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### 1.1 Introduction

GQL 3 is a [GraphQL](#) Client for Python 3.6+ which plays nicely with other graphql implementations compatible with the spec.

Under the hood, it uses [GraphQL-core](#) which is a Python port of [GraphQL.js](#), the JavaScript reference implementation for GraphQL.

#### 1.1.1 Installation

You can install GQL 3 using `pip`:

```
pip install --pre gql
```

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After installation, you can start using GQL by importing from the top-level `gql` package.

#### 1.1.2 Reporting Issues and Contributing

Please visit the [GitHub repository](#) for `gql` if you’re interested in the current development or want to report issues or send pull requests.

We welcome all kinds of contributions if the coding guidelines are respected. Please check the [Contributing](#) file to learn how to make a good pull request.

### 1.2 Usage

#### 1.2.1 Basic usage

In order to execute a GraphQL request against a GraphQL API:

- create your `gql transport` in order to choose the destination url and the protocol used to communicate with it
- create a `gql Client` with the selected transport

- parse a query using *gql*
- execute the query on the client to get the result

```
from gql import gql, Client, AIOHTTPTransport

# Select your transport with a defined url endpoint
transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url="https://countries.trevorblades.com/")

# Create a GraphQL client using the defined transport
client = Client(transport=transport, fetch_schema_from_transport=True)

# Provide a GraphQL query
query = gql(
    """
    query getContinents {
      continents {
        code
        name
      }
    }
    """
)

# Execute the query on the transport
result = client.execute(query)
print(result)
```

**Warning:** Please note that this basic example won't work if you have an `asyncio` event loop running. In some python environments (as with Jupyter which uses IPython) an `asyncio` event loop is created for you. In that case you should use instead the *Async Usage example*.

## 1.2.2 Schema validation

If a GraphQL schema is provided, *gql* will validate the queries locally before sending them to the backend. If no schema is provided, *gql* will send the query to the backend without local validation.

You can either provide a schema yourself, or you can request *gql* to get the schema from the backend using *introspection*.

### Using a provided schema

The schema can be provided as a String (which is usually stored in a `.graphql` file):

```
with open('path/to/schema.graphql') as f:
    schema_str = f.read()

client = Client(schema=schema_str)
```

OR can be created using python classes:

```
from .someSchema import SampleSchema
# SampleSchema is an instance of GraphQLSchema
```

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```
client = Client(schema=SampleSchema)
```

See `tests/starwars/schema.py` for an example of such a schema.

## Using introspection

In order to get the schema directly from the GraphQL Server API using the transport, you need to set the `fetch_schema_from_transport` argument of `Client` to `True`, and the client will fetch the schema before the execution of the first query.

### 1.2.3 Subscriptions

Using the *websockets transport*, it is possible to execute GraphQL subscriptions:

```
from gql import gql, Client, WebsocketsTransport

transport = WebsocketsTransport(url='wss://your_server/graphql')

client = Client(
    transport=transport,
    fetch_schema_from_transport=True,
)

query = gql('''
    subscription yourSubscription {
        ...
    }
''')

for result in client.subscribe(query):
    print(result)
```

**Note:** The websockets transport can also execute queries or mutations, it is not restricted to subscriptions

### 1.2.4 Using variables

It is possible to provide variable values with your query by providing a Dict to the `variable_values` argument of the `execute` or the `subscribe` methods.

The variable values will be sent alongside the query in the transport message (there is no local substitution).

```
query = gql(
    """
    query getContinentName ($code: ID!) {
        continent (code: $code) {
            name
        }
    }
    """
)
```

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```
params = {"code": "EU"}

# Get name of continent with code "EU"
result = client.execute(query, variable_values=params)
print(result)

params = {"code": "AF"}

# Get name of continent with code "AF"
result = client.execute(query, variable_values=params)
print(result)
```

## 1.2.5 HTTP Headers

If you want to add additional http headers for your connection, you can specify these in your transport:

```
transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url='YOUR_URL', headers={'Authorization': 'token'})
```

## 1.2.6 File uploads

GQL supports file uploads with the *aiohttp transport* using the GraphQL multipart request spec.

### Single File

In order to upload a single file, you need to:

- set the file as a variable value in the mutation
- provide the opened file to the *variable\_values* argument of *execute*
- set the *upload\_files* argument to True

```
transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url='YOUR_URL')

client = Client(transport=sample_transport)

query = gql('''
    mutation($file: Upload!) {
      singleUpload(file: $file) {
        id
      }
    }
''')

with open("YOUR_FILE_PATH", "rb") as f:

    params = {"file": f}

    result = client.execute(
        query, variable_values=params, upload_files=True
    )
```

## File list

It is also possible to upload multiple files using a list.

```
transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url='YOUR_URL')

client = Client(transport=sample_transport)

query = gql('''
    mutation($files: [Upload!]) {
      multipleUpload(files: $files) {
        id
      }
    }
  ''')

f1 = open("YOUR_FILE_PATH_1", "rb")
f2 = open("YOUR_FILE_PATH_1", "rb")

params = {"files": [f1, f2]}

result = client.execute(
    query, variable_values=params, upload_files=True
)

f1.close()
f2.close()
```

## 1.3 Async vs Sync

On previous versions of GQL, the code was *sync* only, it means that when you ran *execute* on the Client, you could do nothing else in the current Thread and had to wait for an answer or a timeout from the backend to continue. The only http library was *requests*, allowing only sync usage.

