Multi` and `multi_future` are deprecated and replaced by a unified function `multi`.

`tornado.httpclient`

- `tornado.httpclient.HTTPError` is now copyable with the `copy` module.
tornado.httpserver

- Requests containing both `Content-Length` and `Transfer-Encoding` will be treated as an error.

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**tornado.httputil**

- `HTTPHeaders` can now be pickled and unpickled.

**tornado.ioloop**

- `IOLoop(make_current=True)` now works as intended instead of raising an exception.
- The Twisted and asyncio IOLoop implementations now clear `current()` when they exit, like the standard IOLoops.
- `IOLoop.add_callback` is faster in the single-threaded case.
- `IOLoop.add_callback` no longer raises an error when called on a closed IOLoop, but the callback will not be invoked.

**tornado.iostream**

- Coroutine-style usage of `IOStream` now converts most errors into `StreamClosedError`, which has the effect of reducing log noise from exceptions that are outside the application’s control (especially SSL errors).
- `StreamClosedError` now has a `real_error` attribute which indicates why the stream was closed. It is the same as the `error` attribute of `IOStream` but may be more easily accessible than the `IOStream` itself.
- Improved error handling in `read_until_close`.
- Logging is less noisy when an SSL server is port scanned.
- EINTR is now handled on all reads.

**tornado.locale**

- `tornado.locale.load_translations` now accepts encodings other than UTF-8. UTF-16 and UTF-8 will be detected automatically if a BOM is present; for other encodings `load_translations` has an `encoding` parameter.

**tornado.locks**

- `Lock` and `Semaphore` now support the `async with` statement on Python 3.5.
tornado.log

- A new time-based log rotation mode is available with `--log_rotate_mode=time`, `--log-rotate-when`, and `log-rotate-interval`.

tornado.netutil

- `bind_sockets` now supports `SO_REUSEPORT` with the `reuse_port=True` argument.

tornado.options

- Dashes and underscores are now fully interchangeable in option names.

tornado.queues

- `Queue` now supports the `async for` statement on Python 3.5.

tornado.simple_httpclient

- When following redirects, `streaming_callback` and `header_callback` will no longer be run on the redirect responses (only the final non-redirect).
- Responses containing both `Content-Length` and `Transfer-Encoding` will be treated as an error.

tornado.template

- `tornado.template.ParseError` now includes the filename in addition to line number.
- Whitespace handling has become more configurable. The `Loader` constructor now has a `whitespace` argument, there is a new `template_whitespace Application setting`, and there is a new `{% whitespace %} template directive. All of these options take a mode name defined in the `tornado.template. filter_whitespace` function. The default mode is `single`, which is the same behavior as prior versions of Tornado.
- Non-ASCII filenames are now supported.

tornado.testing

- `ExpectLog` objects now have a boolean `logged_stack` attribute to make it easier to test whether an exception stack trace was logged.
tornado.web

- The hard limit of 4000 bytes per outgoing header has been removed.
- staticfile Handler returns the correct Content-Type for files with .gz, .bz2, and .xz extensions.
- Responses smaller than 1000 bytes will no longer be compressed.
- The default gzip compression level is now 6 (was 9).
- Fixed a regression in Tornado 4.2.1 that broke staticfile Handler with a path of /.
- tornado.web.HTTPError is now copyable with the copy module.
- The exception Finish now accepts an argument which will be passed to the method RequestHandler.finish.
- New Application setting xsrf_cookie_kwargs can be used to set additional attributes such as secure or httponly on the XSRF cookie.
- Application.listen now returns the HTTPServer it created.

tornado.websocket

- Fixed handling of continuation frames when compression is enabled.

6.9.21 What’s new in Tornado 4.2.1

Jul 17, 2015

Security fix

- This release fixes a path traversal vulnerability in staticfile Handler, in which files whose names started with the static_path directory but were not actually in that directory could be accessed.

6.9.22 What’s new in Tornado 4.2

May 26, 2015

Backwards-compatibility notes

- SSLIOStream.connect and IOStream.start_tls now validate certificates by default.
- Certificate validation will now use the system CA root certificates instead of certifi when possible (i.e. Python 2.7.9+ or 3.4+). This includes IOStream and simple_httpclient, but not curl_httpclient.
- The default SSL configuration has become stricter, using ssl.create_default_context where available on the client side. (On the server side, applications are encouraged to migrate from the ssl_options dict-based API to pass an ssl.SSLContext instead).
- The deprecated classes in the tornado.auth module, GoogleMixin, FacebookMixin, and FriendFeedMixin have been removed.
New modules: `tornado.locks` and `tornado.queues`  

These modules provide classes for coordinating coroutines, merged from Toro.

To port your code from Toro’s queues to Tornado 4.2, import `Queue`, `PriorityQueue`, or `LifoQueue` from `tornado.queues` instead of from `toro`.

Use `Queue` instead of Toro’s `JoinableQueue`. In Tornado the methods `join` and `task_done` are available on all queues, not on a special `JoinableQueue`.

Tornado queues raise exceptions specific to Tornado instead of reusing exceptions from the Python standard library. Therefore instead of catching the standard `queue.Empty` exception from `Queue.get_nowait`, catch the special `tornado.queues.QueueEmpty` exception, and instead of catching the standard `queue.Full` from `Queue.get_nowait`, catch `tornado.queues.QueueFull`.

To port from Toro’s locks to Tornado 4.2, import `Condition`, `Event`, `Semaphore`, `BoundedSemaphore`, or `Lock` from `tornado.locks` instead of from `toro`.

Toro’s `Semaphore.wait` allowed a coroutine to wait for the semaphore to be unlocked *without* acquiring it. This encouraged unorthodox patterns; in Tornado, just use `acquire`.

Toro’s `Event.wait` raised a `Timeout` exception after a timeout. In Tornado, `Event.wait` raises `tornado.gen.TimeoutError`.

Toro’s `Condition.wait` also raised `Timeout`, but in Tornado, the `Future` returned by `Condition.wait` resolves to `False` after a timeout:

```python
@gen.coroutine
def await_notification():
    if not (yield condition.wait(timeout=timedelta(seconds=1))):
        print('timed out')
    else:
        print('condition is true')
```

In lock and queue methods, wherever Toro accepted `deadline` as a keyword argument, Tornado names the argument `timeout` instead.

Toro’s `AsyncResult` is not merged into Tornado, nor its exceptions `NotReady` and `AlreadySet`. Use a `Future` instead. If you wrote code like this:

```python
from tornado import gen
import toro

result = toro.AsyncResult()

@gen.coroutine
def setter():
    result.set(1)

@gen.coroutine
def getter():
    value = yield result.get()
    print(value)  # Prints "1".
```

Then the Tornado equivalent is:

```python
from tornado import gen
from tornado.concurrent import Future
```

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result = Future()

@gen.coroutine
def setter():
    result.set_result(1)

@gen.coroutine
def getter():
    value = yield result
    print(value)  # Prints "1".

tornado.autoreload

• Improved compatibility with Windows.
• Fixed a bug in Python 3 if a module was imported during a reload check.

tornado.concurrent

• run_on_executor now accepts arguments to control which attributes it uses to find the IOLoop and executor.

tornado.curl_httpclient

• Fixed a bug that would cause the client to stop processing requests if an exception occurred in certain places while there is a queue.

tornado.escape

• xhtml_escape now supports numeric character references in hex format (\#x20;)

tornado.gen

• WaitIterator no longer uses weak references, which fixes several garbage-collection-related bugs.
• tornado.gen.Multi and tornado.gen.multi_future (which are used when yielding a list or dict in a coroutine) now log any exceptions after the first if more than one Future fails (previously they would be logged when the Future was garbage-collected, but this is more reliable). Both have a new keyword argument quiet_exceptions to suppress logging of certain exception types; to use this argument you must call Multi or multi_future directly instead of simply yielding a list.
• multi_future now works when given multiple copies of the same Future.
• On Python 3, catching an exception in a coroutine no longer leads to leaks via Exception.__context__.
tornado.httpclient

- The `raise_error` argument now works correctly with the synchronous `HTTPClient`.
- The synchronous `HTTPClient` no longer interferes with `IOLoop.current()`.

tornado.httpserver

- `HTTPServer` is now a subclass of `tornado.util.Configurable`.

tornado.httputil

- `HTTPHeaders` can now be copied with `copy.copy` and `copy.deepcopy`.

tornado.ioloop

- The `IOLoop` constructor now has a `make_current` keyword argument to control whether the new `IOLoop` becomes `IOLoop.current()`.
- Third-party implementations of `IOLoop` should accept `**kwargs` in their `IOLoop.initialize` methods and pass them to the superclass implementation.
- `PeriodicCallback` is now more efficient when the clock jumps forward by a large amount.

tornado.iostream

- `SSLIOStream.connect` and `IOStream.start_tls` now validate certificates by default.
- New method `SSLIOStream.wait_for_handshake` allows server-side applications to wait for the handshake to complete in order to verify client certificates or use NPN/ALPN.
- The `Future` returned by `SSLIOStream.connect` now resolves after the handshake is complete instead of as soon as the TCP connection is established.
- Reduced logging of SSL errors.
- `BaseIOStream.read_until_close` now works correctly when a `streaming_callback` is given but `callback` is None (i.e. when it returns a `Future`)

tornado.locale

- New method `GettextLocale.pgettext` allows additional context to be supplied for gettext translations.
tornado.log

- `define_logging_options` now works correctly when given a non-default options object.

tornado.process

- New method `Subprocess.wait_for_exit` is a coroutine-friendly version of `Subprocess.set_exit_callback`.

tornado.simple_httpclient

- Improved performance on Python 3 by reusing a single `ssl.SSLContext`.
- New constructor argument `max_body_size` controls the maximum response size the client is willing to accept. It may be bigger than `max_buffer_size` if `streaming_callback` is used.

tornado.tcpserver

- `TCPServer.handle_stream` may be a coroutine (so that any exceptions it raises will be logged).

tornado.util

- `import_object` now supports unicode strings on Python 2.
- `Configurable.initialize` now supports positional arguments.

tornado.web

- Key versioning support for cookie signing. `cookie_secret` application setting can now contain a dict of valid keys with version as key. The current signing key then must be specified via `key_version` setting.
- Parsing of the `If-None-Match` header now follows the RFC and supports weak validators.
- Passing `secure=False` or `httponly=False` to `RequestHandler.set_cookie` now works as expected (previously only the presence of the argument was considered and its value was ignored).
- `RequestHandler.get_arguments` now requires that its `strip` argument be of type bool. This helps prevent errors caused by the slightly dissimilar interfaces between the singular and plural methods.
- Errors raised in `_handle_request_exception` are now logged more reliably.
- `RequestHandler.redirect` now works correctly when called from a handler whose path begins with two slashes.
- Passing messages containing `%` characters to `tornado.web.HTTPError` no longer causes broken error messages.
tornado.websocket

- The on_close method will no longer be called more than once.
- When the other side closes a connection, we now echo the received close code back instead of sending an empty close frame.

6.9.23 What’s new in Tornado 4.1

Feb 7, 2015

Highlights

- If a Future contains an exception but that exception is never examined or re-raised (e.g. by yielding the Future), a stack trace will be logged when the Future is garbage-collected.
- New class tornado.gen.WaitIterator provides a way to iterate over Futures in the order they resolve.
- The tornado.websocket module now supports compression via the “permessage-deflate” extension. Override WebSocketHandler.get_compression_options to enable on the server side, and use the compression_options keyword argument to websocket_connect on the client side.
- When the appropriate packages are installed, it is possible to yield asyncio.Future or Twisted Deferred objects in Tornado coroutines.

