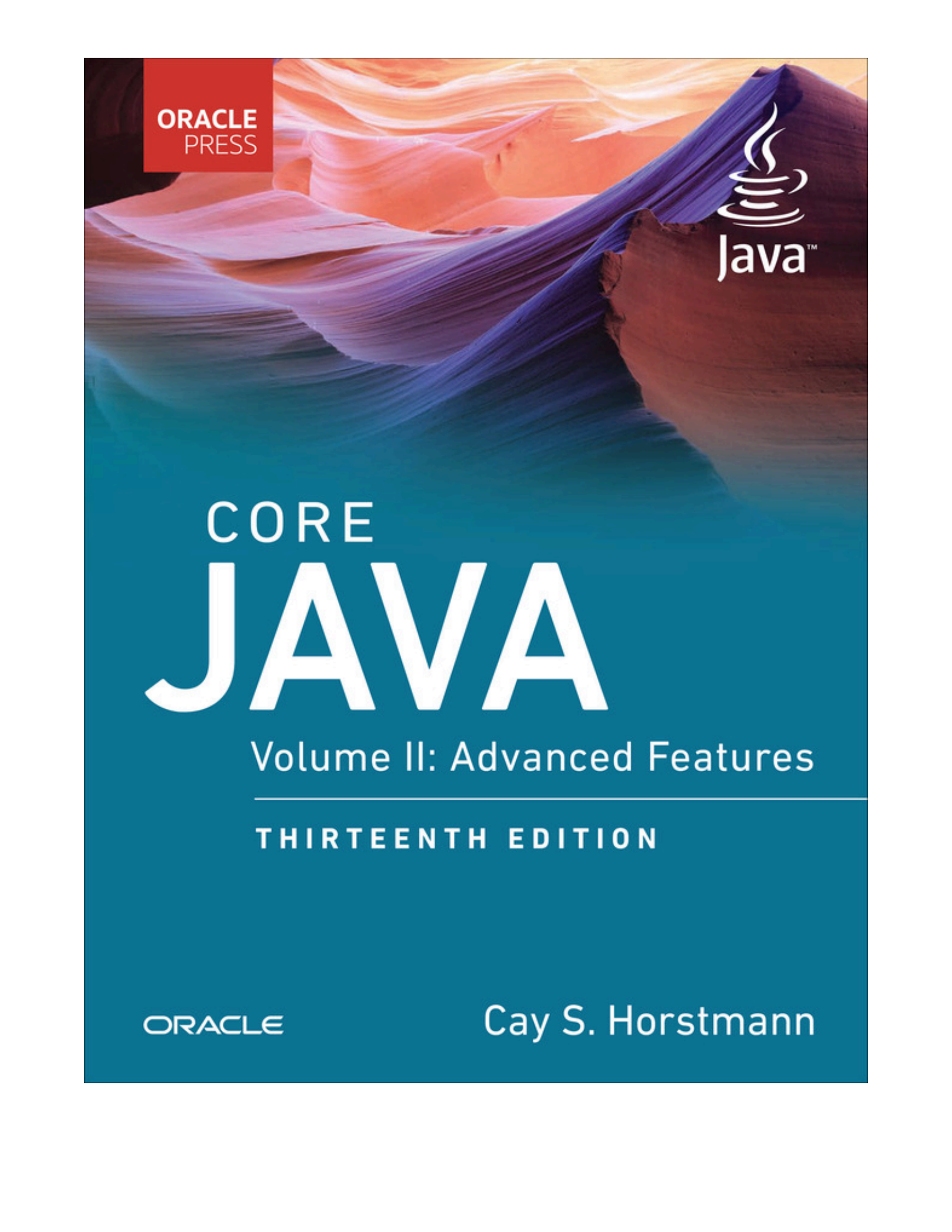




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Java 16 adds a builder for filtering the headers of an existing `HttpRequest`. You provide the request and a function that receives the header names and values, returning `true` for those that should be retained. For example, here we modify the content type:

```
HttpRequest request2 = HttpRequest.newBuilder(request,
    (name, value) -> !name.equalsIgnoreCase("Content-Type")) // Remove old content type
    .header("Content-Type", "application/xml") // Add new content type
    .build();
```

4.4.3. The `HttpResponse` Interface and Body Handlers

When sending the request, you have to tell the client how to handle the response. If you just want the body as a string, send the request with a `HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString()`, like this:

```
HttpResponse<String> response
    = client.send(request, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString());
```

`HttpResponse` is a generic interface whose type parameter denotes the type of the response body. You get the response body string simply as

```
String bodyString = response.body();
```

There are other response body handlers that get the response as a byte array or input stream. `BodyHandlers.ofFile(filePath)` yields a handler that saves the response to the given file, and `BodyHandlers.ofFileDownload(directoryPath)` saves the response in the given directory, using the file name from the `Content-Disposition` header. Finally, the handler obtained from `BodyHandlers.discarding()` simply discards the response.