From the version 3 of GQL, we support *sync* and *async transports* using *asyncio*.

With the *async transports*, there is now the possibility to execute GraphQL requests asynchronously, *allowing to execute multiple requests in parallel if needed*.

If you don't care or need async functionality, it is still possible, with *async transports*, to run the *execute* or *subscribe* methods directly from the Client (as described in the *Basic Usage* example) and GQL will execute the request in a synchronous manner by running an *asyncio* event loop itself.

This won't work though if you already have an *asyncio* event loop running. In that case you should use *Async Usage*

### 1.3.1 Async Usage

If you use an *async transport*, you can use GQL asynchronously using *asyncio*.

- put your code in an *asyncio* coroutine (method starting with `async def`)
- use `async with client as session:` to connect to the backend and provide a session instance
- use the `await` keyword to execute requests: `await session.execute(...)`
- then run your coroutine in an *asyncio* event loop by running `asyncio.run`

Example:

```
from gql import gql, AIOHTTPTransport, Client
import asyncio

async def main():

    transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url='https://countries.trevorblades.com/graphql')

    # Using `async with` on the client will start a connection on the transport
    # and provide a `session` variable to execute queries on this connection
    async with Client(
        transport=transport,
        fetch_schema_from_transport=True,
    ) as session:

        # Execute single query
        query = gql('''
            query getContinents {
              continents {
                code
                name
              }
            }
        ''')

        result = await session.execute(query)
        print(result)

asyncio.run(main())
```

## 1.4 Transports

GQL Transports are used to define how the connection is made with the backend. We have different transports for different underlying protocols (http, websockets, ...)

### 1.4.1 Async Transports

Async transports are transports which are using an underlying async library. They allow us to *run GraphQL queries asynchronously*

#### AIOHTTPTransport

This transport uses the [aiohttp](#) library and allows you to send GraphQL queries using the HTTP protocol.

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**Note:** GraphQL subscriptions are not supported on the HTTP transport. For subscriptions you should use the *websockets transport*.

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```
from gql import gql, AIOHTTPTransport, Client
import asyncio
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```

async def main():

    transport = AIOHTTPTransport(url='https://countries.trevorblades.com/graphql')

    # Using `async with` on the client will start a connection on the transport
    # and provide a `session` variable to execute queries on this connection
    async with Client(
        transport=transport,
        fetch_schema_from_transport=True,
    ) as session:

        # Execute single query
        query = gql('''
            query getContinents {
                continents {
                    code
                    name
                }
            }
        ''')

        result = await session.execute(query)
        print(result)

    asyncio.run(main())

```

## WebsocketsTransport

The websockets transport implements the [Apollo websockets transport protocol](#).

This transport allows to do multiple queries, mutations and subscriptions on the same websocket connection.

```

import logging
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)

from gql import gql, Client, WebsocketsTransport
import asyncio

async def main():

    transport = WebsocketsTransport(url='wss://countries.trevorblades.com/graphql')

    # Using `async with` on the client will start a connection on the transport
    # and provide a `session` variable to execute queries on this connection
    async with Client(
        transport=sample_transport,
        fetch_schema_from_transport=True,
    ) as session:

        # Execute single query
        query = gql('''
            query getContinents {
                continents {
                    code
                    name
                }
            }
        ''')

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```
        }
    }
    '''
    result = await session.execute(query)
    print(result)

    # Request subscription
    subscription = gql('''
        subscription {
            somethingChanged {
                id
            }
        }
    ''')
    async for result in session.subscribe(subscription):
        print(result)

asyncio.run(main())
```

## Websockets SSL

If you need to connect to an ssl encrypted endpoint:

- use `_wss_` instead of `_ws_` in the url of the transport

```
sample_transport = WebsocketsTransport(
    url='wss://SERVER_URL:SERVER_PORT/graphql',
    headers={'Authorization': 'token'}
)
```

If you have a self-signed ssl certificate, you need to provide an `ssl_context` with the server public certificate:

```
import pathlib
import ssl

ssl_context = ssl.SSLContext(ssl.PROTOCOL_TLS_CLIENT)
localhost_pem = pathlib.Path(__file__).with_name("YOUR_SERVER_PUBLIC_CERTIFICATE.pem")
ssl_context.load_verify_locations(localhost_pem)

sample_transport = WebsocketsTransport(
    url='wss://SERVER_URL:SERVER_PORT/graphql',
    ssl=ssl_context
)
```

If you have also need to have a client ssl certificate, add:

```
ssl_context.load_cert_chain(certfile='YOUR_CLIENT_CERTIFICATE.pem', keyfile='YOUR_
↳CLIENT_CERTIFICATE_KEY.key')
```

## Websockets authentication

There are two ways to send authentication tokens with websockets depending on the server configuration.

### 1. Using HTTP Headers