Backwards-compatibility notes

- HTTPServer now calls start_request with the correct arguments. This change is backwards-incompatible, affecting any application which implemented HTTPServerConnectionDelegate by following the example of Application instead of the documented method signatures.

tornado.concurrent

- If a Future contains an exception but that exception is never examined or re-raised (e.g. by yielding the Future), a stack trace will be logged when the Future is garbage-collected.
- Future now catches and logs exceptions in its callbacks.

tornado.curl_httpclient

- tornado.curl_httpclient now supports request bodies for PATCH and custom methods.
- tornado.curl_httpclient now supports resubmitting bodies after following redirects for methods other than POST.
- curl_httpclient now runs the streaming and header callbacks on the IOLoop.
- tornado.curl_httpclient now uses its own logger for debug output so it can be filtered more easily.
tornado.gen

- New class `tornado.gen.WaitIterator` provides a way to iterate over Futures in the order they resolve.
- When the `singledispatch` library is available (standard on Python 3.4, available via `pip install singledispatch` on older versions), the `convert_yielded` function can be used to make other kinds of objects yieldable in coroutines.
- New function `tornado.gen.sleep` is a coroutine-friendly analogue to `time.sleep`.
- `gen.engine` now correctly captures the stack context for its callbacks.

tornado.httpclient

- `tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest` accepts a new argument `raise_error=False` to suppress the default behavior of raising an error for non-200 response codes.

tornado.httpserver

- `HTTPServer` now calls `start_request` with the correct arguments. This change is backwards-incompatible, affecting any application which implemented `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate` by following the example of `Application` instead of the documented method signatures.
- `HTTPServer` now tolerates extra newlines which are sometimes inserted between requests on keep-alive connections.
- `HTTPServer` can now use keep-alive connections after a request with a chunked body.
- `HTTPServer` now always reports HTTP/1.1 instead of echoing the request version.

tornado.httputil

- New function `tornado.httputil.split_host_and_port` for parsing the netloc portion of URLs.
- The `context` argument to `HTTPServerRequest` is now optional, and if a context is supplied the `remote_ip` attribute is also optional.
- `HTTPServerRequest.body` is now always a byte string (previously the default empty body would be a unicode string on python 3).
- Header parsing now works correctly when newline-like unicode characters are present.
- Header parsing again supports both CRLF and bare LF line separators.
- Malformed `multipart/form-data` bodies will always be logged quietly instead of raising an unhandled exception; previously the behavior was inconsistent depending on the exact error.
tornado.ioloop

- The `kqueue` and `select` IOLoop implementations now report writeability correctly, fixing flow control in `IOStream`.
- When a new `IOLoop` is created, it automatically becomes “current” for the thread if there is not already a current instance.
- New method `PeriodicCallback.is_running` can be used to see whether the `PeriodicCallback` has been started.

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tornado.iostream

- `IOStream.start_tls` now uses the `server_hostname` parameter for certificate validation.
- `SSLIOStream` will no longer consume 100% CPU after certain error conditions.
- `SSLIOStream` no longer logs `EBADF` errors during the handshake as they can result from nmap scans in certain modes.
```

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```
tornado.options

- `parse_config_file` now always decodes the config file as utf8 on Python 3.
- `tornado.options.define` more accurately finds the module defining the option.
```

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tornado.platform.asyncio

- It is now possible to yield `asyncio.Future` objects in coroutines when the `singledispatch` library is available and `tornado.platform.asyncio` has been imported.
- New methods `tornado.platform.asyncio.to_tornado_future` and `to_asyncio_future` convert between the two libraries’ `Future` classes.
```

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```
tornado.platform.twisted

- It is now possible to yield `Deferred` objects in coroutines when the `singledispatch` library is available and `tornado.platform.twisted` has been imported.
```

