

# The world is your oyster

Calling REST services from ABL

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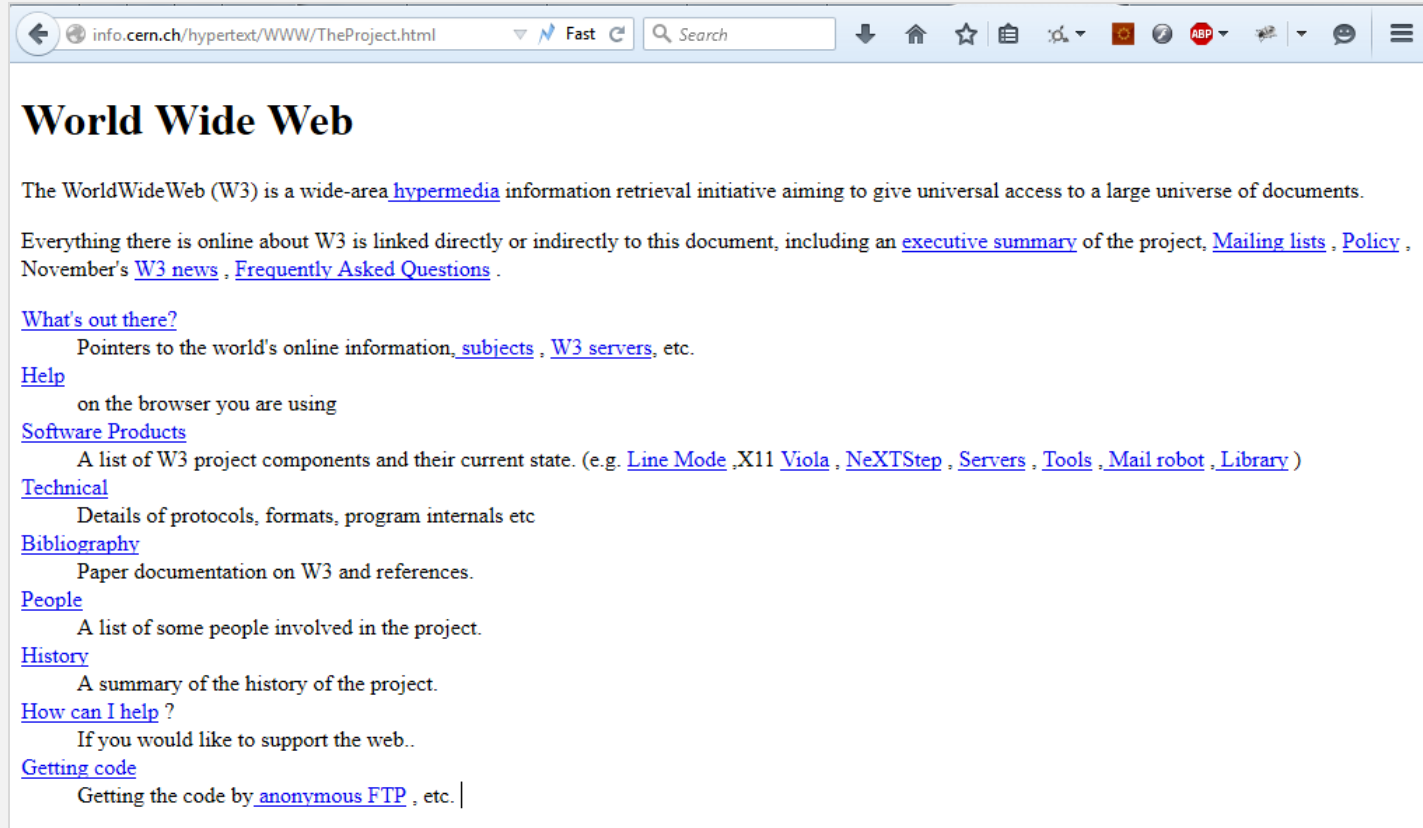
Once upon a time ...



early milestones	Key Layers of the Internet	milestones
email@-1971 Ray Tomlinson	CONTENT	1991-.html Berners-Lee & Cailliau
Archie-1990 Emtage & Deutsch	SEARCH ENGINE*	1998-Google Brin & Page
DOS Houdini-1986 Neil Larson	BROWSERS	1993-Mosaic Marc Andreessen
(Vannevar Bush, Ted Nelson, Douglas Engelbart)	WORLD WIDE WEB	1990-http:// Tim Berners-Lee
ARPANET-1969 J.C.R. Licklider	INTERNET	1975-TCP/IP Cerf & Kahn
SAGE-1956 George Valley	NETWORKS	1973-Ethernet Robert Metcalfe
Z3-1941 Konrad Zuse	COMPUTERS	1976-Apple Jobs & Wozniak

