
link.middleware Documentation

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link.middleware provides some utilities to create middlewares that connect to a remote service.

Check out the source code on [Github](#).

Installation

```
pip install link.middleware
```

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2.1 Tutorial

2.1.1 Introduction: Middlewares and URLs

A *middleware* is a class which can be instantiated with an **URL**.

The middleware is used to provide a Python API for different protocols, those protocol are used as scheme of the middleware URL to identify which one to instantiate.

```
http://user:pass@localhost:81/path/sub#fragment?foo=bar
```

The above URL will instantiate the class HTTPMiddleware:

```
HTTPMiddleware(  
    username='user',  
    password='pass',  
    hosts=[('localhost', 81)],  
    path=['path', 'sub'],  
    fragment='fragment',  
    foo='bar'  
)
```

NB: As you can see, `hosts` is an array, middleware URLs can have multiple hosts:

```
http://user:pass@host1:80,host2:80,host3/path/sub#fragment?foo=bar
```

With the following instantiation:

```
HTTPMiddleware(  
    username='user',  
    password='pass',  
    hosts=[  
        ('host1', 80),  
        ('host2', 80),  
        ('host3', None)  
    ],  
    path=['path', 'sub'],  
    fragment='fragment',  
    foo='bar'  
)
```

2.1.2 Creating a middleware

In order to create a middleware for a protocol (database, messaging, ...), you just need to create a new class inheriting from the `Middleware` class, and register it:

```
from link.middleware.core import Middleware, register_middleware

@register_middleware
class MyMiddleware(Middleware):
    __protocols__ = ['myprotocol']

    def __init__(self, foo=None, *args, **kwargs):
        super(MyMiddleware, self).__init__(*args, **kwargs)

        self.foo = foo
```

Then, you can instantiate your new middleware:

```
mid = Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri('myprotocol://?foo=bar')
assert mid.foo == 'bar'
assert mid.tourl() == 'myprotocol://?foo=bar'
```

NB: In order to be available for the `Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri()` method, the middleware **MUST** have been imported first (so the `register_middleware` decorator can do its job).

2.1.3 Constraints and child middleware

Sometimes, your middleware need another middleware to do its job, especially when your protocol can use multiple backends (i.e.: git via SSH or HTTPS).

Middleware can have a child middleware specified in the URL:

```
git+ssh://user@remotehost/myproject.git
```

With the following instantiation:

```
child = Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri(
    'ssh://user@remotehost/myproject.git'
)
mid = MyGitMiddleware(
    username='user',
    hosts=[('remotehost', None)],
    path=['myproject.git']
)
mid.set_child_middleware(child)
```

Then, you can get the child middleware to use it:

```
child = mid.set_child_middleware()
```

Of course, not all middlewares are compatible, you can provide a list of accepted classes for child middlewares, and the `set_child_middleware()` method will check if the instance match the constraint:

```
from link.middleware.core import Middleware, register_middleware

@register_middleware
class MyDriver(Middleware):
```

```
__protocols__ = ['mybackend']

@register_middleware
class MyMiddleware(Middleware):
    __protocols__ = ['myprotocol']
    __constraints__ = [MyDriver]
```

And then, someone can inherit from your driver:

```
@register_middleware
class MyCustomDriver(MyDriver):
    __protocols__ = ['mycustombackend']
```

And instantiate the whole thing:

```
mid = Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri(
    'myprotocol+mycustombackend://'
)
```

NB: There is no limit to how much children you want:

```
proto1+proto2+proto3://
```

Here:

- proto3 is the child middleware of proto2
- proto2 is the child middleware of proto1
- proto1 will be returned by `Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri()`

Finally, the class method `get_middleware_by_uri()` verify that the new middleware is an instance of the calling class, thus, this code will raise an exception:

```
@register_middleware
class MyMiddleware(Middleware):
    __protocols__ = ['myprotocol']

@register_middleware
class NotMyMiddleware(Middleware):
    __protocols__ = ['notmyprotocol']

mid = MyMiddleware.get_middleware_by_uri('notmyprotocol://')
```

2.2 API documentation

2.2.1 link.middleware package

Submodules

link.middleware.core module

```
class link.middleware.core.Middleware(user=None, pwd=None, hosts=None, path=None, fragment=' ', **kwargs)
    Bases: object
```

Basic middleware class, resolvable via URLs.

exception Error

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

classmethod Middleware.constraints()

Get all constraints enforced by class. A constraint is used when the middleware is instantiated with a child middleware (`protocol1+protocol2://`). The child middleware must be a subclass of each class specified by the constraint.

Returns list of constraints

Return type `list`

Middleware.get_child_middleware()

Get child middleware.