```
sample_transport = WebsocketsTransport(
    url='wss://SERVER_URL:SERVER_PORT/graphql',
    headers={'Authorization': 'token'}
)
```

### 2. With a payload in the connection\_init websocket message

```
sample_transport = WebsocketsTransport(
    url='wss://SERVER_URL:SERVER_PORT/graphql',
    init_payload={'Authorization': 'token'}
)
```

## PhoenixChannelWebsocketsTransport

The PhoenixChannelWebsocketsTransport is an **EXPERIMENTAL** async transport which allows you to execute queries and subscriptions against an [Absinthe](#) backend using the [Phoenix](#) framework [channels](#).

## 1.4.2 Sync Transports

Sync transports are transports which are using an underlying sync library. They cannot be used asynchronously.

### RequestsHTTPTransport

The RequestsHTTPTransport is a sync transport using the [requests](#) library and allows you to send GraphQL queries using the HTTP protocol.

```
from gql import gql, Client
from gql.transport.requests import RequestsHTTPTransport

sample_transport=RequestsHTTPTransport(
    url='https://countries.trevorblades.com/',
    verify=True,
    retries=3,
)

client = Client(
    transport=sample_transport,
    fetch_schema_from_transport=True,
)

query = gql('''
    query getContinents {
      continents {
        code
        name
      }
    }
''')
```

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```
result = client.execute(query)
print(result)
```

## 1.5 Advanced

### 1.5.1 Async advanced usage

It is possible to send multiple GraphQL queries (query, mutation or subscription) in parallel, on the same websocket connection, using asyncio tasks.

In order to retry in case of connection failure, we can use the great [backoff](#) module.

```
# First define all your queries using a session argument:

async def execute_query1(session):
    result = await session.execute(query1)
    print(result)

async def execute_query2(session):
    result = await session.execute(query2)
    print(result)

async def execute_subscription1(session):
    async for result in session.subscribe(subscription1):
        print(result)

async def execute_subscription2(session):
    async for result in session.subscribe(subscription2):
        print(result)

# Then create a coroutine which will connect to your API and run all your queries as
↳ tasks.
# We use a `backoff` decorator to reconnect using exponential backoff in case of
↳ connection failure.

@backoff.on_exception(backoff.expo, Exception, max_time=300)
async def graphql_connection():

    transport = WebsocketsTransport(url="wss://YOUR_URL")

    client = Client(transport=transport, fetch_schema_from_transport=True)

    async with client as session:
        task1 = asyncio.create_task(execute_query1(session))
        task2 = asyncio.create_task(execute_query2(session))
        task3 = asyncio.create_task(execute_subscription1(session))
        task4 = asyncio.create_task(execute_subscription2(session))

        await asyncio.gather(task1, task2, task3, task4)

asyncio.run(graphql_connection())
```

Subscriptions tasks can be stopped at any time by running



```
task.cancel()
```

## 1.5.2 Execution on a local schema

It is also possible to execute queries against a local schema (so without a transport), even if it is not really useful except maybe for testing.

```
from gql import gql, Client

from .someSchema import SampleSchema

client = Client(schema=SampleSchema)

query = gql('''
    {
        hello
    }
''')

result = client.execute(query)
```

See `tests/starwars/test_query.py` for an example

## 1.5.3 Compose queries dynamically

Instead of providing the GraphQL queries as a Python String, it is also possible to create GraphQL queries dynamically. Using the DSL module, we can create a query using a Domain Specific Language which is created from the schema.

```
from gql.dsl import DSLSchema

client = Client(schema=StarWarsSchema)
ds = DSLSchema(client)

query_dsl = ds.Query.hero.select(
    ds.Character.id,
    ds.Character.name,
    ds.Character.friends.select(ds.Character.name, ),
)
```

will create a query equivalent to:

```
hero {
  id
  name
  friends {
    name
  }
}
```

**Warning:** Please note that the DSL module is still considered experimental in GQL 3 and is subject to changes

## 1.6 gql-cli

GQL provides a python 3.6+ script, called *gql-cli* which allows you to execute GraphQL queries directly from the terminal.

This script supports http(s) or websockets protocols.

### 1.6.1 Usage

Send GraphQL queries from the command line using http(s) or websockets. If used interactively, write your query, then use Ctrl-D (EOF) to execute it.

```
usage: gql-cli [-h] [-V [VARIABLES [VARIABLES ...]]]
               [-H [HEADERS [HEADERS ...]]] [--version] [-d | -v]
               [-o OPERATION_NAME]
               server
```

#### Positional Arguments

<b>server</b>	the server url starting with <a href="#">http://</a> , <a href="#">https://</a> , <a href="#">ws://</a> or <a href="#">wss://</a>
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#### Named Arguments

<b>-V, --variables</b>	query variables in the form key:json_value
<b>-H, --headers</b>	http headers in the form key:value
<b>--version</b>	show program's version number and exit
<b>-d, --debug</b>	print lots of debugging statements (loglevel==DEBUG)
<b>-v, --verbose</b>	show low level messages (loglevel==INFO)
<b>-o, --operation-name</b>	set the operation_name value

### 1.6.2 Examples

#### Simple query using https

```
$ echo 'query { continent(code:"AF") { name } }' | gql-cli https://countries.
→trevorblades.com
{"continent": {"name": "Africa"}}
```