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# The very first web page (still there)



The screenshot shows a browser window with the address bar containing "info.cern.ch/hypertext/WWW/TheProject.html". The browser interface includes a search bar, navigation buttons (back, forward, home, stop), and a menu icon. The main content area features the title "World Wide Web" in a large, bold font. Below the title, the text describes the project as a wide-area hypermedia information retrieval initiative. It lists various resources available, such as an executive summary, mailing lists, policy documents, news, and frequently asked questions. The page is organized into sections with blue underlined links: "What's out there?", "Help", "Software Products", "Technical", "Bibliography", "People", "History", "How can I help?", and "Getting code". Each section provides a brief description of its content.

**World Wide Web**

The WorldWideWeb (W3) is a wide-area [hypermedia](#) information retrieval initiative aiming to give universal access to a large universe of documents.

Everything there is online about W3 is linked directly or indirectly to this document, including an [executive summary](#) of the project, [Mailing lists](#) , [Policy](#) , November's [W3 news](#) , [Frequently Asked Questions](#) .

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A list of W3 project components and their current state. (e.g. [Line Mode](#) ,X11 [Viola](#) , [NeXTStep](#) , [Servers](#) , [Tools](#) , [Mail robot](#) , [Library](#) )

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Paper documentation on W3 and references.

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A list of some people involved in the project.

[History](#)  
A summary of the history of the project.

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If you would like to support the web..

[Getting code](#)  
Getting the code by [anonymous FTP](#) , etc. |

## So. Many. RFCs.

- <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc2616>
  - And many, many, many, many friends
  - Obsoleted now by <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7230>
- These RFCs define the HTTP protocol and supporting structures
  - URIs
  - Media types
  - Authorisation schemes
  - Cookies

## Flow of HTTP



```
request = request-line ;
*(( general-header ; | request-header ; |
entity-header ) CRLF) ; CRLF
[ message-body ] ;
```

REQUEST

A thick orange arrow pointing from left to right, positioned below the code block and above the footer.

## Flow of HTTP



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REQUEST

```
POST /oemanager/applications/webtest/props HTTP/1.1 ↵
```

## Flow of HTTP



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entity-header ) CRLF) ; CRLF  
[ message-body ] ;
```

REQUEST

```
POST /oemanager/applications/webtest/props HTTP/1.1  
Authorization: Basic dG9tY2F0OnRvbWNhdA==  
Host: oelxdev06:8881  
User-Agent: OpenEdge-HttpClient/0.3.0  
Content-Length: 18
```



## Flow of HTTP

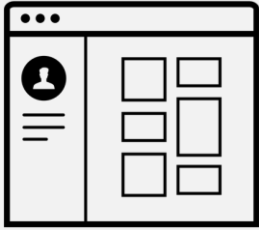


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REQUEST

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POST /oemanager/applications/webtest/props HTTP/1.1 ↵
Authorization: Basic dG9tY2F0OnRvbWNhdA==
Host: oelxdev06:8881
User-Agent: OpenEdge-HttpClient/0.3.0
Content-Length: 18 ↵
↵
{"request": "data"}
```

# Flow of HTTP



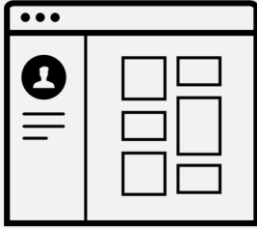
```
response = status-line ;  
*(( general-header ; | response-header ; |  
entity-header ) CRLF) ; CRLF  
[ message-body ] ;
```



**HTTP/1.1 200 OK**



# Flow of HTTP

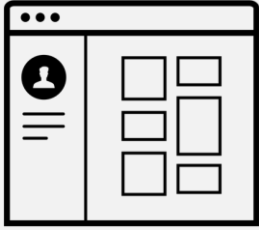


```
response = status-line ;  
*(( general-header ; | response-header ; |  
entity-header ) CRLF) ; CRLF  
[ message-body ] ;
```



```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Server: Apache-Coyote/1.1  
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 2015 18:31:29 GMT  
Content-Type: application/json  
Content-Length: 19
```

