# Java HTTP Request using the built-in Java class *HttpUrlConnection*

**Http URL Connection** class from **java.net** package is used to send Java HTTP Request programmatically by send **GET** and **POST** requests and then print the response.

The *HttpUrlConnection* class allows us to **perform basic HTTP** requests without the use of any additional libraries. All the classes that we need are part of the *java.net* package.

## 1- Creating a HTTP Request

We create an HttpUrlConnection instance using the openConnection () method of the URL class. This method only creates a connection object but doesn't establish the connection yet.

The *HttpUrlConnection* class is used for all types of requests by setting the *request Method* attribute to one of the values: GET

1- URL url = new URL ("http:// https://www.blazemeter.com/");

2- HttpURLConnection con = (HttpURLConnection) url.openConnection ();

3- con.setRequestMethod ("GET");

Create a connection to a given URL using GET method

# 2- <u>Sending the HTTP Get Request</u>

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1- HttpURLConnectionProgram.java
2- package com.mkyong.http;
3- import javax.net.ssl.HttpsURLConnection;
4- import java.io.BufferedReader;
5- import java.io.DataOutputStream;
6- import java.io.InputStreamReader;
7- import java.net.HttpURLConnection;
8- import java.net.URL;
9- public class HttpURLConnectionExample {
10- public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
11- HttpURLConnectionExample obj = new HttpURLConnectionProgram();
12- System.out.println ("Testing 1 - Send Http GET request");
13- obj.sendGet ();
14- System.out.println ("Testing 2 - Send Http POST request");
15- obj.sendPost ();
16- }
17- private void sendGet () throws Exception {
18- String url = "https://www.blazemeter.com/";
19- HttpURLConnection httpClient =
20- (HttpURLConnection) new URL(url).openConnection();
  }
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Send the HTTP Get Requests to the blazemeter URL

### **3-**<u>Sending the HTTP Post Request</u>

- 1- httpClient.setDoOutput (true);
- 2- try (DataOutputStream wr = new
- 3- DataOutputStream (httpClient.getOutputStream())) {
- 4- wr.writeBytes (urlParameters);
- 5- wr.flush ();
- 6- }
- 7- int resCode = httpClient.getResponseCode ();
- 8- System.out.println("\n URL Request " + url);
- 9- System.out.println("Post " + urlParameters);
- 10- System.out.println("Response " + resCode);
- **11- try (BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(**
- 12- new InputStreamReader (httpClient.getInputStream()))) {
- 13- String rline;
- 14 StringBuilder response = new StringBuilder();
- 15- while ((rline = in.readLine()) != null) {
- 16- response.append (rline);
- 17- }
- 18- //print result
- 19- System.out.println (response.toString ());
- 20- }
- 21- }

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#### **HTTP GET**

The method "HTTP GET" requires the determined resource' description. The result of this method is retrieved data

#### **HTTP POST**

The HTTP POST method sends data to the server. It is often used when uploading a file or when submitting a completed web form.