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# **tornadis Documentation**

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## **Requirements**

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- Python 2.7 or Python >= 3.2
- unix operating system (linux, osx...)
- a running redis server (>= 2.0)



### Installation

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With [pip](#) (without pip see at then end of this document):

```
pip install tornadis
```



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## First try (coroutines)

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```
1 # Let's import tornado and tornadis
2 import tornado
3 import tornadis
4
5
6 @tornado.gen.coroutine
7 def talk_to_redis():
8     # let's (re)connect (autoconnect mode), call the ping redis command
9     # and wait the reply without blocking the tornado ioloop
10    # Note: call() method on Client instance returns a Future object (and
11    # should be used as a coroutine).
12    result = yield client.call("PING")
13    if isinstance(result, tornadis.TornadisException):
14        # For specific reasons, tornadis nearly never raises any exception
15        # they are returned as result
16        print "got exception: %s" % result
17    else:
18        # result is already a python object (a string in this simple example)
19        print "Result: %s" % result
20
21
22 # Build a tornadis.Client object with some options as kwargs
23 # host: redis host to connect
24 # port: redis port to connect
25 # autoconnect=True: put the Client object in auto(re)connect mode
26 client = tornadis.Client(host="localhost", port=6379, autoconnect=True)
27
28 # Start a tornado IOLoop, execute the coroutine and end the program
29 loop = tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.instance()
30 loop.run_sync(talk_to_redis)
```



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## Second try (callbacks)

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```
1 # Let's import tornado and tornadis
2 import tornado
3 import tornadis
4
5
6 def ping_callback(result):
7     if not isinstance(result, tornadis.TornadisException):
8         # For specific reasons, tornadis nearly never raises any exception
9         # they are returned as result
10        print "got exception: %s" % result
11    else:
12        # result is already a python object (a string in this simple example)
13        print "Result: %s" % result
14
15
16 @tornado.gen.coroutine
17 def main():
18     # let's (re)connect (autoconnect mode), call the ping redis command
19     # and wait the reply without blocking the tornado ioloop
20     # Note: async_call() method on Client instance does not return anything
21     # but the callback will be called later with the result.
22     client.async_call("PING", callback=ping_callback)
23     yield tornado.gen.sleep(1)
24
25
26 # Build a tornadis.Client object with some options as kwargs
27 # host: redis host to connect
28 # port: redis port to connect
29 # autoconnect=True: put the Client object in auto(re)connect mode
30 client = tornadis.Client(host="localhost", port=6379, autoconnect=True)
31
32 # Start a tornado IOLoop, execute the coroutine and end the program
33 loop = tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.instance()
34 loop.run_sync(main)
```



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## Go further: Pipeline

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```
1 # Let's import tornado and tornadis
2 import tornado
3 import tornadis
4
5
6 @tornado.gen.coroutine
7 def pipeline_coroutine():
8     # Let's make a pipeline object to stack commands inside
9     pipeline = tornadis.Pipeline()
10    pipeline.stack_call("SET", "foo", "bar")
11    pipeline.stack_call("GET", "foo")
12
13    # At this point, nothing is sent to redis
14
15    # let's (re)connect (autoconnect mode), send the pipeline of requests
16    # (atomic mode) and wait all replies without blocking the tornado ioloop.
17    results = yield client.call(pipeline)
18
19    if isinstance(results, tornadis.TornadisException):
20        # For specific reasons, tornadis nearly never raises any exception
21        # they are returned as results
22        print "got exception: %s" % results
23    else:
24        # The two replies are in the results array
25        print results
26        # >>> ['OK', 'bar']
27
28
29    # Build a tornadis.Client object with some options as kwargs
30    # host: redis host to connect
31    # port: redis port to connect
32    # autoconnect=True: put the Client object in auto(re)connect mode
33    client = tornadis.Client(host="localhost", port=6379, autoconnect=True)
34
35    # Start a tornado IOLoop, execute the coroutine and end the program
36    loop = tornado.ioloop.IOLoop.instance()
37    loop.run_sync(pipeline_coroutine)
```



## Installation without pip

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- install `tornado >= 4.2`
- install `python wrapper for hiredis`
- install `six`
- download and uncompress a `tornadis` release
- run `python setup.py install` in the `tornadis` directory



## 7.1 Client API

```
class tornadis.Client (autoconnect=True, password=None, **connection_kwargs)
Bases: object
```

High level object to interact with redis.

### Variables

- **autoconnect** (*boolean*) – True if the client is in autoconnect mode (and in autoreconnection mode) (default True).
- **password** (*string*) – the password to authenticate with.
- **connection\_kwargs** (*dict*) – *Connection* object kwargs (note that read\_callback and close\_callback args are set automatically).