## Flow of HTTP



```
response = status-line ;  
*(( general-header ; | response-header ; |  
entity-header ) CRLF) ; CRLF  
[ message-body ] ;
```

← RESPONSE

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Server: Apache-Coyote/1.1  
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 2015 18:31:29 GMT  
Content-Type: application/json  
Content-Length: 19
```

```
←  
{ "result": "data" }
```

# JSON



## JSON – <http://json.org>

```
{ "result":
  { "applications": ["webtest", "abltest"],
    "numInitialAgents": "1",
    "collectMetrics": "1",
    "agentExecFile": "/usr1/dlc/bin/_mproapsv",
    "maxAgents": "10",
    "agentStartupParam": "-T /usr1/wrk/webtest/temp",
    "maxABLSessionsPerAgent": "200",
  },
  "outcome": "SUCCESS",
  "errmsg": "",
  "versionStr": "PASOE 11.5.0",
  "versionNo": 1,
  "operation": "GET BROKER PROPERTIES"
}
```

# What is REST?

- REST is an architecture style for designing networked applications
- **Client-Server**: pull- or request-based
- **Stateless**: each request must contain all information necessary to understand the request
- **Cacheable**
- **Uniform interface**: all resources accessed via generic interface (GET/PUT/POST/DELETE)
- **Named resources**: resources are named using a URL
- **Interconnected resource representations**: the representations of the resources are interconnected using URLs
- **Layered components** : intermediaries can be inserted between clients and resources to support performance, security, etc.

<http://rest.elkstein.org/2008/02/what-is-rest.html> and <http://www.xfront.com/REST-Web-Services.html>

# What is REST?

- Practically, JSON payloads to and fro over HTTP, using a particular style of URL
- JSON content types
  - `application/json`
  - `application/vnd.[vendor]+json`
- Response contains URLs to other resources



REST Example: request

**GET /users/nwahmaet** HTTP/1.1

Host: api.github.com

**Accept:** application/vnd.github.v3+json

User-Agent: OpenEdge-HttpClient/0.3.0

## REST Example: response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

**Cache-Control:** public, max-age=60, s-maxage=60

**Content-Encoding:** gzip

**Content-Type:** application/json; charset=utf-8

Server: GitHub.com

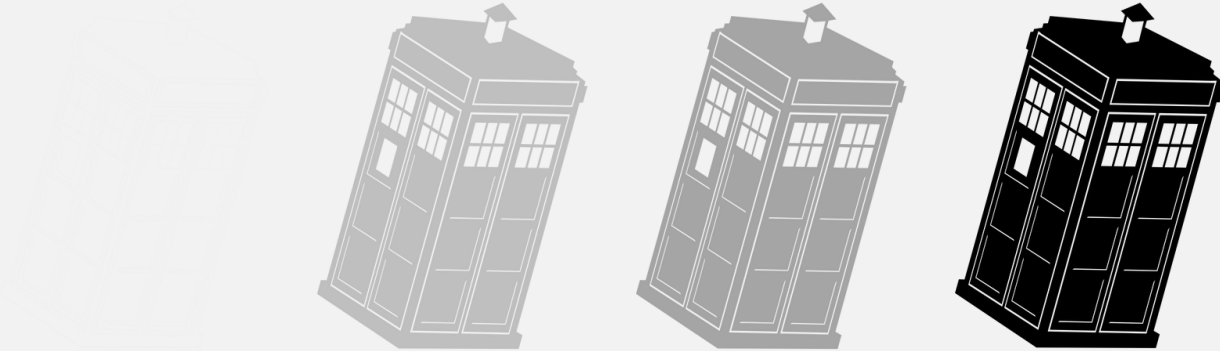
```
{ "login": "nwahmaet",  
  "id": 2736095,  
  "url": "https://api.github.com/users/nwahmaet",  
  "html_url": "https://github.com/nwahmaet",  
  "repos_url": "https://api.github.com/users/nwahmaet/repos",  
  "type": "User",  
  "hireable": true,  
  "created_at": "2012-11-06T15:35:09Z",  
  "updated_at": "2015-03-04T20:44:24Z"  
}
```

Cool! How do I do that in ABL?

Client socket support (v9.1A)

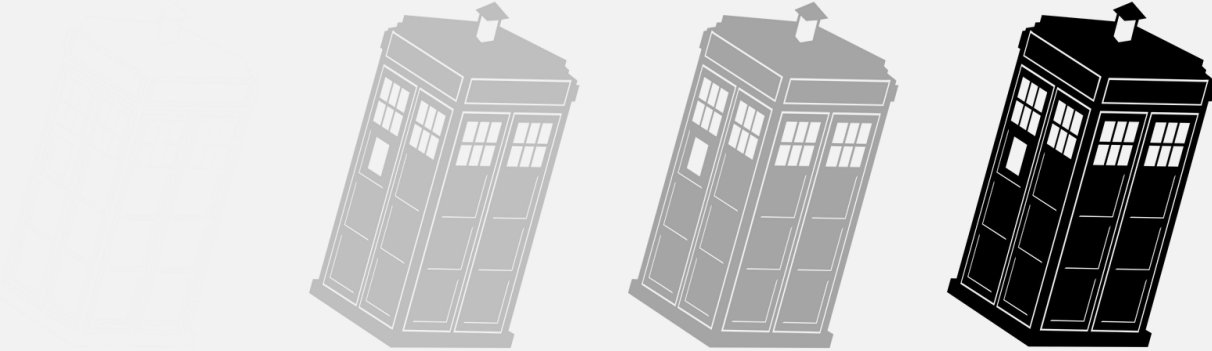
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Client socket support (v9.1A)



**OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.\* (11.5.1)**

## OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.\*

- A class library that provides support for HTTP(S)
  - Designed for API use
  - HttpClient, URI, HttpHeaders, Cookie, HttpRequest, HttpResponse
  - Supports much of HTTP 1.1 spec
- Simple, extensible programming interface
- Platform-portable (built on ABL sockets)
  
- Foundational tech for Mobile Push Notifications in 11.4.0
- Formally QA'd, supported in 11.5.1

# Using OpenEdge.Net.HTTP

1. Create Client
2. Create URI
3. Create Request
4. Execute Request
5. Process Response
6. Profit