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```
tornado.tcpclient

- `TCPClient` will no longer raise an exception due to an ill-timed timeout.
```

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tornado.tcpserver

- TCPServer no longer ignores its read_chunk_size argument.

tornado.testing

- AsyncTestCase has better support for multiple exceptions. Previously it would silently swallow all but the last; now it raises the first and logs all the rest.
- AsyncTestCase now cleans up Subprocess state on tearDown when necessary.

tornado.web

- The asynchronous decorator now understands concurrent.futures.Future in addition to tornado.concurrent.Future.
- StaticFileHandler no longer logs a stack trace if the connection is closed while sending the file.
- RequestHandler.send_error now supports a reason keyword argument, similar to tornado.web.HTTPError.
- RequestHandler.locale now has a property setter.
- Application.add_handlers hostname matching now works correctly with IPv6 literals.
- Redirects for the Application default_host setting now match the request protocol instead of redirecting HTTPS to HTTP.
- Malformed _xsrf cookies are now ignored instead of causing uncaught exceptions.
- Application.start_request now has the same signature as HTTPServerConnectionDelegate.start_request.

tornado.websocket

- The tornado.websocket module now supports compression via the “permessage-deflate” extension. Override WebSocketHandler.get_compression_options to enable on the server side, and use the compression_options keyword argument to websocket_connect on the client side.
- WebSocketHandler no longer logs stack traces when the connection is closed.
- WebSocketHandler.open now accepts *args, **kw for consistency with RequestHandler.get and related methods.
- The Sec-WebSocket-Version header now includes all supported versions.
- websocket_connect now has a on_message_callback keyword argument for callback-style use without read_message().
6.9.24 What’s new in Tornado 4.0.2

Sept 10, 2014

Bug fixes

- Fixed a bug that could sometimes cause a timeout to fire after being cancelled.
- `AsyncTestCase` once again passes along arguments to test methods, making it compatible with extensions such as Nose’s test generators.
- `StaticFileHandler` can again compress its responses when gzip is enabled.
- `simple_httpclient` passes its `max_buffer_size` argument to the underlying stream.
- Fixed a reference cycle that can lead to increased memory consumption.
- `add_accept_handler` will now limit the number of times it will call `accept` per `IOLoop` iteration, addressing a potential starvation issue.
- Improved error handling in `IOStream.connect` (primarily for FreeBSD systems)

6.9.25 What’s new in Tornado 4.0.1

Aug 12, 2014

- The build will now fall back to pure-python mode if the C extension fails to build for any reason (previously it would fall back for some errors but not others).
- `IOLoop.call_at` and `IOLoop.call_later` now always return a timeout handle for use with `IOLoop.remove_timeout`.
- If any callback of a `PeriodicCallback` or `IOStream` returns a `Future`, any error raised in that future will now be logged (similar to the behavior of `IOLoop.add_callback`).
- Fixed an exception in client-side websocket connections when the connection is closed.
- `simple_httpclient` once again correctly handles 204 status codes with no content-length header.
- Fixed a regression in `simple_httpclient` that would result in timeouts for certain kinds of errors.

6.9.26 What’s new in Tornado 4.0

July 15, 2014

Highlights

- The `tornado.web.stream_request_body` decorator allows large files to be uploaded with limited memory usage.
- Coroutines are now faster and are used extensively throughout Tornado itself. More methods now return `Futures`, including most `IOStream` methods and `RequestHandler.flush`.
- Many user-overridden methods are now allowed to return a `Future` for flow control.
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- HTTP-related code is now shared between the `tornado.httpserver`, `tornado.simple_httpclient` and `tornado.wsgi` modules, making support for features such as chunked and gzip encoding more consistent. `HTTPServer` now uses new delegate interfaces defined in `tornado.httputil` in addition to its old single-callback interface.

- New module `tornado.tcpclient` creates TCP connections with non-blocking DNS, SSL handshaking, and support for IPv6.

**Backwards-compatibility notes**

- `tornado.concurrent.Future` is no longer thread-safe; use `concurrent.futures.Future` when thread-safety is needed.

- Tornado now depends on the `certifi` package instead of bundling its own copy of the Mozilla CA list. This will be installed automatically when using `pip` or `easy_install`.

- This version includes the changes to the secure cookie format first introduced in version 3.2.1, and the xsrf token change in version 3.2.2. If you are upgrading from an earlier version, see those versions’ release notes.

- WebSocket connections from other origin sites are now rejected by default. To accept cross-origin websocket connections, override the new method `WebSocketHandler.check_origin`.

- `WebSocketHandler` no longer supports the old draft 76 protocol (this mainly affects Safari 5.x browsers). Applications should use non-websocket workarounds for these browsers.

- Authors of alternative `IOLoop` implementations should see the changes to `IOLoop.add_handler` in this release.

- The `RequestHandler.async_callback` and `WebSocketHandler.async_callback` wrapper functions have been removed; they have been obsolete for a long time due to stack contexts (and more recently coroutines).

- `curl_httpclient` now requires a minimum of libcurl version 7.21.1 and pycurl 7.18.2.

- Support for `RequestHandler.get_error_html` has been removed; override `RequestHandler.write_error` instead.

**Other notes**

- The git repository has moved to https://github.com/tornadoweb/tornado. All old links should be redirected to the new location.

- An announcement mailing list is now available.

- All Tornado modules are now importable on Google App Engine (although the App Engine environment does not allow the system calls used by `IOLoop` so many modules are still unusable).
tornado.auth

- Fixed a bug in .FacebookMixin on Python 3.
- When using the Future interface, exceptions are more reliably delivered to the caller.

tornado.concurrent

- tornado.concurrent.Future is now always thread-unsafe (previously it would be thread-safe if the concurrent.futures package was available). This improves performance and provides more consistent semantics. The parts of Tornado that accept Futures will accept both Tornado’s thread-unsafe Futures and the thread-safe concurrent.futures.Future.
- tornado.concurrent.Future now includes all the functionality of the old TracebackFuture class. TracebackFuture is now simply an alias for Future.

tornado.curl_httpclient

- curl_httpclient now passes along the HTTP “reason” string in response.reason.

tornado.gen

- Performance of coroutines has been improved.
- Coroutines no longer generate StackContexts by default, but they will be created on demand when needed.
- The internals of the tornado.gen module have been rewritten to improve performance when using Futures, at the expense of some performance degradation for the older YieldPoint interfaces.
- New function with_timeout wraps a Future and raises an exception if it doesn’t complete in a given amount of time.
- New object moment can be yielded to allow the IOLoop to run for one iteration before resuming.
- Task is now a function returning a Future instead of a YieldPoint subclass. This change should be transparent to application code, but allows Task to take advantage of the newly-optimized Future handling.

tornado.http1connection

- New module contains the HTTP implementation shared by tornado.httpserver and tornado.simple_httpclient.

tornado.httpclient

- The command-line HTTP client (python -m tornado.httpclient $URL) now works on Python 3.
- Fixed a memory leak in AsyncHTTPClient shutdown that affected applications that created many HTTP clients and IOLoops.
- New client request parameter decompress_response replaces the existing use_gzip parameter; both names are accepted.
**tornado.httpserver**

- `tornado.httpserver.HTTPRequest` has moved to `tornado.httputil.HTTPServerRequest`.
- HTTP implementation has been unified with `tornado.simple_httpclient` in `tornado.httpleaf`.
- Now supports `Transfer-Encoding: chunked` for request bodies.
- Now supports `Content-Encoding: gzip` for request bodies if `decompress_request=True` is passed to the `HTTPServer` constructor.
- The `connection` attribute of `HTTPServerRequest` is now documented for public use; applications are expected to write their responses via the `HTTPConnection` interface.
- The `HTTPServerRequest.write` and `HTTPServerRequest.finish` methods are now deprecated. (`RequestHandler.write` and `RequestHandler.finish` are not deprecated; this only applies to the methods on `HTTPServerRequest`)
- `HTTPServer` now supports `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate` in addition to the old `request_callback` interface. The delegate interface supports streaming of request bodies.
- `HTTPServer` now detects the error of an application sending a `Content-Length` error that is inconsistent with the actual content.
- New constructor arguments `max_header_size` and `max_body_size` allow separate limits to be set for different parts of the request. `max_body_size` is applied even in streaming mode.
- New constructor argument `chunk_size` can be used to limit the amount of data read into memory at one time per request.
- New constructor arguments `idle_connection_timeout` and `body_timeout` allow time limits to be placed on the reading of requests.
- Form-encoded message bodies are now parsed for all HTTP methods, not just `POST`, `PUT`, and `PATCH`.

**tornado.httputil**

- `HTTPServerRequest` was moved to this module from `tornado.httpserver`.
- New base classes `HTTPConnection`, `HTTPServerConnectionDelegate`, and `HTTPMessageDelegate` define the interaction between applications and the HTTP implementation.

**tornado.ioloop**

- `IOLoop.add_handler` and related methods now accept file-like objects in addition to raw file descriptors. Passing the objects is recommended (when possible) to avoid a garbage-collection-related problem in unit tests.
- New method `IOLoop.clear_instance` makes it possible to uninstall the singleton instance.
- Timeout scheduling is now more robust against slow callbacks.
- `IOLoop.add_timeout` is now a bit more efficient.
- When a function run by the `IOLoop` returns a `Future` and that `Future` has an exception, the `IOLoop` will log the exception.
- New method `IOLoop.spawn_callback` simplifies the process of launching a fire-and-forget callback that is separated from the caller’s stack context.
• New methods `IOLoop.call_later` and `IOLoop.call_at` simplify the specification of relative or absolute timeouts (as opposed to `add_timeout`, which used the type of its argument).

tornado.iostream

• The `callback` argument to most `IOStream` methods is now optional. When called without a callback the method will return a `Future` for use with coroutines.
• New method `IOStream.start_tls` converts an `IOStream` to an `SSLIOStream`.
• No longer gets confused when an `IOError` or `OSError` without an `errno` attribute is raised.
• `BaseIOStream.read_bytes` now accepts a partial keyword argument, which can be used to return before the full amount has been read. This is a more coroutine-friendly alternative to `streaming_callback`.
• `BaseIOStream.read_until` and `read_until_regex` now accept a `max_bytes` keyword argument which will cause the request to fail if it cannot be satisfied from the given number of bytes.
• `IOStream` no longer reads from the socket into memory if it does not need data to satisfy a pending read. As a side effect, the close callback will not be run immediately if the other side closes the connection while there is unconsumed data in the buffer.
• The default `chunk_size` has been increased to 64KB (from 4KB)
• The `IOStream` constructor takes a new keyword argument `max_write_buffer_size` (defaults to unlimited). Calls to `BaseIOStream.write` will raise `StreamBufferFullError` if the amount of unsent buffered data exceeds this limit.
• `ETIMEDOUT` errors are no longer logged. If you need to distinguish timeouts from other forms of closed connections, examine `stream.error` from a close callback.

tornado.netutil

• When `bind_sockets` chooses a port automatically, it will now use the same port for IPv4 and IPv6.
• TLS compression is now disabled by default on Python 3.3 and higher (it is not possible to change this option in older versions).

tornado.options

• It is now possible to disable the default logging configuration by setting `options.logging` to `None` instead of the string "none".

tornado.platform.asyncio

• Now works on Python 2.6.
• Now works with Trollius version 0.3.
**tornado.platform.twisted**

- TwistedIOLoop now works on Python 3.3+ (with Twisted 14.0.0+).

**tornado.simple_httpclient**

- `simple_httpclient` has better support for IPv6, which is now enabled by default.
- Improved default cipher suite selection (Python 2.7+).
- HTTP implementation has been unified with `tornado.httpserver` in `tornado.httpclient`.HTTPRequest.
- Streaming request bodies are now supported via the `body_producer` keyword argument to `tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest`.
- The `expect_100_continue` keyword argument to `tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest` allows the use of the HTTP Expect: 100-continue feature.
- `simple_httpclient` now raises the original exception (e.g. an IOError) in more cases, instead of converting everything to HTTPError.

**tornado.stack_context**

- The stack context system now has less performance overhead when no stack contexts are active.

**tornado.tcpclient**

- New module which creates TCP connections and IOStreams, including name resolution, connecting, and SSL handshakes.

**tornado.testing**

- `AsyncTestCase` now attempts to detect test methods that are generators but were not run with `@gen_test` or any similar decorator (this would previously result in the test silently being skipped).
- Better stack traces are now displayed when a test times out.
- The `@gen_test` decorator now passes along `*args, **kwargs` so it can be used on functions with arguments.
- Fixed the test suite when `unittest2` is installed on Python 3.

**tornado.web**

- It is now possible to support streaming request bodies with the `stream_request_body` decorator and the new `RequestHandler.data_received` method.
- `RequestHandler.flush` now returns a `Future` if no callback is given.
- New exception `Finish` may be raised to finish a request without triggering error handling.
- When gzip support is enabled, all `text/*` mime types will be compressed, not just those on a whitelist.
- `Application` now implements the `HTTPMessageDelegate` interface.
• **HEAD** requests in *StaticFileHandler* no longer read the entire file.

• *StaticFileHandler* now streams response bodies to the client.

• New setting `compress_response` replaces the existing `gzip` setting; both names are accepted.

• XSRF cookies that were not generated by this module (i.e. strings without any particular formatting) are once again accepted (as long as the cookie and body/header match). This pattern was common for testing and non-browser clients but was broken by the changes in Tornado 3.2.2.