Returns Child middleware or None

Return type `Middleware`

classmethod Middleware.get_middleware_by_uri(basecls, uri, cache=True)

Resolve URI to instantiate a middleware.

Parameters

- **uri** (`str`) – URI pointing to middleware
- **cache** (`bool`) – Cache the instantiated middleware (default: True)

Returns Pointed middleware

Return type `Middleware`

Raises `basecls.Error` – if middleware is not an instance of `basecls`

static Middleware.get_middlewares_by_protocols(protocols)

Get list of middlewares implementing every listed protocol.

Parameters **protocols** (`str` or `list`) – list of protocols

Returns list of middleware

Return type `list`

classmethod Middleware.protocols()

Get all protocols supported by class.

Returns list of protocols

Return type `list`

Middleware.set_child_middleware(middleware)

Set child middleware (make sure the child middleware validates the middleware constraints).

Parameters **middleware** (`Middleware`) – Child middleware

Middleware.tourl()

Get URL from current middleware.

Returns URL pointing to this middleware.

Return type `str`

link.middleware.core.register_middleware(cls)

Register middleware's protocols.

link.middleware.connectable module

class `link.middleware.connectable.ConnectableMiddleware` (*args, **kwargs)

Bases: `link.middleware.core.Middleware`

Middleware class connecting to a remote service.

conn

Returns internal connection (make sure the middleware is connected).

connect ()

If not already connected, connect the middleware to the remote service.

disconnect ()

If connected, disconnect the middleware.

isconnected ()

Check if middleware is connected.

link.middleware.socket module

class `link.middleware.socket.SocketMiddleware` (*args, **kwargs)

Bases: `link.middleware.connectable.ConnectableMiddleware`

Socket middleware.

new_socket (host, port)

Create a new socket (must be overridden).

Parameters

- **host** (*str*) – host to connect to
- **port** (*int*) – port to connect to

Returns socket object

receive (bufsize)

Fetch data from middleware.

Parameters **bufsize** – Size of data to fetch

Returns data read from middleware

send (data)

Send data to the middleware.

Parameters **data** – data to send

link.middleware.tcp module

class `link.middleware.tcp.TCPMiddleware` (*args, **kwargs)

Bases: `link.middleware.socket.SocketMiddleware`

TCP socket middleware.

new_socket (host, port)

link.middleware.udp module

class link.middleware.udp.**UDPMiddleware** (*args, **kwargs)

Bases: `link.middleware.socket.SocketMiddleware`

UDP Socket middleware.

new_socket (host, port)

send (data, host, port)

link.middleware.http module

class link.middleware.http.**HTTPMiddleware** (user=None, pwd=None, hosts=None, path=None, fragment='', **kwargs)

Bases: `link.middleware.core.Middleware`

HTTP middleware.

exception Error

Bases: `link.middleware.core.Error`

Error class raised by middleware methods.

`HTTPMiddleware.delete` (data)

DELETE document pointed by middleware.

Parameters `data` (*dict*) – data used for DELETE request

Returns request response's content

Return type `str`

`HTTPMiddleware.get` ()

GET document pointed by middleware.

Returns document's content

Return type `str`

`HTTPMiddleware.head` ()

Get headers of document pointed by middleware.

Returns headers

Return type `dict`

`HTTPMiddleware.options` ()

Check allowed requests on document pointed by middleware.

Returns list of allowed requests

Return type `list`

`HTTPMiddleware.patch` (data)

PATCH document pointed by middleware.

Parameters `data` (*dict*) – data used for PATCH request

Returns request response's content

Return type `str`

`HTTPMiddleware.post` (data)

POST data to document pointed by middleware.

Parameters **data** (*dict*) – data used by POST

Returns request response's content

Return type *str*

`HTTPMiddleware.put (data)`

PUT data to document pointed by middleware.

Parameters **data** (*dict*) – data used by PUT

Returns request response's content

Return type *str*

link.middleware.file module

`class link.middleware.file.FileMiddleware (user=None, pwd=None, hosts=None, path=None, fragment='', **kwargs)`

Bases: `link.middleware.core.Middleware`

Middleware with the same API as the `link.middleware.http.HTTPMiddleware` but with “file://” URI.

`delete (data)`

Delete file pointed by middleware.

Parameters **data** – unused (only for API compatibility)

`get ()`

Get content of file pointed by middleware.

Returns file's content

Return type *str*

`head ()`

`options ()`

`patch (data)`

`post (data)`

Append data to file pointed by middleware.

Parameters **data** (*str*) – data to append

`put (data)`

Write data to file pointed by middleware.

Parameters **data** (*str*) – data to write

Module contents

Features

- associate URLs to business class (called middleware)
- **support for protocols:**
 - `http://`
 - `file://`
 - `tcp://`
 - `udp://`

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