```
using OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.*.  
def var oClient as IHttpClient.  
def var oRequest as IHttpRequest.  
def var oResponse as IHttpResponse.  
  
oClient = ClientBuilder:Build():Client.  
  
oRequest = RequestBuilder  
           :Get('https://www.progress.com')  
           :Request.  
  
oResponse = oClient:Execute(oRequest).  
  
message  
    oResponse:StatusCode skip  
    oResponse:StatusReason skip  
view-as alert-box.
```

## Basic operations

- Supports most HTTP methods  
GET, PUT, POST, DELETE, HEAD, TRACE, OPTIONS
- Payload/message body
  - In Object form in the Entity property
  - Built-in support for JSON, XML, binary, HTML/text, form data (name/value pairs)
- Cookies supported
- No restrictions on content type



## Basic operations, cont'd

- Support for proxies per client or per request
- Redirects for
  - 301/Moved Permanently
  - 302/Found
- Transfer-encodings
  - Support for chunked responses
  - zip/deflate not supported
- Streaming not supported
- Not a rendering engine / UI

## Creating a client

```
interface OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.IHttpClient:
  /** Free-text name & semantic version */
  def public property ClientName as char no-undo get.
  def public property ClientVersion as char no-undo get.

  /** Miscellaneous options (like timeouts) */
  def public property Options as ClientOptions no-undo get.

  /** Executes an HTTP request. */
  method public IHttpResponse Execute (poRequest as IHttpRequest).

  method public void Execute (poRequest as IHttpRequest,
                              poResponse as IHttpResponse).
end interface.
```

## Creating a client

```
def var oHttpClient as OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.IHttpClient.
```

```
oHttpClient = ClientBuilder:Build()  
  :Named(<char>, <char>)  
  :UsingLibrary(<IHttpClientLibrary>)  
  /* define client behaviour */  
  :ViaProxy(<URI>)  
  :KeepCookies(<ICookieJar>)  
  /* options */  
  :SetRequestTimeout(<dec>)  
  :SetRetryPause (<dec>)  
  :SetNumRetries (<int>)  
  /* return a usable IHttpClient instance */  
  :Client.
```

## URI (Uniform Resource Identifier)

<http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3986>

```
<scheme>://<username>:<password>@<host>:<port>  
/<path>;<parameters>?<query>#<fragment>
```