**tornado.websocket**

• WebSocket connections from other origin sites are now rejected by default. Browsers do not use the same-origin policy for WebSocket connections as they do for most other browser-initiated communications. This can be surprising and a security risk, so we disallow these connections on the server side by default. To accept cross-origin websocket connections, override the new method `WebSocketHandler.check_origin`.

• `WebSocketHandler.close` and `WebSocketClientConnection.close` now support `code` and `reason` arguments to send a status code and message to the other side of the connection when closing. Both classes also have `close_code` and `close_reason` attributes to receive these values when the other side closes.

• The C speedup module now builds correctly with MSVC, and can support messages larger than 2GB on 64-bit systems.

• The fallback mechanism for detecting a missing C compiler now works correctly on Mac OS X.

• Arguments to `WebSocketHandler.open` are now decoded in the same way as arguments to `RequestHandler.get` and similar methods.

• It is now allowed to override `prepare` in a `WebSocketHandler`, and this method may generate HTTP responses (error pages) in the usual way. The HTTP response methods are still not allowed once the WebSocket handshake has completed.

**tornado.wsgi**

• New class `WSGIAdapter` supports running a Tornado `Application` on a WSGI server in a way that is more compatible with Tornado’s non-WSGI `HTTPServer`. `WSGIApplication` is deprecated in favor of using `WSGIAdapter` with a regular `Application`.

• `WSGIAdapter` now supports gzipped output.

### 6.9.27 What’s new in Tornado 3.2.2

**June 3, 2014**

**Security fixes**

• The XSRF token is now encoded with a random mask on each request. This makes it safe to include in compressed pages without being vulnerable to the BREACH attack. This applies to most applications that use both the `xsrf_cookies` and `gzip` options (or have `gzip` applied by a proxy).
Backwards-compatibility notes

- If Tornado 3.2.2 is run at the same time as older versions on the same domain, there is some potential for issues with the differing cookie versions. The `Application` setting `xsrf_cookie_version=1` can be used for a transitional period to generate the older cookie format on newer servers.

Other changes

- `tornado.platform.asyncio` is now compatible with `trollius` version 0.3.

6.9.28 What’s new in Tornado 3.2.1

May 5, 2014

Security fixes

- The signed-value format used by `RequestHandler.set_secure_cookie` and `RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie` has changed to be more secure. This is a disruptive change. The `secure_cookie` functions take new `version` parameters to support transitions between cookie formats.

- The new cookie format fixes a vulnerability that may be present in applications that use multiple cookies where the name of one cookie is a prefix of the name of another.

- To minimize disruption, cookies in the older format will be accepted by default until they expire. Applications that may be vulnerable can reject all cookies in the older format by passing `min_version=2` to `RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie`.

- Thanks to Joost Pol of Certified Secure for reporting this issue.

Backwards-compatibility notes

- Signed cookies issued by `RequestHandler.set_secure_cookie` in Tornado 3.2.1 cannot be read by older releases. If you need to run 3.2.1 in parallel with older releases, you can pass `version=1` to `RequestHandler.set_secure_cookie` to issue cookies that are backwards-compatible (but have a known weakness, so this option should only be used for a transitional period).

Other changes

- The C extension used to speed up the websocket module now compiles correctly on Windows with MSVC and 64-bit mode. The fallback to the pure-Python alternative now works correctly on Mac OS X machines with no C compiler installed.
6.9.29 What’s new in Tornado 3.2

Jan 14, 2014

Installation

- Tornado now depends on the backports.ssl_match_hostname when running on Python 2. This will be installed automatically when using pip or easy_install
- Tornado now includes an optional C extension module, which greatly improves performance of websockets. This extension will be built automatically if a C compiler is found at install time.

New modules

- The tornado.platform.asyncio module provides integration with the asyncio module introduced in Python 3.4 (also available for Python 3.3 with pip install asyncio).

    tornado.auth

- Added GoogleOAuth2Mixin support authentication to Google services with OAuth 2 instead of OpenID and OAuth 1.
- FacebookGraphMixin has been updated to use the current Facebook login URL, which saves a redirect.

    tornado.concurrent

- TracebackFuture now accepts a timeout keyword argument (although it is still incorrect to use a non-zero timeout in non-blocking code).

    tornado.curl_httpclient

- tornado.curl_httpclient now works on Python 3 with the soon-to-be-released pycurl 7.19.3, which will officially support Python 3 for the first time. Note that there are some unofficial Python 3 ports of pycurl (Ubuntu has included one for its past several releases); these are not supported for use with Tornado.

    tornado.escape

- xhtml_escape now escapes apostrophes as well.
- tornado.escape.utf8, to_unicode, and native_str now raise TypeError instead of AssertionError when given an invalid value.
tornado.gen

- Coroutines may now yield dicts in addition to lists to wait for multiple tasks in parallel.
- Improved performance of `tornado.gen` when yielding a `Future` that is already done.

**tornado.httpclient**

- `tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest` now uses property setters so that setting attributes after construction applies the same conversions as `__init__` (e.g. converting the body attribute to bytes).

**tornado.httpserver**

- Malformed `x-www-form-urlencoded` request bodies will now log a warning and continue instead of causing the request to fail (similar to the existing handling of malformed `multipart/form-data` bodies. This is done mainly because some libraries send this content type by default even when the data is not form-encoded.
- Fix some error messages for unix sockets (and other non-IP sockets)

**tornado.ioloop**

- `IOLoop` now uses `IOLoop.handle_callback_exception` consistently for error logging.
- `IOLoop` now frees callback objects earlier, reducing memory usage while idle.
- `IOLoop` will no longer call `logging.basicConfig` if there is a handler defined for the root logger or for the `tornado` or `tornado.application` loggers (previously it only looked at the root logger).

**tornado.iostream**

- `Iostream` now recognizes `ECONNABORTED` error codes in more places (which was mainly an issue on Windows).
- `Iostream` now frees memory earlier if a connection is closed while there is data in the write buffer.
- `PipeIostream` now handles `EAGAIN` error codes correctly.
- `SSLIostream` now initiates the SSL handshake automatically without waiting for the application to try and read or write to the connection.
- Swallow a spurious exception from `set_nodelay` when a connection has been reset.

**tornado.locale**

- `Locale.format_date` no longer forces the use of absolute dates in Russian.
tornado.log

- Fix an error from `tornado.log.enable_pretty_logging` when `sys.stderr` does not have an `isatty` method.
- `tornado.log.LogFormatter` now accepts keyword arguments `fmt` and `datefmt`.

tornado.netutil

- `is_valid_ip` (and therefore `HTTPRequest.remote_ip`) now rejects empty strings.
- Synchronously using `ThreadedResolver` at import time to resolve a unicode hostname no longer deadlocks.

tornado.platform.twisted

- `TwistedResolver` now has better error handling.

tornado.process

- `Subprocess` no longer leaks file descriptors if `subprocess.Popen` fails.

tornado.simple_httpclient

- `simple_httpclient` now applies the `connect_timeout` to requests that are queued and have not yet started.
- On Python 2.6, `simple_httpclient` now uses TLSv1 instead of SSLv3.
- `simple_httpclient` now enforces the `connect_timeout` during DNS resolution.
- The embedded `ca-certificates.crt` file has been updated with the current Mozilla CA list.

tornado.web

- `StaticFileHandler` no longer fails if the client requests a `Range` that is larger than the entire file (Facebook has a crawler that does this).
- `RequestHandler.on_connection_close` now works correctly on subsequent requests of a keep-alive connection.
- New application setting `default_handler_class` can be used to easily set up custom 404 pages.
- New application settings `autoreload`, `compiled_template_cache`, `static_hash_cache`, and `serve_traceback` can be used to control individual aspects of debug mode.
- New methods `RequestHandler.get_query_argument` and `RequestHandler.get_body_argument` and new attributes `HTTPRequest.query_arguments` and `HTTPRequest.body_arguments` allow access to arguments without intermingling those from the query string with those from the request body.
- `RequestHandler.decode_argument` and related methods now raise an `HTTPError(400)` instead of `UnicodeDecodeError` when the argument could not be decoded.
• `RequestHandler.clear_all_cookies` now accepts domain and path arguments, just like `clear_cookie`.
• It is now possible to specify handlers by name when using the `tornado.web.URLSpec` class.
• `Application` now accepts 4-tuples to specify the name parameter (which previously required constructing a `tornado.web.URLSpec` object instead of a tuple).
• Fixed an incorrect error message when handler methods return a value other than None or a Future.
• Exceptions will no longer be logged twice when using both `@asynchronous` and `@gen.coroutine`.

`tornado.websocket`

• `WebSocketHandler.write_message` now raises `WebSocketClosedError` instead of `AttributeError` when the connection has been closed.
• `websocket_connect` now accepts preconstructed `HTTPRequest` objects.
• Fix a bug with `WebSocketHandler` when used with some proxies that unconditionally modify the `Connection` header.
• `websocket_connect` now returns an error immediately for refused connections instead of waiting for the timeout.
• `WebSocketClientConnection` now has a `close` method.

`tornado.wsgi`

• `WSGIContainer` now calls the iterable’s `close()` method even if an error is raised, in compliance with the spec.

6.9.30 What's new in Tornado 3.1.1

Sep 1, 2013

• `StaticFileHandler` no longer fails if the client requests a `Range` that is larger than the entire file (Facebook has a crawler that does this).
• `RequestHandler.on_connection_close` now works correctly on subsequent requests of a keep-alive connection.

6.9.31 What's new in Tornado 3.1

Jun 15, 2013

Multiple modules

• Many reference cycles have been broken up throughout the package, allowing for more efficient garbage collection on CPython.
• Silenced some log messages when connections are opened and immediately closed (i.e. port scans), or other situations related to closed connections.
• Various small speedups: HttpHeaders case normalization, UIModule proxy objects, precompile some regexes.

tornado.auth

• OAuthMixin always sends oauth_version=1.0 in its request as required by the spec.
• FacebookGraphMixin now uses self._FACEBOOK_BASE_URL in facebook_request to allow the base url to be overridden.
• The authenticate_redirect and authorize_redirect methods in the tornado.auth mixin classes all now return Futures. These methods are asynchronous in OAuthMixin and derived classes, although they do not take a callback. The Future these methods return must be yielded if they are called from a function decorated with gen.coroutine (but not gen.engine).
• TwitterMixin now uses /account/verify_credentials to get information about the logged-in user, which is more robust against changing screen names.
• The demos directory (in the source distribution) has a new twitter demo using TwitterMixin.

tornado.escape

• url_escape and url_unescape have a new plus argument (defaulting to True for consistency with the previous behavior) which specifies whether they work like urllib.parse.unquote or urllib.parse.unquote_plus.

tornado.gen

• Fixed a potential memory leak with long chains of tornado.gen coroutines.

tornado.httpclient

• tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest takes a new argument auth_mode, which can be either basic or digest. Digest authentication is only supported with tornado.curl_httpclient.
• tornado.curl_httpclient no longer goes into an infinite loop when pycurl returns a negative timeout.
• curl_httpclient now supports the PATCH and OPTIONS methods without the use of allow_nonstandard_methods=True.
• Worked around a class of bugs in libcurl that would result in errors from IOLoop.update_handler in various scenarios including digest authentication and socks proxies.
• The TCP_NODELAY flag is now set when appropriate in simple_httpclient.
• simple_httpclient no longer logs exceptions, since those exceptions are made available to the caller as HTTPResponse.error.
tornado.httpserver

- `tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer` handles malformed HTTP headers more gracefully.
- `HTTPServer` now supports lists of IPs in `X-Forwarded-For` (it chooses the last, i.e. nearest one).
- Memory is now reclaimed promptly on CPython when an HTTP request fails because it exceeded the maximum upload size.
- The `TCP_NODELAY` flag is now set when appropriate in `HTTPServer`.
- The `HTTPServer` no_keep_alive option is now respected with HTTP 1.0 connections that explicitly pass `Connection: keep-alive`.
- The `Connection: keep-alive` check for HTTP 1.0 connections is now case-insensitive.
- The `str` and `repr` of `tornado.httpserver.HTTPRequest` no longer include the request body, reducing log spam on errors (and potential exposure/retention of private data).

tornado.httputil

- The cache used in `HTTPHeaders` will no longer grow without bound.

tornado.ioloop

- Some `IOLoop` implementations (such as `pyzmq`) accept objects other than integer file descriptors; these objects will now have their `.close()` method called when the `IOLoop` is closed with `all_fds=True`.
- The stub handles left behind by `IOLoop.remove_timeout` will now get cleaned up instead of waiting to expire.

tornado.iostream

- Fixed a bug in `BaseIOStream.read_until_close` that would sometimes cause data to be passed to the final callback instead of the streaming callback.
- The `Iostream` close callback is now run more reliably if there is an exception in `_try_inline_read`.
- New method `BaseIOStream.set_nodelay` can be used to set the `TCP_NODELAY` flag.
- Fixed a case where errors in `SSLIOStream.connect` (and `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient`) were not being reported correctly.

tornado.locale

- `Locale.format_date` now works on Python 3.
tornado.netutil

- The default Resolver implementation now works on Solaris.
- Resolver now has a close method.
- Fixed a potential CPU DoS when tornado.netutil.ssl_match_hostname is used on certificates with an abusive wildcard pattern.
- All instances of ThreadedResolver now share a single thread pool, whose size is set by the first one to be created (or the static Resolver.configure method).
- ExecutorResolver is now documented for public use.