```
__init__ (autoconnect=True, password=None, **connection_kwargs)
Constructor.
```

### Parameters

- **autoconnect** (*boolean*) – True if the client is in autoconnect mode (and in autoreconnection mode) (default True).
- **password** (*string*) – the password to authenticate with.
- **\*\*connection\_kwargs** – *Connection* object kwargs.

```
async_call (*args, **kwargs)
```

Calls a redis command, waits for the reply and call a callback.

Following options are available (not part of the redis command itself):

- **callback** Function called (with the result as argument) when the result is available. If not set, the reply is silently discarded. In case of errors, the callback is called with a TornadisException object as argument.

### Parameters

- **\*args** – full redis command as variable length argument list or a Pipeline object (as a single argument).
- **\*\*kwargs** – options as keyword parameters.

## Examples

```
>>> def cb(result):
    pass
>>> client.async_call("HSET", "key", "field", "val", callback=cb)
```

### call (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Calls a redis command and returns a Future of the reply.

#### Parameters

- **\*args** – full redis command as variable length argument list or a Pipeline object (as a single argument).
- **\*\*kwargs** – internal private options (do not use).

**Returns** a Future with the decoded redis reply as result (when available) or a ConnectionError object in case of connection error.

**Raises** *ClientError* – your Pipeline object is empty.

## Examples

```
>>> @tornado.gen.coroutine
def foobar():
    client = Client()
    result = yield client.call("HSET", "key", "field", "val")
```

### connect (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Connects the client object to redis.

It's safe to use this method even if you are already connected. Note: this method is useless with autoconnect mode (default).

**Returns** a Future object with True as result if the connection was ok.

### disconnect ()

Disconnects the client object from redis.

It's safe to use this method even if you are already disconnected.

### is\_connected ()

Returns True if the client is connected to redis.

**Returns** True if the client is connected to redis.

## 7.2 PubSubClient API

**class** tornadis.PubSubClient (*autoconnect=True, password=None, \*\*connection\_kwargs*)

Bases: tornadis.client.Client

High level specific object to interact with pubsub redis.

The call() method is forbidden with this object.

More informations on the redis side: <http://redis.io/topics/publish>

**\_\_init\_\_** (*autoconnect=True, password=None, \*\*connection\_kwargs*)

Constructor.

## Parameters

- **autoconnect** (*boolean*) – True if the client is in autoconnect mode (and in autoreconnection mode) (default True).
- **password** (*string*) – the password to authenticate with.
- **\*\*connection\_kwargs** – *Connection* object kwargs.

**async\_call** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Not allowed method with PubSubClient object.

**call** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Not allowed method with PubSubClient object.

**connect** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Connects the client object to redis.

It's safe to use this method even if you are already connected. Note: this method is useless with autoconnect mode (default).

**Returns** a Future object with True as result if the connection was ok.

**disconnect** ()

Disconnects the client object from redis.

It's safe to use this method even if you are already disconnected.

**is\_connected** ()

Returns True is the client is connected to redis.

**Returns** True if the client is connected to redis.

**pubsub\_pop\_message** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Pops a message for a subscribed client.

**Parameters** **deadline** (*int*) – max number of seconds to wait (None => no timeout)

**Returns** Future with the popped message as result (or None if timeout or ConnectionError object in case of connection errors or ClientError object if you are not subscribed)

**pubsub\_psubscribe** (\*args)

Subscribes to a list of patterns.

<http://redis.io/topics/publish>

**Parameters** \*args – variable list of patterns to subscribe.

**Returns** Future with True as result if the subscribe is ok.

**Return type** Future

## Examples

```
>>> yield client.pubsub_psubscribe("channel*", "foo*")
```

**pubsub\_punsubscribe** (\*args)

Unsubscribes from a list of patterns.

<http://redis.io/topics/publish>

**Parameters** \*args – variable list of patterns to unsubscribe.

**Returns** Future with True as result if the unsubscribe is ok.

**Return type** Future

#### Examples