## Simple query using websockets

```
$ echo 'query { continent(code:"AF") { name } }' | gql-cli wss://countries.
→trevorblades.com/graphql
{"continent": {"name": "Africa"}}
```

## Query with variable

```
$ echo 'query getContinent($code:ID!) { continent(code:$code) { name } }' | gql-cli
→https://countries.trevorblades.com --variables code:AF
{"continent": {"name": "Africa"}}
```

## Interactive usage

Insert your query in the terminal, then press Ctrl-D to execute it.

```
$ gql-cli wss://countries.trevorblades.com/graphql --variables code:AF
```

## Execute query saved in a file

Put the query in a file:

```
$ echo 'query {
  continent(code:"AF") {
    name
  }
}' > query.gql
```

Then execute query from the file:

```
$ cat query.gql | gql-cli wss://countries.trevorblades.com/graphql
{"continent": {"name": "Africa"}}
```

# 1.7 Reference

## 1.7.1 Top-Level Functions

The primary *gql* package includes everything you need to execute GraphQL requests:

- the *gql* method to parse a GraphQL query
- the *Client* class as the entrypoint to execute requests and create sessions
- all the transports classes implementing different communication protocols

```
class gql.AIOHTTPTransport (url: str, headers: Optional[Union[Mapping[Union[str, multidict._ multidict.istr], str], multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDict, multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDictProxy]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Iterable[Tuple[str, BaseCookie[str]]], Mapping[str, BaseCookie[str]], BaseCookie[str]]] = None, auth: Optional[aiohttp.helpers.BasicAuth] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool, aiohttp.client_reqrep.Fingerprint] = False, timeout: Optional[int] = None, client_session_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None)
```

Bases: `gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport`

*Async Transport* to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers with an HTTP connection.

This transport use the aiohttp library with asyncio.

```
__init__(url: str, headers: Optional[Union[Mapping[Union[str, multidict._ multidict.istr], str], multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDict, multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDictProxy]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Iterable[Tuple[str, BaseCookie[str]]], Mapping[str, BaseCookie[str]], BaseCookie[str]]] = None, auth: Optional[aiohttp.helpers.BasicAuth] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool, aiohttp.client_reqrep.Fingerprint] = False, timeout: Optional[int] = None, client_session_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None) → None
```

Initialize the transport with the given aiohttp parameters.

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL. Example: `'https://server.com:PORT/path'`.
- **headers** – Dict of HTTP Headers.
- **cookies** – Dict of HTTP cookies.
- **auth** – BasicAuth object to enable Basic HTTP auth if needed
- **ssl** – ssl\_context of the connection. Use ssl=False to disable encryption
- **client\_session\_args** – Dict of extra args passed to `aiohttp.ClientSession`

**async close** () → None

Coroutine which will close the aiohttp session.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `async with` on the client and this coroutine will be executed when you exit the async context manager.

**async connect** () → None

Coroutine which will create an aiohttp ClientSession() as self.session.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `async with` on the client and this coroutine will be executed to create the session.

Should be cleaned with a call to the close coroutine.

```
async execute (document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None, extra_args: Dict[str, Any] = None, upload_files: bool = False) → graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
```

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server using the current session. This uses the aiohttp library to perform a HTTP POST request asynchronously to the remote server.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `execute` on a client or a session.

#### Parameters

- **document** – the parsed GraphQL request
- **variables\_values** – An optional Dict of variable values

- **operation\_name** – An optional Operation name for the request
- **extra\_args** – additional arguments to send to the aiohttp post method
- **upload\_files** – Set to True if you want to put files in the variable values

**Returns** an ExecutionResult object.

```
class gql.Client(schema: Optional[Union[str, graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema]]
                 = None, introspection=None, type_def: Optional[str] =
                 None, transport: Optional[Union[gql.transport.transport.Transport,
                 gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport]] = None,
                 fetch_schema_from_transport: bool = False, execute_timeout: Optional[int] =
                 10)
```

Bases: object

The Client class is the main entrypoint to execute GraphQL requests on a GQL transport.

It can take sync or async transports as argument and can either execute and subscribe to requests itself with the `execute` and `subscribe` methods OR can be used to get a sync or async session depending on the transport type.

To connect to an *async transport* and get an *async session*, use `async` with `client` as `session`:

To connect to a *sync transport* and get a *sync session*, use `with client` as `session`:

```
__init__(schema: Optional[Union[str, graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema]]
         = None, introspection=None, type_def: Optional[str] =
         None, transport: Optional[Union[gql.transport.transport.Transport,
         gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport]] = None,
         fetch_schema_from_transport:
         bool = False, execute_timeout: Optional[int] = 10)
```

Initialize the client with the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **schema** – an optional GraphQL Schema for local validation See [Schema validation](#)
- **transport** – The provided *transport*.
- **fetch\_schema\_from\_transport** – Boolean to indicate that if we want to fetch the schema from the transport using an introspection query
- **execute\_timeout** – The maximum time in seconds for the execution of a request before a TimeoutError is raised

**execute** (*document*: *graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*, \*args, \*\*kwargs) → Dict

Execute the provided document AST against the remote server using the transport provided during init.