Processing the contents of the response is not considered part of the API. For example, if you receive JSON data, you need a JSON library to parse the contents.

The `HttpResponse` object also yields the status code and the response headers.

```
int status = response.statusCode();
HttpHeaders responseHeaders = response.headers();
```

You can turn the `HttpHeaders` object into a map:

```
Map<String, List<String>> headerMap = responseHeaders.map();
```

The map values are lists since in HTTP, each key can have multiple values.

If you just want the value of a particular key, and you know that there won't be multiple values, call the `firstValue` method:

```
Optional<String> lastModified = responseHeaders.firstValue("Last-Modified");
```

You get the response value or an empty optional if none was supplied.



Note: The `HttpHeaders` class is aware that keys for HTTP parameters are case-insensitive. If you call `responseHeaders.firstValue("Last-Modified")`, you get the desired header value even if it was sent as `last-modified`.

4.4.4. Asynchronous Processing

You can process the response asynchronously. When building the client, provide an executor:

```
ExecutorService executor = Executors.newCachedThreadPool();
HttpClient client = HttpClient.newBuilder().executor(executor).build();
```

Build a request and then invoke the `sendAsync` method on the client. You receive a `CompletableFuture<HttpResponse<T>>`, where `T` is the type of the body handler. Use the `CompletableFuture` API as described in Chapter 10 of Volume I:

```
HttpRequest request = HttpRequest.newBuilder().uri(uri).GET().build();
client.sendAsync(request, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString())
    thenAccept(response -> . . .);
```



Tip: To enable logging for the `HttpClient`, add this line to `net.properties` in your JDK:

```
jdk.httpclient.HttpClient.log=all
```

Instead of `all`, you can specify a comma-separated list of the following event types:

- `channel`
- `content`
- `errors`
- `frames`, optionally followed by one or more of `:control`, `:data`, `:window`, or `:all`
- `headers`
- `requests`
- `ssl`
- `trace`

Don't use any spaces:

```
jdk.httpclient.HttpClient.log=headers,requests,frames:control:data
```

Then, set the logging level for the logger with name `jdk.httpclient.HttpClient` to `INFO`, for example by adding this line to the `logging.properties` file in your JDK:

```
jdk.httpClient.HttpClient.level=INFO
```

The program in Listing 4.10 shows how to make synchronous requests to different services. Run it as:

```
java httpClient.HttpClientTest form.properties
java httpClient.HttpClientTest fileupload.properties
java httpClient.HttpClientTest json.properties
```

With each run, a “Hello, World” program is sent to the CodeCheck service, and the result of running it is displayed. That service can accept form posts, file uploads, and JSON posts. Note the logging output from the HttpClient.

Listing 4.10 httpClient/HttpClientTest.java

```
1 package httpClient;
2
3 import java.io.*;
4 import java.net.*;
5 import java.nio.charset.*;
6 import java.nio.file.*;
7 import java.util.*;
8 import java.util.stream.Stream;
9 import java.net.http.*;
10 import java.net.http.HttpRequest.*;
11
12 /**
13  * This program demonstrates the HTTP client
14  * @version 1.02 2023-08-16
15  * @author Cay Horstmann
16  */
17 class MoreBodyPublishers
18 {
19     public static BodyPublisher ofFormData(Map<Object, Object> data)
20     {
21         boolean first = true;
22         var builder = new StringBuilder();
23         for (Map.Entry<Object, Object> entry : data.entrySet())
24         {
25             if (first) first = false;
26             else builder.append("&");
27             builder.append(URLEncoder.encode(entry.getKey().toString(),
28                 StandardCharsets.UTF_8));
29             builder.append("=");
30             builder.append(URLEncoder.encode(entry.getValue().toString(),
31                 StandardCharsets.UTF_8));
32         }
33         return BodyPublishers.ofString(builder.toString());
```

```

34     }
35
36     public static BodyPublisher ofMimeMultipartData(Map<String, List<?>> data, String boundary)
37         throws IOException
38     {
39         var bps = new ArrayList<BodyPublisher>();
40         var header = new StringBuilder();
41         for (Map.Entry<String, List<?>> entry : data.entrySet())
42         {
43             for (Object value : entry.getValue())
44             {
45                 header.append("--%s\r\nContent-Disposition: form-data; name=%s".formatted(
46                     boundary, entry.getKey()));
47
48                 if (value instanceof Path path)
49                 {
50                     header.append("; filename=\"%s\"\\r\\n".formatted(path.getFileName()));
51                     String mimeType = Files.probeContentType(path);
52                     if (mimeType != null) header.append("Content-Type: %s\\r\\n".formatted(mimeType));
53                     header.append("\\r\\n");
54                     bps.add(BodyPublishers.ofString(header.toString()));
55                     bps.add(BodyPublishers.ofFile(path));
56                 }
57                 else
58                 {
59                     header.append("\\r\\n\\r\\n%s\\r\\n".formatted(value));
60                     header.append("\\r\\n");
61                     bps.add(BodyPublishers.ofString(header.toString()));
62                 }
63                 header = new StringBuilder("\\r\\n");
64             }
65         }
66         bps.add(BodyPublishers.ofString("\\r\\n--%s--\\r\\n".formatted(boundary)));
67         return BodyPublishers.concat(bps.toArray(BodyPublisher[]::new));
68     }
69
70     public static BodyPublisher ofSimpleJSON(Map<Object, Object> data)
71     {
72         var builder = new StringBuilder();
73         builder.append("{");
74         var first = true;
75         for (Map.Entry<Object, Object> entry : data.entrySet())
76         {
77             if (first) first = false;
78             else
79                 builder.append(",");
80             builder.append(jsonEscape(entry.getKey().toString())).append(": ")
81                 .append(jsonEscape(entry.getValue().toString()));
82         }
83         builder.append("}");
84         return BodyPublishers.ofString(builder.toString());
85     }