- bind_sockets now works in configurations with incomplete IPv6 support.

tornado.options

- tornado.options.define with multiple=True now works on Python 3.
- tornado.options.options and other OptionParser instances support some new dict-like methods: items(), iteration over keys, and (read-only) access to options with square bracket syntax. OptionParser.group_dict returns all options with a given group name, and OptionParser.as_dict returns all options.

tornado.process

- tornado.process.Subprocess no longer leaks file descriptors into the child process, which fixes a problem in which the child could not detect that the parent process had closed its stdin pipe.
- Subprocess.set_exit_callback now works for subprocesses created without an explicit io_loop parameter.

tornado.stack_context

- tornado.stack_context has been rewritten and is now much faster.
- New function run_with_stack_context facilitates the use of stack contexts with coroutines.

tornado.tcpserver

- The constructors of TCPServer and HTTPServer now take a max_buffer_size keyword argument.

tornado.template

- Some internal names used by the template system have been changed; now all “reserved” names in templates start with _tt_.

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tornado.testing

- `tornado.testing.AsyncTestCase.wait` now raises the correct exception when it has been modified by `tornado.stack_context`.
- `tornado.testing.gen_test` can now be called as `@gen_test(timeout=60)` to give some tests a longer timeout than others.
- The environment variable `ASYNC_TEST_TIMEOUT` can now be set to override the default timeout for `AsyncTestCase.wait` and `gen_test`.
- `bind_unused_port` now passes `None` instead of `0` as the port to `getaddrinfo`, which works better with some unusual network configurations.

tornado.util

- `tornado.util.import_object` now works with top-level module names that do not contain a dot.
- `tornado.util.import_object` now consistently raises `ImportError` instead of `AttributeError` when it fails.

tornado.web

- The handlers list passed to the `tornado.web.Application` constructor and `add_handlers` methods can now contain lists in addition to tuples and `URLSpec` objects.
- `tornado.web.StaticFileHandler` now works on Windows when the client passes an `If-Modified-Since` timestamp before 1970.
- New method `RequestHandler.log_exception` can be overridden to customize the logging behavior when an exception is uncaught. Most apps that currently override `_handle_request_exception` can now use a combination of `RequestHandler.log_exception` and `write_error`.
- `RequestHandler.get_argument` now raises `MissingArgumentError` (a subclass of `tornado.web.HTTPError`, which is what it raised previously) if the argument cannot be found.
- `Application.reverse_url` now uses `url_escape` with `plus=False`, i.e. spaces are encoded as `%20` instead of `+`.
- Arguments extracted from the url path are now decoded with `url_unescape` with `plus=False`, so plus signs are left as-is instead of being turned into spaces.
- `RequestHandler.send_error` will now only be called once per request, even if multiple exceptions are caught by the stack context.
- The `tornado.web.asynchronous` decorator is no longer necessary for methods that return a `Future` (i.e. those that use the `gen.coroutine` or `return_future` decorators)
- `RequestHandler.prepare` may now be asynchronous if it returns a `Future`. The `tornado.web.asynchronous` decorator is not used with `prepare`; one of the `Future`-related decorators should be used instead.
- `RequestHandler.current_user` may now be assigned to normally.
- `RequestHandler.redirect` no longer silently strips control characters and whitespace. It is now an error to pass control characters, newlines or tabs.
- `StaticFileHandler` has been reorganized internally and now has additional extension points that can be overridden in subclasses.
• *StaticFileHandler* now supports HTTP Range requests. *StaticFileHandler* is still not suitable for files too large to comfortably fit in memory, but Range support is necessary in some browsers to enable seeking of HTML5 audio and video.

• *StaticFileHandler* now uses longer hashes by default, and uses the same hashes for *Etag* as it does for versioned urls.

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• *StaticFileHandler.make_static_url* and *RequestHandler.static_url* now have an additional keyword argument *include_version* to suppress the url versioning.

• *StaticFileHandler* now reads its file in chunks, which will reduce memory fragmentation.

• Fixed a problem with the *Date* header and cookie expiration dates when the system locale is set to a non-english configuration.

**tornado.websocket**

• *WebSocketHandler* now catches *StreamClosedError* and runs *on_close* immediately instead of logging a stack trace.

• New method *WebSocketHandler.set_nodelay* can be used to set the TCP_NODELAY flag.

**tornado.wsgi**

• Fixed an exception in *WSGIContainer* when the connection is closed while output is being written.

**6.9.32 What’s new in Tornado 3.0.2**

Jun 2, 2013

• *tornado.auth.TwitterMixin* now defaults to version 1.1 of the Twitter API, instead of version 1.0 which is being discontinued on June 11. It also now uses HTTPS when talking to Twitter.

• Fixed a potential memory leak with a long chain of *gen.coroutine* or *gen.engine* functions.

**6.9.33 What’s new in Tornado 3.0.1**

Apr 8, 2013

• The interface of *tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin* is now consistent with its documentation and the rest of the module. The *get_authenticated_user* and *facebook_request* methods return a Future and the callback argument is optional.

• The *tornado.testing.gen_test* decorator will no longer be recognized as a (broken) test by *nose*.

• Work around a bug in Ubuntu 13.04 betas involving an incomplete backport of the *ssl.match_hostname* function.

• *tornado.websocket.websocket_connect* now fails cleanly when it attempts to connect to a non-websocket url.

• *tornado.testing.LogTrapTestCase* once again works with byte strings on Python 2.

• The *request* attribute of *tornado.httpclient.HTTPResponse* is now always an *HTTPRequest*, never a _RequestProxy_.

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• Exceptions raised by the `tornado.gen` module now have better messages when tuples are used as callback keys.

6.9.34 What's new in Tornado 3.0

Mar 29, 2013

Highlights

• The `callback` argument to many asynchronous methods is now optional, and these methods return a `Future`. The `tornado.gen` module now understands Futures, and these methods can be used directly without a `gen.Task` wrapper.

• New function `IOLoop.current` returns the `IOLoop` that is running on the current thread (as opposed to `IOLoop.instance`, which returns a specific thread’s (usually the main thread’s) IOLoop.

• New class `tornado.netutil.Resolver` provides an asynchronous interface to DNS resolution. The default implementation is still blocking, but non-blocking implementations are available using one of three optional dependencies: `ThreadedResolver` using the `concurrent.futures` thread pool, `tornado.platform.caresresolver.CaresResolver` using the `pycares` library, or `tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedResolver` using `twisted`.

• Tornado’s logging is now less noisy, and it no longer goes directly to the root logger, allowing for finer-grained configuration.

• New class `tornado.process.Subprocess` wraps `subprocess.Popen` with `PipeIOStream` access to the child’s file descriptors.

• `IOLoop` now has a static `configure` method like the one on `AsyncHTTPClient`, which can be used to select an `IOLoop` implementation other than the default.

• `IOLoop` can now optionally use a monotonic clock if available (see below for more details).

Backwards-incompatible changes

• Python 2.5 is no longer supported. Python 3 is now supported in a single codebase instead of using `2to3`.

• The `tornado.database` module has been removed. It is now available as a separate package, `torndb`.

• Functions that take an `io_loop` parameter now default to `IOLoop.current()` instead of `IOLoop.instance()`.

• Empty HTTP request arguments are no longer ignored. This applies to `HTTPRequest.arguments` and `RequestHandler.get_argument[s]` in WSGI and non-WSGI modes.

• On Python 3, `tornado.escape.json_encode` no longer accepts byte strings.

• On Python 3, the `get_authenticated_user` methods in `tornado.auth` now return character strings instead of byte strings.

• `tornado.netutil.TCPServer` has moved to its own module, `tornado.tcpserver`.

• The Tornado test suite now requires `unittest2` when run on Python 2.6.

• `tornado.options.options` is no longer a subclass of `dict`; attribute-style access is now required.
Detailed changes by module

Multiple modules

- Tornado no longer logs to the root logger. Details on the new logging scheme can be found under the `tornado.log` module. Note that in some cases this will require that you add an explicit logging configuration in order to see any output (perhaps just calling `logging.basicConfig()`), although both `IOLoop.start()` and `tornado.options.parse_command_line` will do this for you.

- On python 3.2+, methods that take an `ssl_options` argument (on `SSLIOStream`, `TCPServer`, and `HTTPServer`) now accept either a dictionary of options or an `ssl.SSLContext` object.

- New optional dependency on `concurrent.futures` to provide better support for working with threads. `concurrent.futures` is in the standard library for Python 3.2+, and can be installed on older versions with `pip install futures`.

`tornado.autoreload`

- `tornado.autoreload` is now more reliable when there are errors at import time.

- Calling `tornado.autoreload.start` (or creating an `Application` with `debug=True`) twice on the same `IOLoop` now does nothing (instead of creating multiple periodic callbacks). Starting autoreload on more than one `IOLoop` in the same process now logs a warning.

- Scripts run by autoreload no longer inherit `__future__` imports used by Tornado.

`tornado.auth`

- On Python 3, the `get_authenticated_user` method family now returns character strings instead of byte strings.

- Asynchronous methods defined in `tornado.auth` now return a `Future`, and their `callback` argument is optional. The `Future` interface is preferred as it offers better error handling (the previous interface just logged a warning and returned None).

- The `tornado.auth` mixin classes now define a method `get_auth_http_client`, which can be overridden to use a non-default `AsyncHTTPClient` instance (e.g. to use a different `IOLoop`)

- Subclasses of `OAuthMixin` are encouraged to override `OAuthMixin._oauth_get_user_future` instead of `__oauth_get_user_future`, although both methods are still supported.

`tornado.concurrent`

- New module `tornado.concurrent` contains code to support working with `concurrent.futures`, or to emulate future-based interface when that module is not available.
tornado.curl_httpclient

- Preliminary support for tornado.curl_httpclient on Python 3. The latest official release of pycurl only supports Python 2, but Ubuntu has a port available in 12.10 (apt-get install python3-pycurl). This port currently has bugs that prevent it from handling arbitrary binary data but it should work for textual (utf8) resources.
- Fix a crash with libcurl 7.29.0 if a curl object is created and closed without being used.

tornado.escape

- On Python 3, json_encode no longer accepts byte strings. This mirrors the behavior of the underlying json module. Python 2 behavior is unchanged but should be faster.

tornado.gen

- New decorator @gen.coroutine is available as an alternative to @gen.engine. It automatically returns a Future, and within the function instead of calling a callback you return a value with raise gen. Return(value) (or simply return value in Python 3.3).
- Generators may now yield Future objects.
- Callbacks produced by gen.Callback and gen.Task are now automatically stack-context-wrapped, to minimize the risk of context leaks when used with asynchronous functions that don’t do their own wrapping.
- Fixed a memory leak involving generators, RequestHandler.flush, and clients closing connections while output is being written.
- Yielding a large list no longer has quadratic performance.

tornado.httpclient

- AsyncHTTPClient.fetch now returns a Future and its callback argument is optional. When the future interface is used, any error will be raised automatically, as if HTTPResponse.rethrow was called.
- AsyncHTTPClient.configure and all AsyncHTTPClient constructors now take a defaults keyword argument. This argument should be a dictionary, and its values will be used in place of corresponding attributes of HTTPRequest that are not set.
- All unset attributes of tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest are now None. The default values of some attributes (connect_timeout, request_timeout, follow_redirects, max_redirects, use_gzip, proxy_password, allow_nonstandard_methods, and validate_cert) have been moved from HTTPRequest to the client implementations.
- The max_clients argument to AsyncHTTPClient is now a keyword-only argument.
- Keyword arguments to AsyncHTTPClient.configure are no longer used when instantiating an implementation subclass directly.
- Secondary AsyncHTTPClient callbacks (streaming_callback, header_callback, and prepare_curl_callback) now respect StackContext.
**tornado.httpserver**

- **HTTPServer** no longer logs an error when it is unable to read a second request from an HTTP 1.1 keep-alive connection.
- **HTTPServer** now takes a `protocol` keyword argument which can be set to `https` if the server is behind an SSL-decoding proxy that does not set any supported X-headers.
- `tornado.httpserver.HTTPConnection` now has a `set_close_callback` method that should be used instead of reaching into its `stream` attribute.
- Empty HTTP request arguments are no longer ignored. This applies to `HTTPRequest.arguments` and `RequestHandler.get_argument[s]` in WSGI and non-WSGI modes.

**tornado.ioloop**

- New function `IOLoop.current` returns the IOLoop that is running on the current thread (as opposed to `IOLoop.instance`, which returns a specific thread’s (usually the main thread’s) IOLoop).
- New method `IOLoop.add_future` to run a callback on the IOLoop when an asynchronous `Future` finishes.
- `IOLoop` now has a static `configure` method like the one on `AsyncHTTPClient`, which can be used to select an `IOLoop` implementation other than the default.
- The `IOLoop` poller implementations (`select`, `epoll`, `kqueue`) are now available as distinct subclasses of `IOLoop`. Instantiating `IOLoop` will continue to automatically choose the best available implementation.
- The `IOLoop` constructor has a new keyword argument `time_func`, which can be used to set the time function used when scheduling callbacks. This is most useful with the `time.monotonic` function, introduced in Python 3.3 and backported to older versions via the `monotime` module. Using a monotonic clock here avoids problems when the system clock is changed.
- New function `IOLoop.time` returns the current time according to the IOLoop. To use the new monotonic clock functionality, all calls to `IOLoop.add_timeout` must be either pass a `datetime.timedelta` or a time relative to `IOLoop.time`, not `time.time`. (`time.time` will continue to work only as long as the IOLoop’s `time_func` argument is not used).