This function **WILL BLOCK** until the result is received from the server.

Either the transport is sync and we execute the query synchronously directly OR the transport is async and we execute the query in the asyncio loop (blocking here until answer).

This method will:

- connect using the transport to get a session
- execute the GraphQL request on the transport session
- close the session and close the connection to the server

If you have multiple requests to send, it is better to get your own session and execute the requests in your session.

The extra arguments passed in the method will be passed to the transport execute method.

**subscribe** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → Generator[Dict, None, None]  
Execute a GraphQL subscription with a python generator.

We need an async transport for this functionality.

**class** `gql.PhoenixChannelWebsocketsTransport` (*channel\_name: str, heartbeat\_interval: float = 30, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)  
Bases: `gql.transport.websockets.WebsocketsTransport`

The PhoenixChannelWebsocketsTransport is an **EXPERIMENTAL** async transport which allows you to execute queries and subscriptions against an [Absinthe](#) backend using the [Phoenix](#) framework [channels](#).

**\_\_init\_\_** (*channel\_name: str, heartbeat\_interval: float = 30, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → None  
Initialize the transport with the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **channel\_name** – Channel on the server this transport will join
- **heartbeat\_interval** – Interval in second between each heartbeat messages sent by the client

**async close** () → None  
Coroutine used to Close an established connection

**async connect** () → None  
Coroutine which will:

- connect to the websocket address
- send the init message
- wait for the connection acknowledge from the server
- create an asyncio task which will be used to receive and parse the websocket answers

Should be cleaned with a call to the close coroutine

**async execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable\_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation\_name: Optional[str] = None*) → `graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult`  
Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server using the current session.

Send a query but close the async generator as soon as we have the first answer.

The result is sent as an ExecutionResult object.

**subscribe** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable\_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation\_name: Optional[str] = None, send\_stop: Optional[bool] = True*) → `AsyncGenerator[graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult, None]`  
Send a query and receive the results using a python async generator.

The query can be a graphql query, mutation or subscription.

The results are sent as an ExecutionResult object.

**async wait\_closed** () → None

**class** `gql.RequestsHTTPTransport` (*url: str, headers: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], requests.cookies.RequestsCookieJar]] = None, auth: Optional[requests.auth.AuthBase] = None, use\_json: bool = True, timeout: Optional[int] = None, verify: bool = True, retries: int = 0, method: str = 'POST', \*\*kwargs: Any*)  
Bases: `gql.transport.transport.Transport`

*Sync Transport* used to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers.

The transport uses the requests library to send HTTP POST requests.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*url: str, headers: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], requests.cookies.RequestsCookieJar]] = None, auth: Optional[requests.auth.AuthBase] = None, use\_json: bool = True, timeout: Optional[int] = None, verify: bool = True, retries: int = 0, method: str = 'POST', \*\*kwargs: Any*)  
Initialize the transport with the given request parameters.

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL.
- **headers** – Dictionary of HTTP Headers to send with the Request (Default: None).
- **cookies** – Dict or CookieJar object to send with the Request (Default: None).
- **auth** – Auth tuple or callable to enable Basic/Digest/Custom HTTP Auth (Default: None).
- **use\_json** – Send request body as JSON instead of form-urlencoded (Default: True).
- **timeout** – Specifies a default timeout for requests (Default: None).
- **verify** – Either a boolean, in which case it controls whether we verify the server's TLS certificate, or a string, in which case it must be a path to a CA bundle to use. (Default: True).
- **retries** – Pre-setup of the requests' Session for performing retries
- **method** – HTTP method used for requests. (Default: POST).
- **kwargs** – Optional arguments that `request` takes. These can be seen at the [requests](#) source code or the official [docs](#)

**close()**

Closing the transport by closing the inner session

**connect()**

Establish a session with the transport.

**execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable\_values: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, operation\_name: Optional[str] = None, timeout: Optional[int] = None*) → `graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult`  
Execute GraphQL query.

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server. This uses the requests library to perform a HTTP POST request to the remote server.

#### Parameters

- **document** – GraphQL query as AST Node object.
- **variable\_values** – Dictionary of input parameters (Default: None).
- **operation\_name** – Name of the operation that shall be executed. Only required in multi-operation documents (Default: None).
- **timeout** – Specifies a default timeout for requests (Default: None).

**Returns** The result of execution. *data* is the result of executing the query, *errors* is null if no errors occurred, and is a non-empty array if an error occurred.

```
class gql.WebsocketsTransport (url: str, headers: Optional[Union[websockets.http.Headers,
                                                                    Mapping[str, str],
                                                                    Iterable[Tuple[str, str]]]] = None, ssl:
                                                                    Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool] = False, init_payload: Dict[str, Any]
                                                                    = {}, connect_timeout: int = 10, close_timeout: int = 10,
                                                                    ack_timeout: int = 10, connect_args: Dict[str, Any] = {})
```

Bases: `gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport`

*Async Transport* used to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers with websocket connection.

