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Now today we will discuss all important classes and methods of HTTP/2 client.

These are three classes —

- HttpClient-
- HttpRequest
- HttpResponse

Steps to creating HttpRequest and Process HttpResponse from Java application —

- ① Create HttpClient object —
- ② Create HttpRequest object —
- ③ By using HttpClient object, send request and GET HttpResponse
- ④ Process HttpResponse.

Steps by coding:—

```
① HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
```

```
② String url = "https://www.google.co.in";
HttpRequest req = HttpRequest.newBuilder(new URI(url))
    .GET().build();
```

Since, newBuilder method returns Builder object hence in order to convert it to HttpRequest —

```
we have to call .GET().build();
```

Let it make more clear as —

```
HttpRequest req = HttpRequest.newBuilder(new URI(url)).
```

GET().build();  
GET() method sets the request method of this builder to GET.  
build() method builds and returns a HttpRequest.



## Syntax of newBuilder(), GET(), and build() <sup>P-2</sup>

```
→ public static HttpRequest.Builder newBuilder(URI uri);  
→ public static HttpRequest.Builder GET();  
→ public abstract HttpRequest build();
```

③

```
HttpResponse resp = client.send(req, HttpResponse.  
BodyHandler.asString());
```

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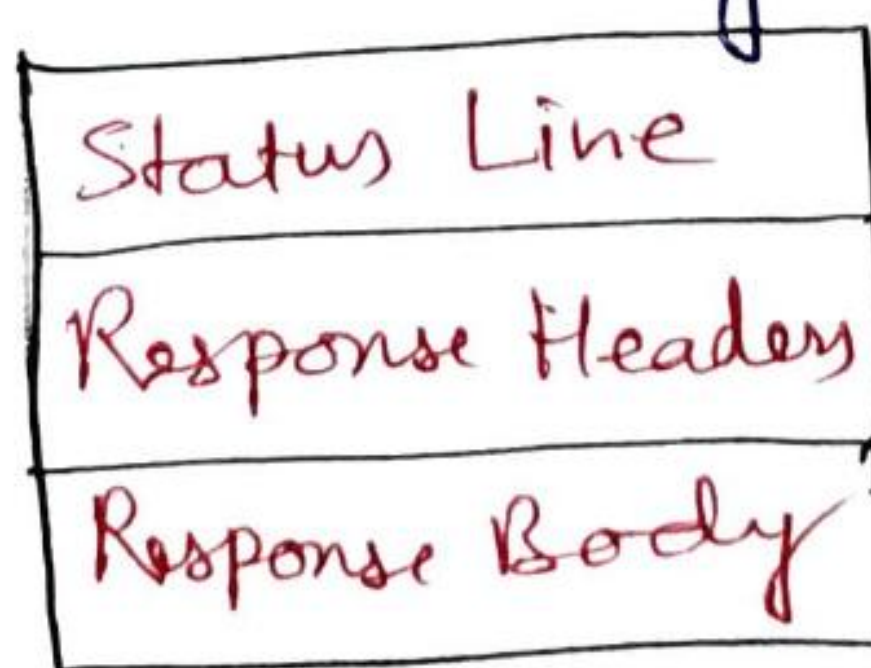
```
HttpResponse resp = client.send(req, HttpResponse.  
BodyHandler.asFile(Paths.get("abc.html"));
```

HttpClient contains the following methods:-

- ① send() — to send synchronous request (blocking mode)
- ② sendAsync() — to send asynchronous request (non blocking mode)

**BodyHandler** is a functional interface present inside `HttpResponse`. It can be used to handle body of `HttpResponse`.

④ → `HttpResponse` contains the status code, response headers and body.



Structure of `HttpResponse`

`HttpResponse` class contains the following methods to retrieve data from the response —

① `statusCode()`  
returns Status Code —  
(1XX, 2XX, 3XX, 4XX, 5XX)

② `body()`  
returns body of the response

③ `headers()`  
returns header information of response.