- New convenience method `IOLoop.run_sync` can be used to start an IOLoop just long enough to run a single coroutine.
- New method `IOLoop.add_callback_from_signal` is safe to use in a signal handler (the regular `add_callback` method may deadlock).
- `IOLoop` now uses `signal.set_wakeup_fd` where available (Python 2.6+ on Unix) to avoid a race condition that could result in Python signal handlers being delayed.
- Method `IOLoop.running()` has been removed.
- `IOLoop` has been refactored to better support subclassing.
- `IOLoop.add_callback` and `add_callback_from_signal` now take `*args, **kwargs` to pass along to the callback.
tornado.iostream

- **IOStream.connect** now has an optional `server_hostname` argument which will be used for SSL certificate validation when applicable. Additionally, when supported (on Python 3.2+), this hostname will be sent via SNI (and this is supported by `tornado.simple_httpclient`).

- Much of **IOStream** has been refactored into a separate class `BaseIOStream`.

- New class `tornado.iostream.PipeIOStream` provides the IOStream interface on pipe file descriptors.

- **IOStream** now raises a new exception `tornado.iostream.StreamClosedError` when you attempt to read or write after the stream has been closed (by either side).

- **IOStream** now simply closes the connection when it gets an `ECONNRESET` error, rather than logging it as an error.

- **IOStream.error** no longer picks up unrelated exceptions.

- `BaseIOStream.close` now has an `exc_info` argument (similar to the one used in the `logging` module) that can be used to set the stream's `error` attribute when closing it.

- `BaseIOStream.read_until_close` now works correctly when it is called while there is buffered data.

- Fixed a major performance regression when run on PyPy (introduced in Tornado 2.3).

**tornado.log**

- New module containing `enable_pretty_logging` and `LogFormatter`, moved from the options module.

- `LogFormatter` now handles non-ascii data in messages and tracebacks better.

**tornado.netutil**

- New class `tornado.netutil.Resolver` provides an asynchronous interface to DNS resolution. The default implementation is still blocking, but non-blocking implementations are available using one of three optional dependencies: `ThreadedResolver` using the `concurrent.futures` thread pool, `tornado.platform.caresresolver.CaresResolver` using the `pycares` library, or `tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedResolver` using `twisted`

- New function `tornado.netutil.is_valid_ip` returns true if a given string is a valid IP (v4 or v6) address.

- `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets` has a new `flags` argument that can be used to pass additional flags to `getaddrinfo`.

- `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets` no longer sets `AI_ADDRCONFIG`; this will cause it to bind to both ipv4 and ipv6 more often than before.

- `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets` now works when Python was compiled with `--disable-ipv6` but IPv6 DNS resolution is available on the system.

- `tornado.netutil.TCPServer` has moved to its own module, `tornado.tcpserver`.

6.9. Release notes
**tornado.options**

- The class underlying the functions in `tornado.options` is now public (`tornado.options.OptionParser`). This can be used to create multiple independent option sets, such as for subcommands.
- `tornado.options.parse_config_file` now configures logging automatically by default, in the same way that `parse_command_line` does.
- New function `tornado.options.add_parse_callback` schedules a callback to be run after the command line or config file has been parsed. The keyword argument `final=False` can be used on either parsing function to suppress these callbacks.
- `tornado.options.define` now takes a callback argument. This callback will be run with the new value whenever the option is changed. This is especially useful for options that set other options, such as by reading from a config file.
- `tornado.options.parse_command_line --help` output now goes to stderr rather than stdout.
- `tornado.options.options` is no longer a subclass of `dict`; attribute-style access is now required.
- `tornado.options.options` (and `OptionParser` instances generally) now have a `mockable()` method that returns a wrapper object compatible with `mock.patch`.
- Function `tornado.options.enable_pretty_logging` has been moved to the `tornado.log` module.

**tornado.platform.caresresolver**

- New module containing an asynchronous implementation of the `Resolver` interface, using the `pycares` library.

**tornado.platform.twisted**

- New class `tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedIOLoop` allows Tornado code to be run on the Twisted reactor (as opposed to the existing `TornadoReactor`, which bridges the gap in the other direction).
- New class `tornado.platform.twisted.TwistedResolver` is an asynchronous implementation of the `Resolver` interface.

**tornado.process**

- New class `tornado.process.Subprocess` wraps `subprocess.Popen` with `PipeIOStream` access to the child’s file descriptors.

**tornado.simple_httpclient**

- `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient` now takes a resolver keyword argument (which may be passed to either the constructor or `configure`), to allow it to use the new non-blocking `tornado.netutil.Resolver`.
- When following redirects, `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient` now treats a 302 response code the same as a 303. This is contrary to the HTTP spec but consistent with all browsers and other major HTTP clients (including `CurlAsyncHTTPClient`).
• The behavior of header_callback with SimpleAsyncHTTPClient has changed and is now the same as that of CurlAsyncHTTPClient. The header callback now receives the first line of the response (e.g. HTTP/1.0 200 OK) and the final empty line.

• tornado.simple_httpclient now accepts responses with a 304 status code that include a Content-Length header.

• Fixed a bug in which SimpleAsyncHTTPClient callbacks were being run in the client’s stack_context.

**tornado.stack_context**

• stack_context.wrap now runs the wrapped callback in a more consistent environment by recreating contexts even if they already exist on the stack.

• Fixed a bug in which stack contexts could leak from one callback chain to another.

• Yield statements inside a with statement can cause stack contexts to become inconsistent; an exception will now be raised when this case is detected.

**tornado.template**

• Errors while rendering templates no longer log the generated code, since the enhanced stack traces (from version 2.1) should make this unnecessary.

• The {% apply %} directive now works properly with functions that return both unicode strings and byte strings (previously only byte strings were supported).

• Code in templates is no longer affected by Tornado’s __future__ imports (which previously included absolute_import and division).

**tornado.testing**

• New function tornado.testing.bind_unused_port both chooses a port and binds a socket to it, so there is no risk of another process using the same port. get_unused_port is now deprecated.

• New decorator tornado.testing.gen_test can be used to allow for yielding tornado.gen objects in tests, as an alternative to the stop and wait methods of AsyncTestCase.

• tornado.testing.AsyncTestCase and friends now extend unittest2.TestCase when it is available (and continue to use the standard unittest module when unittest2 is not available)

• tornado.testing.ExpectLog can be used as a finer-grained alternative to tornado.testing.LogTrapTestCase

• The command-line interface to tornado.testing.main now supports additional arguments from the underlying unittest module: verbose, quiet, failfast, catch, buffer.

• The deprecated --autoreload option of tornado.testing.main has been removed. Use python -m tornado.autoreload as a prefix command instead.

• The --httpclient option of tornado.testing.main has been moved to tornado.test.runtests so as not to pollute the application option namespace. The tornado.options module’s new callback support now makes it easy to add options from a wrapper script instead of putting all possible options in tornado.testing.main.
• **AsyncHTTPTestCase** no longer calls `AsyncHTTPClient.close` for tests that use the singleton `IOLoop.instance`.

• **LogTrapTestCase** no longer fails when run in unknown logging configurations. This allows tests to be run under nose, which does its own log buffering (`LogTrapTestCase` doesn’t do anything useful in this case, but at least it doesn’t break things any more).

**tornado.util**

• `tornado.util.b` (which was only intended for internal use) is gone.

**tornado.web**

• **RequestHandler.set_header** now overwrites previous header values case-insensitively.

• **tornado.web.RequestHandler** has new attributes `path_args` and `path_kwargs`, which contain the positional and keyword arguments that are passed to the `get|post/etc` method. These attributes are set before those methods are called, so they are available during `prepare()`.

• **tornado.web.ErrorHandler** no longer requires XSRF tokens on POST requests, so posts to an unknown url will always return 404 instead of complaining about XSRF tokens.

• Several methods related to HTTP status codes now take a `reason` keyword argument to specify an alternate “reason” string (i.e. the “Not Found” in “HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found”). It is now possible to set status codes other than those defined in the spec, as long as a reason string is given.

• The `Date` HTTP header is now set by default on all responses.

• `If-None-Match` requests now work with `StaticFileHandler`.

• **StaticFileHandler** no longer sets `Cache-Control: public` unnecessarily.

• When gzip is enabled in a `tornado.web.Application`, appropriate Vary: Accept-Encoding headers are now sent.

• It is no longer necessary to pass all handlers for a host in a `Application.add_handlers` call. Now the request will be matched against the handlers for any `host_pattern` that includes the request’s `Host` header.

**tornado.websocket**

• Client-side WebSocket support is now available: `tornado.websocket.websocket_connect`

• **WebSocketHandler** has new methods `ping` and `on_pong` to send pings to the browser (not supported on the `draft76` protocol)
6.9.35 What's new in Tornado 2.4.1

Nov 24, 2012

Bug fixes

- Fixed a memory leak in `tornado.stack_context` that was especially likely with long-running `@gen` engine functions.
- `tornado.auth.TwitterMixin` now works on Python 3.
- Fixed a bug in which `IOStream.read_until_close` with a streaming callback would sometimes pass the last chunk of data to the final callback instead of the streaming callback.

6.9.36 What's new in Tornado 2.4

Sep 4, 2012

General

- Fixed Python 3 bugs in `tornado.auth`, `tornado.locale`, and `tornado.wsgi`.

HTTP clients

- Removed `max_simultaneous_connections` argument from `tornado.httpclient` (both implementations). This argument hasn’t been useful for some time (if you were using it you probably want `max_clients` instead)
- `tornado.simple_httpclient` now accepts and ignores HTTP 1xx status responses.

`tornado.ioloop` and `tornado.iostream`

- Fixed a bug introduced in 2.3 that would cause `IOStream` close callbacks to not run if there were pending reads.
- Improved error handling in `SSLIOStream` and SSL-enabled `TCPServer`.
- `SSLIOStream.get_ssl_certificate` now has a `binary_form` argument which is passed to `SSLSocket.getpeercert`.
- `SSLIOStream.write` can now be called while the connection is in progress, same as non-SSL `IOStream` (but be careful not to send sensitive data until the connection has completed and the certificate has been verified).
- `IOLoop.add_handler` cannot be called more than once with the same file descriptor. This was always true for `epoll`, but now the other implementations enforce it too.
- On Windows, `TCPServer` uses `SO_EXCLUSIVEADDRUSER` instead of `SO_REUSEADDR`.
tornado.template

- {% break %} and {% continue %} can now be used looping constructs in templates.
- It is no longer an error for an if/else/for/etc block in a template to have an empty body.

**tornado.testing**

- New class `tornado.testing.AsyncHTTPSTestCase` is like `AsyncHTTPTestCase`, but enables SSL for the testing server (by default using a self-signed testing certificate).
- `tornado.testing.main` now accepts additional keyword arguments and forwards them to `unittest.main`.

**tornado.web**

- New method `RequestHandler.get_template_namespace` can be overridden to add additional variables without modifying keyword arguments to `render_string`.
- `RequestHandler.add_header` now works with `WSGIApplication`.
- `RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie` now handles a potential error case.
- `RequestHandler.__init__` now calls `super().__init__` to ensure that all constructors are called when multiple inheritance is used.
- Docs have been updated with a description of all available `Application settings`.

**Other modules**

- `OAuthMixin` now accepts "oob" as a `callback_uri`.
- `OpenIdMixin` now also returns the `claimed_id` field for the user.
- `tornado.platform.twisted` shutdown sequence is now more compatible.
- The logging configuration used in `tornado.options` is now more tolerant of non-ascii byte strings.

**6.9.37 What’s new in Tornado 2.3**

**May 31, 2012**

**HTTP clients**

- `tornado.httpclient.HTTPClient` now supports the same constructor keyword arguments as `AsyncHTTPClient`.
- The `max_clients` keyword argument to `AsyncHTTPClient.configure` now works.
- `tornado.simple_httpclient` now supports the OPTIONS and PATCH HTTP methods.
- `tornado.simple_httpclient` is better about closing its sockets instead of leaving them for garbage collection.
- `tornado.simple_httpclient` correctly verifies SSL certificates for URLs containing IPv6 literals (This bug affected Python 2.5 and 2.6).
• **tornado.simple_httpclient** no longer includes basic auth credentials in the `Host` header when those credentials are extracted from the URL.

• **tornado.simple_httpclient** no longer modifies the caller-supplied header dictionary, which caused problems when following redirects.

• **tornado.curl_httpclient** now supports client SSL certificates (using the same `client_cert` and `client_key` arguments as **tornado.simple_httpclient**)

**HTTP Server**

• **HTTPServer** now works correctly with paths starting with `//`

• **HTTPHeaders.copy** (inherited from `dict.copy`) now works correctly.

• **HTTPConnection.address** is now always the socket address, even for non-IP sockets. **HTTPRequest.remote_ip** is still always an IP-style address (fake data is used for non-IP sockets)

• Extra data at the end of multipart form bodies is now ignored, which fixes a compatibility problem with an iOS HTTP client library.

**IOLoop and IOSTream**

• **IOStream** now has an `error` attribute that can be used to determine why a socket was closed.

• **tornado.iostream.IOStream.read_until** and **read_until_regex** are much faster with large input.

• **IOStream.write** performs better when given very large strings.

• **IOLoop.instance()** is now thread-safe.

**tornado.options**

• **tornado.options** options with `multiple=True` that are set more than once now overwrite rather than append. This makes it possible to override values set in `parse_config_file` with `parse_command_line`.