This transport uses asyncio and the websockets library in order to send requests on a websocket connection.

```
__init__ (url: str, headers: Optional[Union[websockets.http.Headers, Mapping[str, str],
                                                                    Iterable[Tuple[str, str]]]] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool] = False, init_payload:
                                                                    Dict[str, Any] = {}, connect_timeout: int = 10, close_timeout: int = 10, ack_timeout: int
                                                                    = 10, connect_args: Dict[str, Any] = {}) → None
```

Initialize the transport with the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL. Example: ‘wss://server.com:PORT/graphql’.
- **headers** – Dict of HTTP Headers.
- **ssl** – ssl\_context of the connection. Use ssl=False to disable encryption
- **init\_payload** – Dict of the payload sent in the connection\_init message.
- **connect\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds for the establishment of the websocket connection.
- **close\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds for the close.
- **ack\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds to wait for the connection\_ack message from the server.
- **connect\_args** – Other parameters forwarded to websockets.connect

**async close** () → None

Coroutine used to Close an established connection

**async connect** () → None

Coroutine which will:

- connect to the websocket address
- send the init message
- wait for the connection acknowledge from the server
- create an asyncio task which will be used to receive and parse the websocket answers

Should be cleaned with a call to the close coroutine

```
async execute (document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Op-
                                                                    tional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None) →
                                                                    graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
```

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server using the current session.

Send a query but close the async generator as soon as we have the first answer.

The result is sent as an ExecutionResult object.

```
subscribe (document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]]
                                                                    = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None, send_stop: Optional[bool] = True) →
                                                                    AsyncGenerator[graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult, None]
```

Send a query and receive the results using a python async generator.



The query can be a graphql query, mutation or subscription.

The results are sent as an ExecutionResult object.

**async wait\_closed()** → None

**gql.gql** (*request\_string: str*) → graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode

Given a String containing a GraphQL request, parse it into a Document.

**Parameters** *request\_string* (*str*) – the GraphQL request as a String

**Returns** a Document which can be later executed or subscribed by a *Client*, by an *async session* or by a *sync session*

**Raises** **GraphQLError** – if a syntax error is encountered.

## 1.7.2 Sub-Packages

### Client

**class** `gql.client.AsyncClientSession` (*client: gql.client.Client*)

Bases: object

An instance of this class is created when using `async` with on a *client*.

It contains the async methods (execute, subscribe) to send queries on an async transport using the same session.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*client: gql.client.Client*)

**Parameters** *client* – the *client* used

**async execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*) → Dict

Coroutine to execute the provided document AST asynchronously using the async transport.

The extra arguments are passed to the transport execute method.

**async fetch\_and\_validate** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*)

Fetch schema from transport if needed and validate document.

If no schema is present, the validation will be skipped.

**async fetch\_schema** () → None

Fetch the GraphQL schema explicitly using introspection.

Don't use this function and instead set the `fetch_schema_from_transport` attribute to True

**subscribe** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*) → AsyncGenerator[Dict, None]

Coroutine to subscribe asynchronously to the provided document AST asynchronously using the async transport.

The extra arguments are passed to the transport subscribe method.

**property transport**

**class** `gql.client.Client` (*schema: Optional[Union[str, graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema]] = None*, *introspection=None*, *type\_def: Optional[str] = None*, *transport: Optional[Union[gql.transport.transport.Transport, gql.transport.async\_transport.AsyncTransport]] = None*, *fetch\_schema\_from\_transport: bool = False*, *execute\_timeout: Optional[int] = 10*)

Bases: object

The Client class is the main entrypoint to execute GraphQL requests on a GQL transport.

It can take sync or async transports as argument and can either execute and subscribe to requests itself with the `execute` and `subscribe` methods OR can be used to get a sync or async session depending on the transport type.

To connect to an *async transport* and get an *async session*, use `async` with `client` as `session`:

To connect to a *sync transport* and get a *sync session*, use `with client` as `session`:

```
__init__(schema: Optional[Union[str, graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema]]
         = None, introspection=None, type_def: Optional[str] =
         None, transport: Optional[Union[gql.transport.transport.Transport,
         gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport]] = None, fetch_schema_from_transport:
         bool = False, execute_timeout: Optional[int] = 10)
```

Initialize the client with the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **schema** – an optional GraphQL Schema for local validation See *Schema validation*
- **transport** – The provided *transport*.
- **fetch\_schema\_from\_transport** – Boolean to indicate that if we want to fetch the schema from the transport using an introspection query
- **execute\_timeout** – The maximum time in seconds for the execution of a request before a TimeoutError is raised

**execute** (*document*: *graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*, \*args, \*\*kwargs) → Dict

Execute the provided document AST against the remote server using the transport provided during init.

This function **WILL BLOCK** until the result is received from the server.

Either the transport is sync and we execute the query synchronously directly OR the transport is async and we execute the query in the asyncio loop (blocking here until answer).

This method will:

- connect using the transport to get a session
- execute the GraphQL request on the transport session
- close the session and close the connection to the server

If you have multiple requests to send, it is better to get your own session and execute the requests in your session.

The extra arguments passed in the method will be passed to the transport execute method.