Status code details are → with meanings

1XX → Informational

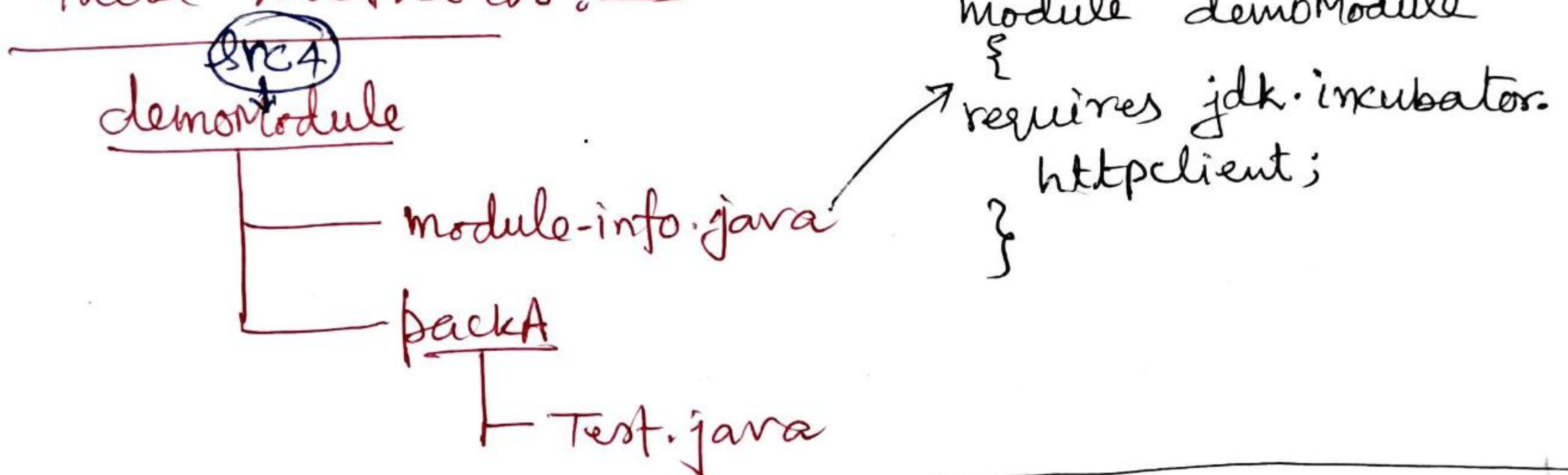
2XX → Successful

3XX → Redirectional

4XX → Client side Error

5XX → Server side Error

Let us take a small demo program to see all these methods:—



Test.java

```

package packA; import jdk.incubator.http.*;
import java.net.URI; import java.util.*;
public class Test {
    public static void main(String [] args) throws
        Exception
    {
        HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
        String url = "https://www.google.co.in";
        HttpRequest req = HttpRequest.newBuilder(new URI(url)).GET().
            build();
        HttpResponse resp = client.send(req, HttpResponse.
            BodyHandler.asString());
        System.out.println("Status Code : " + resp.statusCode());
        // System.out.println("Response Body : " + resp.body());
    }
}
  
```



```

HttpHeaders header = resp.headers();
Map<String, List<String>> map = header.map();
System.out.println("Response Headers:");
map.forEach((k,v) -> System.out.println("\t" + k + ":"
+ v));
}
}

```

Compile :-

```

javac --module-source-path src4 -d out4 -m
demoModule

```

Run :-

```

java --module-path out4 -m demoModule/packA.Test

```

Status Code - 200 (Successful)

→ Warning we will get because - incubator module is still under-development phase so be take care while using incubator module.

Body of a page is a big amount of HTML coding so I have commented in the program above. you can uncomment to see the output.

Now, let us modify this program to get body response and store it to a file "abc.html" :-

```

import java.nio.file.Paths;

```

← Insert one line above the code after package statement.

```

HttpResponse resp = client.send(req, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers
asFile(Paths.get("abc.html")));

```

Paths is a class present in java.nio.file package, hence we have imported it. Hence modified program is :-



Test.java

```

package packA; import jdk.incubator.http.*;
import java.net.URI;
import java.util.List;
import java.nio.file.Paths;

public class Test {
    public static void main(String [] args) throws Exception
    {
        HttpClient client = HttpClient.newHttpClient();
        String url = "https://www.rediffmail.com";
        HttpRequest req = HttpRequest.newBuilder(new URI(url)).
            GET().build();
        HttpResponse resp = client.send(req, HttpResponse.
            BodyHandler.asFile(Paths.get("abc.html")));
        System.out.println("Status Code:" + resp.statusCode());
        HttpHeaders header = resp.headers();
        Map<String, List<String>> map = header.map();
        System.out.println("Response Headers");
        map.forEach((k,v) -> System.out.println("\t" + k +
            ":" + v));
    }
}

```

Compile & Run Again :-

```

javac --module-source-path src4 -d out4 -m
demoModule &
java --module-path out4 -m demoModule/packA.Test &

```

You have (abc.html) file in your current working directory. You can check it, open & see the result.