• **tornado.options --help** output is now prettier.

• **tornado.options.options** now supports attribute assignment.

**tornado.template**

• Template files containing non-ASCII (utf8) characters now work on Python 3 regardless of the locale environment variables.

• Templates now support `else` clauses in `try/except/finally/else` blocks.
tornado.web

- **tornado.web.RequestHandler** now supports the PATCH HTTP method. Note that this means any existing methods named `patch` in RequestHandler subclasses will need to be renamed.

- **tornado.web.addslash** and **removeslash** decorators now send permanent redirects (301) instead of temporary (302).

- **RequestHandler.flush** now invokes its callback whether there was any data to flush or not.

- Repeated calls to **RequestHandler.set_cookie** with the same name now overwrite the previous cookie instead of producing additional copies.

- **tornado.web.OutputTransform.transform_first_chunk** now takes and returns a status code in addition to the headers and chunk. This is a backwards-incompatible change to an interface that was never technically private, but was not included in the documentation and does not appear to have been used outside Tornado itself.

- Fixed a bug on python versions before 2.6.5 when **tornado.web.URLSpec** regexes are constructed from unicode strings and keyword arguments are extracted.

- The **reverse_url** function in the template namespace now comes from the **RequestHandler** rather than the **Application**. (Unless overridden, **RequestHandler.reverse_url** is just an alias for the **Application** method).

- The **Etag** header is now returned on 304 responses to an **If-None-Match** request, improving compatibility with some caches.

- **tornado.web** will no longer produce responses with status code 304 that also have entity headers such as **Content-Length**.

**Other modules**

- **tornado.auth.FacebookGraphMixin** no longer sends **post_args** redundantly in the url.

- The **extra_params** argument to **tornado.escape.linkify** may now be a callable, to allow parameters to be chosen separately for each link.

- **tornado.gen** no longer leaks **StackContexts** when a **@gen.engine** wrapped function is called repeatedly.

- **tornado.locale.get_supported_locales** no longer takes a meaningless **cls** argument.

- **StackContext** instances now have a deactivation callback that can be used to prevent further propagation.

- **tornado.testing.AsyncTestCase.wait** now resets its timeout on each call.

- **tornado.wsgi.WSGIApplication** now parses arguments correctly on Python 3.

- Exception handling on Python 3 has been improved; previously some exceptions such as **UnicodeDecodeError** would generate **TypeErrors**
6.9.38 What's new in Tornado 2.2.1

Apr 23, 2012

Security fixes

- \texttt{tornado.web.RequestHandler.set_header} now properly sanitizes input values to protect against header injection, response splitting, etc. (it has always attempted to do this, but the check was incorrect). Note that redirects, the most likely source of such bugs, are protected by a separate check in \texttt{RequestHandler.redirect}.

Bug fixes

- Colored logging configuration in \texttt{tornado.options} is compatible with Python 3.2.3 (and 3.3).

6.9.39 What's new in Tornado 2.2

Jan 30, 2012

Highlights

- Updated and expanded WebSocket support.
- Improved compatibility in the Twisted/Tornado bridge.
- Template errors now generate better stack traces.
- Better exception handling in \texttt{tornado.gen}.

Security fixes

- \texttt{tornado.simple_httpclient} now disables SSLv2 in all cases. Previously SSLv2 would be allowed if the Python interpreter was linked against a pre-1.0 version of OpenSSL.

Backwards-incompatible changes

- \texttt{tornado.process.fork_processes} now raises \texttt{SystemExit} if all child processes exit cleanly rather than returning \texttt{None}. The old behavior was surprising and inconsistent with most of the documented examples of this function (which did not check the return value).
- On Python 2.6, \texttt{tornado.simple_httpclient} only supports SSLv3. This is because Python 2.6 does not expose a way to support both SSLv3 and TLSv1 without also supporting the insecure SSLv2.
- \texttt{tornado.websocket} no longer supports the older “draft 76” version of the websocket protocol by default, although this version can be enabled by overriding \texttt{tornado.websocket.WebSocketHandler.allow_draft76}.
tornado.httpclient

- SimpleAsyncHTTPClient no longer hangs on HEAD requests, responses with no content, or empty POST/PUT response bodies.
- SimpleAsyncHTTPClient now supports 303 and 307 redirect codes.
- tornado.curl_httpclient now accepts non-integer timeouts.
- tornado.curl_httpclient now supports basic authentication with an empty password.

tornado.httpserver

- HTTPServer with xheaders=True will no longer accept X-Real-IP headers that don’t look like valid IP addresses.
- HTTPServer now treats the Connection request header as case-insensitive.

tornado.ioloop and tornado.iostream

- IOStream.write now works correctly when given an empty string.
- IOStream.read_until (and read_until_regex) now perform better when there is a lot of buffered data, which improves performance of SimpleAsyncHTTPClient when downloading files with lots of chunks.
- SSLIOStream now works correctly when ssl_version is set to a value other than SSLv23.
- Idle IOLoops no longer wake up several times a second.
- tornado.ioloop.PeriodicCallback no longer triggers duplicate callbacks when stopped and started repeatedly.

tornado.template

- Exceptions in template code will now show better stack traces that reference lines from the original template file.
- {# and #} can now be used for comments (and unlike the old {% comment %} directive, these can wrap other template directives).
- Template directives may now span multiple lines.

tornado.web

- Now behaves better when given malformed Cookie headers.
- RequestHandler.redirect now has a status argument to send status codes other than 301 and 302.
- New method RequestHandler.on_finish may be overridden for post-request processing (as a counterpart to RequestHandler.prepare).
- StaticFileHandler now outputs Content-Length and Etag headers on HEAD requests.
- StaticFileHandler now has overridable get_version and parse_url_path methods for use in subclasses.
• `RequestHandler.static_url` now takes an `include_host` parameter (in addition to the old support for the `RequestHandler.include_host` attribute).

### `tornado.websocket`

- Updated to support the latest version of the protocol, as finalized in RFC 6455.
- Many bugs were fixed in all supported protocol versions.
- `tornado.websocket` no longer supports the older “draft 76” version of the websocket protocol by default, although this version can be enabled by overriding `tornado.websocket.WebSocketHandler.allow_draft76`.
- `WebSocketHandler.write_message` now accepts a `binary` argument to send binary messages.
- Subprotocols (i.e. the `Sec-WebSocket-Protocol` header) are now supported; see the `WebSocketHandler.select_subprotocol` method for details.
- `WebSocketHandler.get_websocket_scheme` can be used to select the appropriate url scheme (`ws://` or `wss://`) in cases where `HTTPRequest.protocol` is not set correctly.

### Other modules

- `tornado.auth.TwitterMixin.authenticate_redirect` now takes a `callback_uri` parameter.
- `tornado.auth.TwitterMixin.twitter_request` now accepts both URLs and partial paths (complete URLs are useful for the search API which follows different patterns).
- Exception handling in `tornado.gen` has been improved. It is now possible to catch exceptions thrown by a `Task`.
- `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets` now works when `getaddrinfo` returns duplicate addresses.
- `tornado.platform.twisted` compatibility has been significantly improved. Twisted version 11.1.0 is now supported in addition to 11.0.0.
- `tornado.process.fork_processes` correctly reseeds the `random` module even when `os.urandom` is not implemented.
- `tornado.testing.main` supports a new flag `--exception-on-interrupt`, which can be set to false to make Ctrl-C kill the process more reliably (at the expense of stack traces when it does so).
- `tornado.version_info` is now a four-tuple so official releases can be distinguished from development branches.

### 6.9.40 What’s new in Tornado 2.1.1

**Oct 4, 2011**

#### Bug fixes

- Fixed handling of closed connections with the `epoll` (i.e. Linux) IOLoop. Previously, closed connections could be shut down too early, which most often manifested as “Stream is closed” exceptions in `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient`.
- Fixed a case in which chunked responses could be closed prematurely, leading to truncated output.
• **IOStream.connect** now reports errors more consistently via logging and the close callback (this affects e.g. connections to localhost on FreeBSD).
• **IOStream.read_bytes** again accepts both `int` and `long` arguments.
• **PeriodicCallback** no longer runs repeatedly when IOLoop iterations complete faster than the resolution of `time.time()` (mainly a problem on Windows).

**Backwards-compatibility note**

• Listening for `IOLoop.ERROR` alone is no longer sufficient for detecting closed connections on an otherwise unused socket. `IOLoop.ERROR` must always be used in combination with `READ` or `WRITE`.

### 6.9.41 What’s new in Tornado 2.1

**Sep 20, 2011**

**Backwards-incompatible changes**

• Support for secure cookies written by pre-1.0 releases of Tornado has been removed. The `RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie` method no longer takes an `include_name` parameter.
• The `debug` application setting now causes stack traces to be displayed in the browser on uncaught exceptions. Since this may leak sensitive information, debug mode is not recommended for public-facing servers.

**Security fixes**

• Diginotar has been removed from the default CA certificates file used by `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient`.

**New modules**

• `tornado.gen`: A generator-based interface to simplify writing asynchronous functions.
• `tornado.netutil`: Parts of `tornado.httpserver` have been extracted into a new module for use with non-HTTP protocols.
• `tornado.platform.twisted`: A bridge between the Tornado IOLoop and the Twisted Reactor, allowing code written for Twisted to be run on Tornado.
• `tornado.process`: Multi-process mode has been improved, and can now restart crashed child processes. A new entry point has been added at `tornado.process.fork_processes`, although `tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer.start` is still supported.
tornado.web

- `tornado.web.RequestHandler.write_error` replaces `get_error_html` as the preferred way to generate custom error pages (`get_error_html` is still supported, but deprecated)
- In `tornado.web.Application`, handlers may be specified by (fully-qualified) name instead of importing and passing the class object itself.
- It is now possible to use a custom subclass of `StaticFileHandler` with the `static_handler_class` application setting, and this subclass can override the behavior of the `static_url` method.
- `StaticFileHandler` subclasses can now override `get_cache_time` to customize cache control behavior.
- `tornado.web.RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie` now has a `max_age_days` parameter to allow applications to override the default one-month expiration.
- `set_cookie` now accepts a `max_age` keyword argument to set the `max-age` cookie attribute (note underscore vs dash)
- `tornado.web.RequestHandler.set_default_headers` may be overridden to set headers in a way that does not get reset during error handling.
- `RequestHandler.add_header` can now be used to set a header that can appear multiple times in the response.
- `RequestHandler.flush` can now take a callback for flow control.

- `tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer.bind` now takes a backlog argument with the same meaning as `socket.listen`.
- `HTTPServer` can now be run on a unix socket as well as TCP.
- Fixed exception at startup when `socket.AI_ADDRCONFIG` is not available, as on Windows XP

**tornado.httpserver**

- To facilitate some advanced multi-process scenarios, `HTTPServer` has a new method `add_sockets`, and socket-opening code is available separately as `tornado.netutil.bind_sockets`.
- The `cookies` property is now available on `tornado.httpserver.HTTPRequest` (it is also available in its old location as a property of `RequestHandler`)
- `tornado.httpserver.HTTPServer.bind` now takes a backlog argument with the same meaning as `socket.listen`.
- `HTTPServer` can now be run on a unix socket as well as TCP.

**IOLoop and IOSTream**

- `IOStream` performance has been improved, especially for small synchronous requests.
- New methods `tornado.iostream.IOStream.read_until_close` and `tornado.iostream.IOStream.read_until_regex`.
- `IOStream.read_bytes` and `IOStream.read_until_close` now take a `streaming_callback` argument to return data as it is received rather than all at once.
- `IOLoop.add_timeout` now accepts `datetime.timedelta` objects in addition to absolute timestamps.
- `PeriodicCallback` now sticks to the specified period instead of creeping later due to accumulated errors.
• `tornado.ioloop.IOLoop` and `tornado.httpclient.HTTPClient` now have `close()` methods that should be used in applications that create and destroy many of these objects.

• `IOLoop.install` can now be used to use a custom subclass of IOLoop as the singleton without monkey-patching.

• `IOStream` should now always call the close callback instead of the connect callback on a connection error.

• The `IOStream` close callback will no longer be called while there are pending read callbacks that can be satisfied with buffered data.

**tornado.simple_httpclient**

• Now supports client SSL certificates with the `client_key` and `client_cert` parameters to `tornado.httpclient.HTTPRequest`.

• Now takes a maximum buffer size, to allow reading files larger than 100MB.

• Now works with HTTP 1.0 servers that don’t send a Content-Length header.

• The `allow_nonstandard_methods` flag on HTTP client requests now permits methods other than POST and PUT to contain bodies.

• Fixed file descriptor leaks and multiple callback invocations in `SimpleAsyncHTTPClient`.

• No longer consumes extra connection resources when following redirects.

• Now works with buggy web servers that separate headers with \n instead of \r\n\r\n.

• Now sets `response.request_time` correctly.

• Connect timeouts now work correctly.

**Other modules**

• `tornado.auth.OpenIdMixin` now uses the correct realm when the callback URI is on a different domain.

• `tornado.autoreload` has a new command-line interface which can be used to wrap any script. This replaces the `--autoreload` argument to `tornado.testing.main` and is more robust against syntax errors.

• `tornado.autoreload.watch` can be used to watch files other than the sources of imported modules.

• `tornado.database.Connection` has new variants of `execute` and `executemany` that return the number of rows affected instead of the last inserted row id.

• `tornado.locale.load_translations` now accepts any properly-formatted locale name, not just those in the predefined `LOCALE_NAMES` list.

• `tornado.options.define` now takes a `group` parameter to group options in `--help` output.