```
http://nbbedpjudge1:8980/  
VehicleOrderSvc/rest/VehicleOrder/BrandData  
?filter={"brandName":"fjord"}
```

### Special characters

Reserved	; / ? : @ & = + \$ ,
Unreserved	- _ . ! ~ * ' ( )
Unwise	{ }   \ ^ [ ] `
Excluded	< > # % "

<http://www.skorks.com/2010/05/what-every-developer-should-know-about-urls/>

Create a URI

```
def var oURI as OpenEdge.Net.URI.  
oURI = URI:Parse(  
    http://nbbedpjudge1:8980/VehicleOrderSvc/rest  
    /VehicleOrder/BrandData  
    ?filter={"brandName":"fjord"}).  
    /* ----- OR ----- */  
oURI = new URI('http', 'nbbedpjudge1', 8980).  
oURI:Path =  
    'VehicleOrderSvc/rest/VehicleOrder/BrandData'.  
oURI:AddQuery('filter', '{"brandName":"fjord"}').
```

## Creating a request

```
define variable oRequest as OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.IHttpRequest no-undo.
oRequest = RequestBuilder:Build('GET', 'http://www.progress.com')
    :AcceptContentType(<char>)
        | AcceptAll | ~FormData | ~Html | ~Json | ~Xml
    :AddHeader(<HTTPHeader>)
    /* message body */
    :WithData(<Progress.Lang.Object>)
        | AddFormData(<data>) | AddJsonData(<JsonObject>)
    :ContentType(<char>)
    /* authentication */
    :AuthCallback(<callback object> | <callback procedure>)
    :UsingBasicAuthentication(<Credentials>)
        | UsingDigestAuthentication(<Credentials>)
        | UsingCredentials(<Credentials>)
    /* proxy this request */
    :ViaProxy(<url>)
    :WithTransferEncoding(<encoding>)
/* a usable IHttpRequest instance */
:Request.
```

## Creating a request

```
create x-document hXmlDoc.  
hXmlDoc:load('file', 'soap.xml', no).  
oXmlDoc = new WidgetHandle(hXmlDoc).  
  
oPostURI =  
  URI:Parse('http://httpbin.org/post').  
  
oRequest = RequestBuilder  
  :Post(oPostURI, oXmlDoc)  
  :AcceptJson()  
  :Request.
```

## Creating a request

```
copy-lob from file 'document.pdf' to mDocument.
```

```
oInputEntity = new Memptr(  
    get-pointer-value(mDocument),  
    get-size(mDocument)).
```

```
oRequest = RequestBuilder  
    :Post('http://httpbin.org/post',  
        oInputEntity)  
    :ContentType('application/pdf')  
    :AcceptJson()  
    :Request.
```



Request executes

```
oResponse = moHttpClient:Execute(oRequest).
```



## Processing a response

```
if oResponse:StatusCode <> 200 then
    return error
        'Request error: ' + string(oResponse:StatusCode).
if not valid-object(oResponse:Entity) then
    return error 'Expected valid entity'.

if oResponse:ContentType = 'application/json' then
    cast(oResponse:Entity, JsonObject):WriteFile('data.json').

else
    return error 'Unexpected content type: ' +
        oResponse:ContentType.
```

# Response status codes

- Status code for machines; reason for humans
- Success
  - 200 (**OK**): it worked, and we have a payload returned
  - 201 (**Created**): everything works well and an element was created
  - 204 (**No content**): it worked, and there's no response payload
- Failure
  - 400 (**Bad Request**): the most generic one telling that the request sent isn't correct
  - 401 (**Unauthorized**): this occurs when we aren't authenticated
  - 404 (**Not Found**): when trying to access a resource that doesn't exist
  - 500 (**Internal Server Error**): something wrong within the server side processing when trying to execute the request

## Some important headers

- Content-Type
- Content-Length
- Content-Encoding
- Transfer-Encoding
- Accept
- Set-Cookie
- Cookie
- Authorization
- WWW-Authenticate
- Host
- Location

Request  
Response

# Authentication

- Library supports pre-emptive or interactive
  - Support for 401/Unauthorized
- Provide credentials to request, or via callback to procedures & classes
- Requests implement `IAuthenticatedRequest`
- Credentials never persisted
- Customisable authentication schemes
  - Basic, Digest provided

## Authentication

```
oUri = URI:Parse( 'http://oelxdev06:8881/oemanager/').
oCredentials =
    new Credentials('admin', 'tomcat', 'tomcat').
/* completely pre-emptive: credentials added immediately */
oReq = RequestBuilder:Get(oURI)
    :UsingBasicAuthentication(oCredentials)
    :Request.

```

