
DjangoFutures Documentation

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CHAPTER 1

Install

The current version of Django Futures is a development build!

Django Futures is still a proof of concept. That said, please install it, try it, and give feedback.

There is package available and is the easiest way to install Django Futures. Simply install with `pip` as usual.

```
pip install djang-futures
```

If you prefer the bleeding edge, install using the sources from [GitHub](#).

`pip` can also be used to install from source.

1. Clone the repo: `git clone https://github.com/jeffbuttars/django-futures`
2. `pip` the package sources: `pip install django-futures/src`

If you don't want to use `pip`, you can run the setup script directly. Clone the directory as in step one above then:

2. Change to the package source directory: `cd django-futures/src`
3. Run the `setup.py` script: `python ./setup.py install`

CHAPTER 2

Examples

Here is a simple asynchronous view that fetches a web page.

```
from tornado import gen
from django_futures.http_client import HttpClient
from django.views.generic import TemplateView
from core.views import BaseTemplateView

class TestAsyncHttpClient(BaseTemplateView):

    template_name = "test_async_httpclient.html"
    num_client_options = (1, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100)

    @gen.coroutine
    def get(self, request):
        """
        Here we make an asynchronous web call using the asynchronous
        aware web client available with Django Futures
        """

        # Go and grab a web page asynchronously
        http_client = HttpClient()

        res = yield http_client.get('http://yahoo.com')
        ctx = {
            'web_response': res
        }

        # Build a Django response
        myres = super(TestAsyncHttpClient, self).get(request, **ctx)

        # In an asynchronous view, we must render a Django response using
        # the render() method of the request object.
        request.render(myres)

    # get()
    # TestAsyncHttpClient
```


CHAPTER 3

run_tornado

`django_futures.http_client.py`

`http_client.py` – Asynchronous HTTP Client

This is a ‘smart’ HTTPClient wrapper that also makes requests a bit simpler by borrowing conventions from the ‘requests’ module.

If a tornado IOLoop is running, then async requests are made. Otherwise, tornado’s `run_sync()` method is used to make the calls synchronous.

```
class django_futures.http_client.HttpClient (*args, **kwargs)
```

Bases: object

Docstring for HttpClient

```
classmethod configure (impl, **kwargs)
```

```
get (url, params=None, **kwargs)
```

GET wrapper. Always returns a future.

Parameters

- **url** (*type description*) – arg description
- **kwargs** (*type description*) – arg description

Returns

Return type

```
post (url, data=None, params=None, **kwargs)
```

todo: Docstring for post

Parameters

- **url** (*type description*) – arg description

- ****kwargs** (*type description*) – arg description

Returns

Return type

post_json (*url, data, params=None, **kwargs*)

todo: Docstring for post_json

Parameters

- **url** (*type description*) – arg description
- **data** (*type description*) – arg description
- **params** (*type description*) – arg description
- ****kwargs** (*type description*) – arg description

Returns

Return type

django_futures.decorators.py

decorators.py – Simplify Asynchronous Code

class django_futures.decorators.**ttask**(*args, **kwargs)
Bases: object

Run a task as a tornado callback. Great for async background code. If tornado is not running, then things are run synchronously.

Example: We define the task `send_signup_confirmation()` using the `@ttask()` decorator. When the task is called on line 21 the call will return immediately and the task will run at a later time after the view has finished.

```
1 from ttasks.decorators import ttask
2
3 @ttask()
4 def send_signup_confirmation(req, emsg):
5
6     url = "https://api.myemailserver.example.com
7     hc = HTTPClient()
8     resp = hc.fetch(
9         url,
10        method='POST',
11        body=tornado.escape.json_encode(emsg),
12    )
13
14    logger.debug("email result: %s", resp)
15
16
17 def a_view(request):
18     # Process some stuff
19     ...
```

```
20     # Call the task
21     send_signup_confirmation(request)
22
23     # create and return a response
24     ...
25     return response
```

class `django_futures.decorators.ctask(*args, **kwargs)`

Bases: `object`

Creates a *ttask* using a method/function that is also a Tornado coroutine.

This is a convenience decorator and is equivalent to decorating a function with `@tornado.gen.coroutine` and `@ttask()`

ctask will run the `tornado.gen.coroutine` on the decorated function first then decorate it with *ttask*.

For example, use this if you have a task that needs to make asynchronous http client calls.

Github

Django Futures is an open source project hosted on [GitHub](#). Browse, download and fork the sources at the [Django Futures GitHub repository](#)

Rendered

You can view the source files as they are rendered by [Sphinx](#) by visiting the links below.

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