```
>>> yield client.pubsub_punsubscribe("channel*", "foo*")
```

**pubsub\_subscribe**(\*args)

Subscribes to a list of channels.

<http://redis.io/topics/pubsub>

**Parameters** \*args – variable list of channels to subscribe.

**Returns** Future with True as result if the subscribe is ok.

**Return type** Future

#### Examples

```
>>> yield client.pubsub_subscribe("channel1", "channel2")
```

**pubsub\_unsubscribe**(\*args)

Unsubscribes from a list of channels.

<http://redis.io/topics/pubsub>

**Parameters** \*args – variable list of channels to unsubscribe.

**Returns** Future with True as result if the unsubscribe is ok.

**Return type** Future

#### Examples

```
>>> yield client.pubsub_unsubscribe("channel1", "channel2")
```

## 7.3 Pipeline API

**class tornadis.Pipeline**

Bases: object

Pipeline class to stack redis commands.

A pipeline object is just a kind of stack. You stack complete redis commands (with their corresponding arguments) inside it.

Then, you use the call() method of a Client object to process the pipeline (which must be the only argument of this call() call).

More informations on the redis side: <http://redis.io/topics/pipelining>

#### Variables

- **pipelined\_args** – A list of tuples, each tuple is a complete redis command.
- **number\_of\_stacked\_calls** – the number of stacked redis commands (integer).

**\_\_init\_\_()**  
Constructor.

**stack\_call(\*args)**  
Stacks a redis command inside the object.

The syntax is the same than the call() method a Client class.

**Parameters** \*args – full redis command as variable length argument list.

### Examples

```
>>> pipeline = Pipeline()
>>> pipeline.stack_call("HSET", "key", "field", "value")
>>> pipeline.stack_call("PING")
>>> pipeline.stack_call("INCR", "key2")
```

## 7.4 Exceptions

**class tornadis.TornadisException**

Bases: exceptions.Exception

Base Exception class.

**class tornadis.ConnectionError**

Bases: tornadis.exceptions.TornadisException

Exception raised when there is a connection error.

**class tornadis.ClientError**

Bases: tornadis.exceptions.TornadisException

Exception raised when there is a client error.

## 7.5 Connection API

Warning: this class is not public, it appears here just to document some kwargs. Do not use directly.

```
class tornadis.Connection(read_callback, close_callback, host='127.0.0.1', port=6379,
                           unix_domain_socket=None, read_page_size=65536,
                           write_page_size=65536, connect_timeout=20, tcp_nodelay=False,
                           aggressive_write=False, ioloop=None)
```

Low level connection object.

### Variables

- **host** (string) – the host name to connect to.
- **port** (int) – the port to connect to.
- **unix\_domain\_socket** (string) – path to a unix socket to connect to (if set, overrides host/port parameters).
- **read\_page\_size** (int) – page size for reading.
- **write\_page\_size** (int) – page size for writing.
- **connect\_timeout** (int) – timeout (in seconds) for connecting.

- **tcp\_nodelay** (*boolean*) – set TCP\_NODELAY on socket.
- **aggressive\_write** (*boolean*) – try to minimize write latency over global throughput (default False).

`__init__(read_callback, close_callback, host='127.0.0.1', port=6379, unix_domain_socket=None, read_page_size=65536, write_page_size=65536, connect_timeout=20, tcp_nodelay=False, aggressive_write=False, ioloop=None)`

Constructor.

#### Parameters

- **read\_callback** – callback called when there is something to read (private, do not use from Client constructor).
- **close\_callback** – callback called when the connection is closed (private, do not use from Client constructor).
- **host** (*string*) – the host name to connect to.
- **port** (*int*) – the port to connect to.
- **unix\_domain\_socket** (*string*) – path to a unix socket to connect to (if set, overrides host/port parameters).
- **read\_page\_size** (*int*) – page size for reading.
- **write\_page\_size** (*int*) – page size for writing.
- **connect\_timeout** (*int*) – timeout (in seconds) for connecting.
- **tcp\_nodelay** (*boolean*) – set TCP\_NODELAY on socket.
- **aggressive\_write** (*boolean*) – try to minimize write latency over global throughput (default False).
- **ioloop** (*IOLoop*) – the tornado ioloop to use.

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