**subscribe** (*document*: *graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode*, \*args, \*\*kwargs) → Generator[Dict, None, None]

Execute a GraphQL subscription with a python generator.

We need an async transport for this functionality.

```
class gql.client.SyncClientSession (client: gql.client.Client)
    Bases: object
```

An instance of this class is created when using `with` on the client.

It contains the sync method `execute` to send queries on a sync transport using the same session.

```
__init__(client: gql.client.Client)
```

**Parameters** `client` – the *client* used

**execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → Dict

**fetch\_schema** () → None

Fetch the GraphQL schema explicitly using introspection.

Don't use this function and instead set the `fetch_schema_from_transport` attribute to True

**property transport**

## Transport

**class** `gql.transport.transport.Transport`

Bases: `object`

**\_\_init\_\_** ()

Initialize self. See `help(type(self))` for accurate signature.

**close** ()

Close the transport

This method doesn't have to be implemented unless the transport would benefit from it. This is currently used by the `RequestsHTTPTransport` transport to close the session's connection pool.

**connect** ()

Establish a session with the transport.

**abstract execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → `graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult`

Execute GraphQL query.

Execute the provided document AST for either a remote or local GraphQL Schema.

**Parameters** **document** – GraphQL query as AST Node or Document object.

**Returns** `ExecutionResult`

**class** `gql.transport.local_schema.LocalSchemaTransport` (*schema: graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema*)

Bases: `gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport`

A transport for executing GraphQL queries against a local schema.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*schema: graphql.type.schema.GraphQLSchema*)

Initialize the transport with the given local schema.

**Parameters** **schema** – Local schema as `GraphQLSchema` object

**async close** ()

No close needed on local transport

**async connect** ()

No connection needed on local transport

**async execute** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → `graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult`

Execute the provided document AST for on a local GraphQL Schema.

**subscribe** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, \*args, \*\*kwargs*) → `AsyncGenerator[graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult, None]`

Send a subscription and receive the results using an async generator

The results are sent as an `ExecutionResult` object

```
class gql.transport.requests.RequestsHTTPTransport (url: str, headers: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], requests.cookies.RequestsCookieJar]] = None, auth: Optional[requests.auth.AuthBase] = None, use_json: bool = True, timeout: Optional[int] = None, verify: bool = True, retries: int = 0, method: str = 'POST', **kwargs: Any)
```

Bases: `gql.transport.transport.Transport`

*Sync Transport* used to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers.

The transport uses the requests library to send HTTP POST requests.

```
__init__ (url: str, headers: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Dict[str, Any], requests.cookies.RequestsCookieJar]] = None, auth: Optional[requests.auth.AuthBase] = None, use_json: bool = True, timeout: Optional[int] = None, verify: bool = True, retries: int = 0, method: str = 'POST', **kwargs: Any)
Initialize the transport with the given request parameters.
```

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL.
- **headers** – Dictionary of HTTP Headers to send with the Request (Default: None).
- **cookies** – Dict or CookieJar object to send with the Request (Default: None).
- **auth** – Auth tuple or callable to enable Basic/Digest/Custom HTTP Auth (Default: None).
- **use\_json** – Send request body as JSON instead of form-urlencoded (Default: True).
- **timeout** – Specifies a default timeout for requests (Default: None).
- **verify** – Either a boolean, in which case it controls whether we verify the server's TLS certificate, or a string, in which case it must be a path to a CA bundle to use. (Default: True).
- **retries** – Pre-setup of the requests' Session for performing retries
- **method** – HTTP method used for requests. (Default: POST).
- **kwargs** – Optional arguments that `request` takes. These can be seen at the [requests](#) source code or the official [docs](#)

**close()**

Closing the transport by closing the inner session

**connect()**

Establish a session with the transport.

```
execute (document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None, timeout: Optional[int] = None) → graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
Execute GraphQL query.
```

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server. This uses the requests library to perform a HTTP POST request to the remote server.

**Parameters**

- **document** – GraphQL query as AST Node object.
- **variable\_values** – Dictionary of input parameters (Default: None).
- **operation\_name** – Name of the operation that shall be executed. Only required in multi-operation documents (Default: None).
- **timeout** – Specifies a default timeout for requests (Default: None).

**Returns** The result of execution. *data* is the result of executing the query, *errors* is null if no errors occurred, and is a non-empty array if an error occurred.

```
class gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport
    Bases: object

    __init__()
        Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.

    abstract async close()
        Coroutine used to Close an established connection

    abstract async connect()
        Coroutine used to create a connection to the specified address

    abstract async execute(document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values:
        Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] =
        None) → graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
        Execute the provided document AST for either a remote or local GraphQL Schema.

    abstract subscribe(document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Op-
        tional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None) →
        AsyncGenerator[graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult, None]
        Send a query and receive the results using an async generator

        The query can be a graphql query, mutation or subscription

        The results are sent as an ExecutionResult object

class gql.transport.aiohttp.AIOHTTPTransport(url: str, headers: Op-
    tional[Union[Mapping[Union[str,
    multidict._multidict.istr], str], mul-
    tidict._multidict.CIMultiDict, multi-
    dict._multidict.CIMultiDictProxy]]
    = None, cookies: Op-
    tional[Union[Iterable[Tuple[str, BaseC-
    ookie[str]]], Mapping[str, BaseC-
    ookie[str]], BaseCookie[str]]] = None,
    auth: Optional[aiohttp.helpers.BasicAuth]
    = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext,
    bool, aiohttp.client_reqrep.Fingerprint]
    = False, timeout: Optional[int] = None,
    client_session_args: Optional[Dict[str,
    Any]] = None)

    Bases: gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport
```

*Async Transport* to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers with an HTTP connection.