```
/* partly pre-emptive: credentials added after negotiation */
oReq = RequestBuilder:Get(oURI)
    :UsingCredentials(oCredentials)
    :Request.
```

# Authentication

```
/* completely interactive: credentials added after callback returns */
oReq = RequestBuilder:Get('http://oelxdev06:8881/oemanager/')
      :AuthCallback(new MyAuthCallback())
      :Request.

class MyAuthCallback implements IAuthFilterEventHandler:
  method public void AuthFilter_HttpCredentialRequestHandler(
    input poSender as Object,
    input poEventArgs as AuthenticationRequestEventArgs ):

    /* get values from some UI here */
    poEventArgs:Credentials = new Credentials('domain', 'user', 'pw').

  end method.
end class.
```

## Authentication


```
oReq = RequestBuilder:Get('http://oelxdev06:8881/oemanager/')  
    :AuthCallback(this-procedure)  
    :Request.
```

```
procedure AuthFilter_HttpCredentialRequestHandler:  
    def input param poSender as Object.  
    def input param poEventArgs as AuthenticationRequestEventArgs.  
    /* get values from some UI here */  
    poEventArgs:Credentials =  
        new Credentials('domain', 'user', 'pw').  
end procedure.
```



# Cookies

- Stateful client manages cookies via a CookieJar
  - Normal client is stateless (ie no cookie cache)
- Requests & responses support cookies regardless of client
  - Cookies are transported via `Set-Cookie` and `Cookie` headers

```
Set-Cookie: JSESSIONID=<value>.webtest; Version=1;   
Path="/oemanager/"; HttpOnly"
```

```
Cookie: JSESSIONID=<value>.webtest 
```

# Cookies

```
define variable iNumCookies as integer no-undo.  
define variable oCookies as Cookie extent no-undo.
```

```
oClient = ClientBuilder:Build()  
          :KeepCookies(CookieJarBuilder:Build():CookieJar)  
          :Client.  
oRequest = RequestBuilder:Get('http://oelxdev06:8881/oemanager/')  
          :Request.
```

```
oResponse = oClient:Execute(oRequest).  
iNumCookies = oResponse:GetCookies(output oCookies).
```

```
/* iNumCookies = 2  
JSESSIONIDSSO=71DEF599DE7CE03DD3ACEDE69D0A6FE1; Version=1; Path="/"; HttpOnly  
  
JSESSIONID=7A304344764B5E83E52F58F9CA489F6C4D33DE2F11AA.webtest; Version=1;  
Path="/oemanager/"; HttpOnly" */
```

# Cookies

```
define variable iNumCookies as integer no-undo.
define variable oCookies as Cookie extent no-undo.

/* Continued from earlier */
iNumCookies = cast(oClient, ISupportCookies)
               :CookieJar
               :GetCookies(input oRequest:URL, output oCookies).
/* iNumCookies = 2 */

oResponse = oClient:Execute(oRequest).

/* REQUEST HEADERS
Cookie: JSESSIONIDSSO=71DEF599DE7CE03DD3ACEDE69D0A6FE1;

JSESSIONID=7A304344764B5E83E52F58F9CA489F6C4D33DE2F11AA.webtest;
*/
```

# Cookies

```
interface OpenEdge.Net.HTTP.ICookieJar:
  /** The location in which cookies are persisted */
  define public property CookieJarPath as character no-undo get. set.

  /** Returns the cookies germane to the specified URI. */
  method public integer GetCookies(input poUri as URI,
                                   output poCookies as Cookie extent).

  /** Adds a cookie to the jar, for a given domain/path. */
  method public void AddCookie(input pcDomain as character,
                               input pcPath as character,
                               input poCookie as Cookie).

  method public logical RemoveCookie(input poCookie as Cookie).

  /** Removes all session (non-persistent) cookies from the jar */
  method public void ClearSessionCookies().