```

```

86
87 private static Map<Character, String> replacements = Map.of('\b', "\\b", '\f', "\\f",
88 '\n', "\\n", '\r', "\\r", '\t', "\\t", '"', "\\\"", '\'', "\\\'");
89
90 private static StringBuilder jsonEscape(String str)
91 {
92     var result = new StringBuilder("");
93     for (int i = 0; i < str.length(); i++)
94     {
95         char ch = str.charAt(i);
96         String replacement = replacements.get(ch);
97         if (replacement == null) result.append(ch);
98         else result.append(replacement);
99     }
100     result.append("");
101     return result;
102 }
103
104
105 public class HttpClientTest
106 {
107     public static void main(String[] args)
108         throws IOException, URISyntaxException, InterruptedException
109     {
110         System.setProperty("jdk.httpclient.HttpClient.log", "headers,requests,content");
111         String propsFilename = args.length > 0 ? args[0] : "post.properties";
112         Path propsPath = Path.of(propsFilename);
113         var props = new Properties();
114         try (Reader in = Files.newBufferedReader(propsPath))
115         {
116             props.load(in);
117         }
118         String urlString = "" + props.remove("url");
119         String contentType = "" + props.remove("Content-Type");
120         BodyPublisher publisher = null;
121         if (contentType.equals("application/x-www-form-urlencoded"))
122             publisher = MoreBodyPublishers.ofFormData(props);
123         else if (contentType.equals("multipart/form-data"))
124         {
125             // Split each value along commas, replace strings starting with
126             // file:// with Path objects
127             var data = new HashMap<String, List<?>>();
128             for (Map.Entry<Object, Object> entry : props.entrySet())
129             {
130                 data.put(entry.getKey().toString(),
131                     Stream.of(entry.getValue().toString().split("\\s*,\\s*"))
132                         .map(s -> s.startsWith("file://")
133                             ? propsPath.getParent().resolve(Path.of(s.substring(7)))
134                             : s)
135                         .toList());
136             }
137             String boundary = UUID.randomUUID().toString().replace("-", "");

```

```

138         contentType += "; boundary=" + boundary;
139         publisher = MoreBodyPublishers.ofMimeMultipartData(data, boundary);
140     }
141     else
142     {
143         contentType = "application/json";
144         publisher = MoreBodyPublishers.ofSimpleJSON(props);
145     }
146
147     String result = doPost(urlString, contentType, publisher);
148     System.out.println(result);
149 }
150
151 public static String doPost(String url, String contentType, BodyPublisher publisher)
152     throws IOException, URISyntaxException, InterruptedException
153 {
154     try (HttpClient client = HttpClient.newBuilder()
155         .followRedirects(HttpClient.Redirect.ALWAYS).build())
156     {
157
158         HttpRequest request = HttpRequest.newBuilder()
159             .uri(new URI(url))
160             .header("Content-Type", contentType)
161             .POST(publisher)
162             .build();
163
164         HttpResponse<String> response
165             = client.send(request, HttpResponse.BodyHandlers.ofString());
166         return response.body();
167     }
168 }
169 }

```

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- `static HttpClient newHttpClient()`
yields an `HttpClient` with a default configuration.
- `static HttpClient.Builder newBuilder()`
yields a builder for building an `HttpClient`.
- `<T> HttpResponse<T> send(HttpRequest request, HttpResponse.BodyHandler<T> responseBodyHandler)`
- `<T> CompletableFuture<HttpResponse<T>> sendAsync(HttpRequest request, HttpResponse.BodyHandler<T> responseBodyHandler)`
make a synchronous or asynchronous request and process the response body with the given handler.