• Template loaders now take a `namespace` constructor argument to add entries to the template namespace.

• `tornado.websocket` now supports the latest ("hybi-10") version of the protocol (the old version, "hixie-76" is still supported; the correct version is detected automatically).

• `tornado.websocket` now works on Python 3.
Bug fixes

- Windows support has been improved. Windows is still not an officially supported platform, but the test suite
  now passes and `tornado.autoreload` works.
- Uploading files whose names contain special characters will now work.
- Cookie values containing special characters are now properly quoted and unquoted.
- Multi-line headers are now supported.
- Repeated Content-Length headers (which may be added by certain proxies) are now supported in
  `HTTPServer`.
- Unicode string literals now work in template expressions.
- The template `{% module %}` directive now works even if applications use a template variable named
  `modules`.
- Requests with “Expect: 100-continue” now work on python 3

6.9.42 What’s new in Tornado 2.0

Jun 21, 2011

Major changes:
- Template output is automatically escaped by default; see backwards
  compatibility note below.
- The default AsyncHTTPClient implementation is now simple_httpclient.
- Python 3.2 is now supported.

Backwards compatibility:
- Template autoescaping is enabled by default. Applications upgrading from
  a previous release of Tornado must either disable autoescaping or adapt
  their templates to work with it. For most applications, the simplest
  way to do this is to pass `autoescape=None` to the Application constructor.
  Note that this affects certain built-in methods, e.g. xsrf_form_html
  and linkify, which must now be called with `{% raw %}` instead of `{}`
- Applications that wish to continue using curl_httpclient instead of
  simple_httpclient may do so by calling
  `AsyncHTTPClient.configure("tornado.curl_httpclient.CurlAsyncHTTPClient")`
  at the beginning of the process. Users of Python 2.5 will probably want
  to use curl_httpclient as simple_httpclient only supports ssl on Python 2.6+
- Python 3 compatibility involved many changes throughout the codebase,
  so users are encouraged to test their applications more thoroughly than
  usual when upgrading to this release.

Other changes in this release:
- Templates support several new directives:
  - `{% autoescape ...%}` to control escaping behavior
  - `{% raw ... %}` for unescaped output
  - `{% module ... %}` for calling UIModules
  - `{% module Template(path, **kwargs) %}` may now be used to call another
    template with an independent namespace
- All IOSTream callbacks are now run directly on the IOLoop via add_callback.
- HTTPServer now supports IPv6 where available. To disable, `pass`
  family=socket.AF_INET to HTTPServer.bind().
- HTTPClient now supports IPv6, configurable via allow_ipv6=bool on the
HTTPRequest. allow_ipv6 defaults to false on simple_httpclient and true on curl_httpclient.

- RequestHandlers can use an encoding other than utf-8 for query parameters by overriding decode_argument()
- Performance improvements, especially for applications that use a lot of IOLoop timeouts
- HTTP OPTIONS method no longer requires an XSRF token.
- JSON output (RequestHandler.write(dict)) now sets Content-Type to application/json
- Etag computation can now be customized or disabled by overriding RequestHandler.compute_etag
- USE_SIMPLE_HTTPCLIENT environment variable is no longer supported. Use AsyncHTTPClient.configure instead.

### 6.9.43 What’s new in Tornado 1.2.1

Mar 3, 2011

We are pleased to announce the release of Tornado 1.2.1, available from https://github.com/downloads/facebook/tornado/tornado-1.2.1.tar.gz

This release contains only two small changes relative to version 1.2:

- FacebookGraphMixin has been updated to work with a recent change to the Facebook API.
- Running "setup.py install" will no longer attempt to automatically install pycurl. This wasn't working well on platforms where the best way to install pycurl is via something like apt-get instead of easy_install.

This is an important upgrade if you are using FacebookGraphMixin, but otherwise it can be safely ignored.

### 6.9.44 What’s new in Tornado 1.2

Feb 20, 2011

We are pleased to announce the release of Tornado 1.2, available from https://github.com/downloads/facebook/tornado/tornado-1.2.tar.gz

Backwards compatibility notes:

- This release includes the backwards-incompatible security change from version 1.1.1. Users upgrading from 1.1 or earlier should read the release notes from that release:
  http://groups.google.com/group/python-tornado/browse_thread/thread/b36191c781580cde
- StackContexts that do something other than catch exceptions may need to be modified to be reentrant.
  https://github.com/tornadoweb/tornado/commit/7a7e24143e77481c781580cde
- When XSRF tokens are used, the token must also be present on PUT and DELETE requests (anything but GET and HEAD)

New features:

- A new HTTP client implementation is available in the module
tornado.simple_httpclient. This HTTP client does not depend on pycurl. It has not yet been tested extensively in production, but is intended to eventually replace the pycurl-based HTTP client in a future release of Tornado. To transparently replace tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient with this new implementation, you can set the environment variable USE_SIMPLE_HTTPCLIENT=1 (note that the next release of Tornado will likely include a different way to select HTTP client implementations)

* Request logging is now done by the Application rather than the RequestHandler. Logging behavior may be customized by either overriding Application.log_request in a subclass or by passing log_function as an Application setting
* Application.listen(port): Convenience method as an alternative to explicitly creating an HTTPServer
* tornado.escape.linkify(): Wrap urls in <a> tags
* RequestHandler.create_signed_value(): Create signatures like the secure_cookie methods without setting cookies.
* tornado.testing.get_unused_port(): Returns a port selected in the same way as inAsyncHTTPTestCase
* AsyncHTTPTestCase.fetch(): Convenience method for synchronous fetches
* IOLoop.set_blocking_signal_threshold(): Set a callback to be run when the IOLoop is blocked.
* IOStream.connect(): Asynchronously connect a client socket
* AsyncHTTPClient.handle_callback_exception(): May be overridden in subclass for custom error handling
* httpclient.HTTPRequest has two new keyword arguments, validate_cert and ca_certs. Setting validate_cert=False will disable all certificate checks when fetching https urls. ca_certs may be set to a filename containing trusted certificate authorities (defaults will be used if this is unspecified)
* HTTPRequest.get_ssl_certificate(): Returns the client's SSL certificate (if client certificates were requested in the server's ssl_options
* StaticFileHandler can be configured to return a default file (e.g. index.html) when a directory is requested
* Template directives of the form "{% from x import y %}" are now supported (in addition to the existing support for "{% import x %}"
* FacebookGraphMixin.get_authenticated_user now accepts a new parameter 'extra_fields' which may be used to request additional information about the user

Bug fixes:
* auth: Fixed KeyError with Facebook offline_access
* auth: Uses request.uri instead of request.path as the default redirect so that parameters are preserved.
* escape: xhtml_escape() now returns a unicode string, not utf8-encoded bytes
* ioloop: Callbacks added with add_callback are now run in the order they were added
* ioloop: PeriodicCallback.stop can now be called from inside the callback.
* iostream: Fixed several bugs in SSLIOStream
* iostream: Detect when the other side has closed the connection even with the select()-based IOLoop
* iostream: read_bytes(0) now works as expected
* iostream: Fixed bug when writing large amounts of data on windows
* httpclient: Fixed infinite loop that could occur with unhandled exceptions
* httpclient: Fix bugs when some requests use proxies and others don't
* httpserver: HTTPRequest.protocol is now set correctly when using the
 built-in SSL support
* httpserver: When using multiple processes, the standard library's random number generator is re-seeded in each child process
* httpserver: With xheaders enabled, X-Forwarded-Proto is supported as an alternative to X-Scheme
* httpserver: Fixed bugs in multipart/form-data parsing
* locale: format_date() now behaves sanely with dates in the future
* locale: Updates to the language list
* stack_context: Fixed bug with contexts leaking through reused IOStreams
* stack_context: Simplified semantics and improved performance
* web: The order of css_files from UIModules is now preserved
* web: Fixed error with default_host redirect
* web: StaticFileHandler works when os.path.sep != '\' (i.e. on Windows)
* web: Fixed a caching-related bug in StaticFileHandler when a file's timestamp has changed but its contents have not.
* web: Fixed bugs with HEAD requests and e.g. Etag headers
* web: Fix bugs when different handlers have different static_paths
* web: @removeslash will no longer cause a redirect loop when applied to the root path
* websocket: Now works over SSL
* websocket: Improved compatibility with proxies

Many thanks to everyone who contributed patches, bug reports, and feedback that went into this release!

-Ben

6.9.45 What's new in Tornado 1.1.1

Feb 8, 2011

Tornado 1.1.1 is a BACKWARDS-INCOMPATIBLE security update that fixes an XSRF vulnerability. It is available at https://github.com/downloads/facebook/tornado/tornado-1.1.1.tar.gz

This is a backwards-incompatible change. Applications that previously relied on a blanket exception for XMLHttpRequest may need to be modified to explicitly include the XSRF token when making ajax requests.

The tornado chat demo application demonstrates one way of adding this token (specifically the function postJSON in demos/chat/static/chat.js).

6.9.46 What's new in Tornado 1.1

Sep 7, 2010

We are pleased to announce the release of Tornado 1.1, available from https://github.com/downloads/facebook/tornado/tornado-1.1.tar.gz

Changes in this release:

- `RequestHandler.async_callback` and related functions in other classes are no longer needed in most cases (although it's harmless to continue using them). Uncaught exceptions will now cause the request to be closed even in a callback. If you're curious how this works, see the new `tornado.stack_context` module.
- The new `tornado.testing` module contains support for unit testing asynchronous IOLoop-based code.
- `AsyncHTTPClient` has been rewritten (the new implementation was available as `AsyncHTTPClient2` in Tornado 1.0; both names are supported for backwards compatibility).
- The `tornado.auth` module has had a number of updates, including support for OAuth 2.0 and the Facebook Graph API, and upgrading Twitter and Google support to OAuth 1.0a.
- The websocket module is back and supports the latest version (76) of the websocket protocol. Note that this module's interface is different from the websocket module that appeared in pre-1.0 versions of Tornado.
- New method `RequestHandler.initialize()` can be overridden in subclasses to simplify handling arguments from URLSpecs. The sequence of methods called during initialization is documented at http://tornadoweb.org/documentation#overriding-requesthandler-methods
- `get_argument()` and related methods now work on PUT requests in addition to POST.
- The `httpclient` module now supports HTTP proxies.
- When `HTTPServer` is run in SSL mode, the SSL handshake is now non-blocking.
- Many smaller bug fixes and documentation updates

Backwards-compatibility notes:

- While most users of Tornado should not have to deal with the `stack_context` module directly, users of worker thread pools and similar constructs may need to use `stack_context.wrap` and/or `NullContext` to avoid memory leaks.
- The new `AsyncHTTPClient` still works with `libcurl` version 7.16.x, but it performs better when both `libcurl` and `pycurl` are at least version 7.18.2.
- OAuth transactions started under previous versions of the `auth` module cannot be completed under the new module. This applies only to the initial authorization process; once an authorized token is issued that token works with either version.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed patches, bug reports, and feedback that went into this release!

-Ben
6.9.47 What’s new in Tornado 1.0.1

Aug 13, 2010

This release fixes a bug with RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie, which would in some circumstances allow an attacker to tamper with data stored in the cookie.

6.9.48 What’s new in Tornado 1.0

July 22, 2010

We are pleased to announce the release of Tornado 1.0, available from
https://github.com/downloads/facebook/tornado/tornado-1.0.tar.gz. There have been many changes since version 0.2; here are some of the highlights:

New features:
- Improved support for running other WSGI applications in a Tornado server (tested with Django and CherryPy)
- Improved performance on Mac OS X and BSD (kqueue-based IOLoop), and experimental support for win32
- Rewritten AsyncHTTPClient available as tornado.httpclient.AsyncHTTPClient2 (this will become the default in a future release)
- Support for standard .mo files in addition to .csv in the locale module
- Pre-forking support for running multiple Tornado processes at once (see HTTPServer.start())
- SSL and gzip support in HTTPServer
- reverse_url() function refers to urls from the Application config by name from templates and RequestHandlers
- RequestHandler.on_connection_close() callback is called when the client has closed the connection (subject to limitations of the underlying network stack, any proxies, etc)
- Static files can now be served somewhere other than /static/ via the static_url_prefix application setting
- URL regexes can now use named groups ("(?P<name>)") to pass arguments to get()/post() via keyword instead of position
- HTTP header dictionary-like objects now support multiple values for the same header via the get_all() and add() methods.
- Several new options in the httpclient module, including prepare_curl_callback and header_callback
- Improved logging configuration in tornado.options.
- UIModule.html_body() can be used to return html to be inserted at the end of the document body.

Backwards-incompatible changes:
- RequestHandler.get_error_html() now receives the exception object as a keyword argument if the error was caused by an uncaught exception.
- Secure cookies are now more secure, but incompatible with cookies set by Tornado 0.2. To read cookies set by older versions of Tornado, pass include_name=False to
RequestHandler.get_secure_cookie()

* Parameters passed to RequestHandler.get/post() by extraction
  from the path now have %-escapes decoded, for consistency with
  the processing that was already done with other query
  parameters.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed patches, bug reports, and
feedback that went into this release!

—Ben

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You can discuss Tornado on the Tornado developer mailing list, and report bugs on the GitHub issue tracker. Links to additional resources can be found on the Tornado wiki. New releases are announced on the announcements mailing list.

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