  /** Clears all persistent cookies */
  method public void ClearPersistentCookies().
end interface.
```

# Extensibility

- Builder pattern
  - HttpClient, HttpClientLibrary
  - HttpRequest, HttpResponse, HttpHeaders
  - Registries for individual builders
- Filters
  - Status
  - Authentication
  - Payload / content types
  - Headers
- Client library
  - SSL and socket options

## Extensibility: content type

- Add new handler

```
My.App.DocXBodyResponseFilter
```

- Register handler with the builder

```
ContentTypeResponseWriterBuilder:Registry  
    :Put('application/vnd.openxmlformats-  
officedocument.wordprocessingml.document',  
        get-class(DocXBodyResponseFilter))
```

- Run as normal

## Extensibility: content type

```
class DocXBodyResponseFilter implements IHttpMessageWriter:
  define public property Message as IHttpMessage no-undo get.
    private set.
  constructor public DocXBodyResponseFilter(
    input poMessage as IHttpResponse).

  method public void Write( input pData as memptr):
    define variable hDocument as handle no-undo.
    create x-document hDocument.
    hDocument:load('memptr':u, pData, false).

    this-object:Message:Entity = new WidgetHandle(hDocument).
  end method.
end class.
```

## Extensibility: authentication scheme

- Add new handler

```
App.Auth.OAuth2AuthenticationFilter
```

- Register handler with the builder

```
AuthenticationRequestWriterBuilder:Registry  
  :Put('oauth',  
       get-class(OAuth2AuthenticationFilter))
```

- Run as normal



## Extensibility: authentication scheme

```
class OAuth2AuthenticationFilter inherits AuthenticationRequestFilter:
  method override protected void AddAuthentication():
    /* credentials retrieved from request or callback */
    assign oCredentials = GetCredentials(cRealm).

    if not valid-object(oCredentials) then
      return error new AppError('Missing credentials for realm', 0).

    assign cCredentials = <built to what OAuth expects>

    /* add to the request */
    oRequest:SetHeader(HTTPHeaderBuilder:Build('Authorization')
                      :Value(cCredentials)
                      :Header).

  end method.
end class.
```

## Debugging

`session:debug-alert = true`

- `request-raw.txt`
  - `response-data-received.txt`
- } in `session:temp-dir`

`log-manager:logfile-name = 'log.log'`

- Writes predefined SOCKET and COOKIES messages out

```
[<timestamp>] P-010592 T-008504 1 4GL -- Logging level set to = 1
[<timestamp>] P-010592 T-008504 1 4GL SOCKET          CONNECT: TIME=547
[<timestamp>] P-010592 T-008504 1 4GL SOCKET          WRITE: TIME=0; SIZE=160
[<timestamp>] P-010592 T-008504 1 4GL SOCKET          READ: TIME=0; SIZE=489
[<timestamp>] P-010592 T-008504 1 4GL SOCKET          TOTAL READ: TIME=70
```

## Yes, but what is it for?

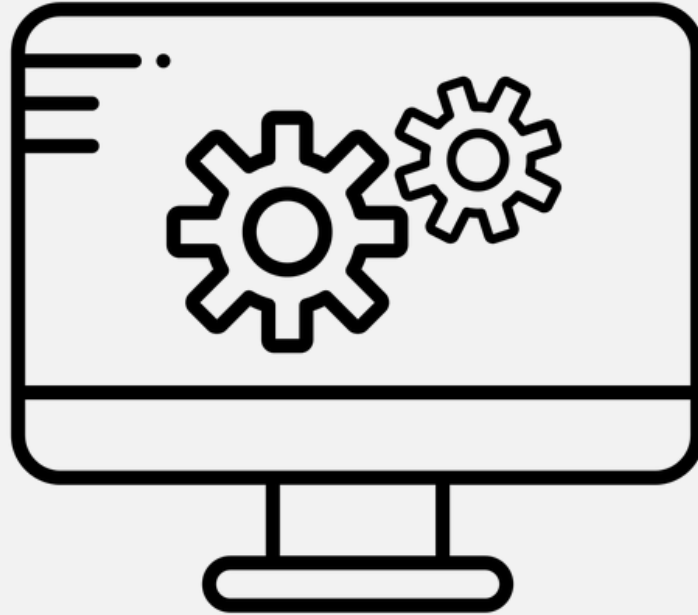
- PAS/OE management
- Great for QA of REST & other services
- Messaging services
- Push notification services
- Varied 3<sup>rd</sup>-party services
  - SharePoint, Salesforce, Concur
  - US Gov't, NPR, Marvel Comics Developer Portal
- Anything, really

<https://developer.concur.com/docs-and-resources/documentation>

<http://www.usa.gov/About/developer-resources/federal-agency-directory/interactivedoc.shtml>

<http://developer.marvel.com/docs#!/public/>

Demo



# Q&A



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