This transport use the aiohttp library with asyncio.

```
__init__(url: str, headers: Optional[Union[Mapping[Union[str, multidict._ multidict.istr], str], multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDict, multidict._ multidict.CIMultiDictProxy]] = None, cookies: Optional[Union[Iterable[Tuple[str, BaseCookie[str]]], Mapping[str, BaseCookie[str]], BaseCookie[str]]] = None, auth: Optional[aiohttp.helpers.BasicAuth] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool, aiohttp.client_reqrep.Fingerprint] = False, timeout: Optional[int] = None, client_session_args: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None) → None
```

Initialize the transport with the given aiohttp parameters.

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL. Example: `'https://server.com:PORT/path'`.
- **headers** – Dict of HTTP Headers.
- **cookies** – Dict of HTTP cookies.
- **auth** – BasicAuth object to enable Basic HTTP auth if needed
- **ssl** – ssl\_context of the connection. Use ssl=False to disable encryption
- **client\_session\_args** – Dict of extra args passed to `aiohttp.ClientSession`

**async close** () → None

Coroutine which will close the aiohttp session.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `async with` on the client and this coroutine will be executed when you exit the async context manager.

**async connect** () → None

Coroutine which will create an aiohttp ClientSession() as self.session.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `async with` on the client and this coroutine will be executed to create the session.

Should be cleaned with a call to the close coroutine.

```
async execute(document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None, extra_args: Dict[str, Any] = None, upload_files: bool = False) → graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
```

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server using the current session. This uses the aiohttp library to perform a HTTP POST request asynchronously to the remote server.

Don't call this coroutine directly on the transport, instead use `execute` on a client or a session.

#### Parameters

- **document** – the parsed GraphQL request
- **variables\_values** – An optional Dict of variable values
- **operation\_name** – An optional Operation name for the request
- **extra\_args** – additional arguments to send to the aiohttp post method
- **upload\_files** – Set to True if you want to put files in the variable values

**Returns** an ExecutionResult object.

```
class gql.transport.websockets.WebsocketsTransport (url: str, headers: Optional[Union[websockets.http.Headers, Mapping[str, str], Iterable[Tuple[str, str]]]] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool] = False, init_payload: Dict[str, Any] = {}, connect_timeout: int = 10, close_timeout: int = 10, ack_timeout: int = 10, connect_args: Dict[str, Any] = {})
```

Bases: `gql.transport.async_transport.AsyncTransport`

*Async Transport* used to execute GraphQL queries on remote servers with websocket connection.

This transport uses asyncio and the websockets library in order to send requests on a websocket connection.

```
__init__(url: str, headers: Optional[Union[websockets.http.Headers, Mapping[str, str], Iterable[Tuple[str, str]]]] = None, ssl: Union[ssl.SSLContext, bool] = False, init_payload: Dict[str, Any] = {}, connect_timeout: int = 10, close_timeout: int = 10, ack_timeout: int = 10, connect_args: Dict[str, Any] = {}) → None
```

Initialize the transport with the given parameters.

#### Parameters

- **url** – The GraphQL server URL. Example: ‘wss://server.com:PORT/graphql’.
- **headers** – Dict of HTTP Headers.
- **ssl** – ssl\_context of the connection. Use ssl=False to disable encryption
- **init\_payload** – Dict of the payload sent in the connection\_init message.
- **connect\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds for the establishment of the websocket connection.
- **close\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds for the close.
- **ack\_timeout** – Timeout in seconds to wait for the connection\_ack message from the server.
- **connect\_args** – Other parameters forwarded to websockets.connect

**async close** () → None

Coroutine used to Close an established connection

**async connect** () → None

Coroutine which will:

- connect to the websocket address
- send the init message
- wait for the connection acknowledge from the server
- create an asyncio task which will be used to receive and parse the websocket answers

Should be cleaned with a call to the close coroutine

```
async execute (document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]] = None, operation_name: Optional[str] = None) → graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult
```

Execute the provided document AST against the configured remote server using the current session.

Send a query but close the async generator as soon as we have the first answer.

The result is sent as an ExecutionResult object.

**subscribe** (*document: graphql.language.ast.DocumentNode, variable\_values: Optional[Dict[str, str]]*  
= *None, operation\_name: Optional[str] = None, send\_stop: Optional[bool] = True*) →  
AsyncGenerator[graphql.execution.execute.ExecutionResult, None]

Send a query and receive the results using a python async generator.

The query can be a graphql query, mutation or subscription.

The results are sent as an ExecutionResult object.

**async wait\_closed** () → None



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