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# **purl Documentation**

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*purl.URL* is a simple, immutable URL class that can make your life easier.



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**API**

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There's only two classes to be aware of.

```
class purl.URL(url_str=None, host=None, username=None, password=None, scheme=None, port=None,
                 path=None, query=None, fragment=None)
```

The constructor can be used in two ways:

1. Pass a URL string:

```
>>> URL('http://www.google.com/search?q=testing').as_string()
u'http://www.google.com/search?q=testing'
```

2. Pass keyword arguments:

```
>>> URL(host='www.google.com', path='/search', query='q=testing').as_string()
u'http://www.google.com/search?q=testing'
```

If you pass both a URL string and keyword args, then the values of keyword args take precedence.

**add\_path\_segment(value)**

Add a new path segment to the end of the current string

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new path segment to use

Example:

```
>>> u = URL('http://example.com/foo/')
>>> u.add_path_segment('bar').as_string()
u'http://example.com/foo/bar'
```

**append\_query\_param(key, value)**

Append a query parameter

**Parameters**

- **key** (*string*) – The query param key
- **value** (*string*) – The new value

**domain(value=None)**

Return the host

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – new host string

**fragment(value=None)**

Return or set the fragment (hash)

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new fragment to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**classmethod** **from\_string** (*url\_str*)

Factory method to create a new instance based on a passed string

This method is deprecated now

**has\_query\_param** (*key*)

Test if a given query parameter is present

**Parameters** **key** (*string*) – key to test for

**has\_query\_params** (*keys*)

Test if a given set of query parameters are present

**Parameters** **keys** (*list*) – keys to test for

**host** (*value=None*)

Return the host

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – new host string

**netloc** ()

Return the netloc

**password** (*value=None*)

Return or set the password

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new password to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**path** (*value=None*)

Return or set the path

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new path to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**path\_segment** (*index, value=None, default=None*)

Return the path segment at the given index

**Parameters**

- **index** (*integer*) –
- **value** (*string*) – the new segment value
- **default** (*string*) – the default value to return if no path segment exists with the given index

**path\_segments** (*value=None*)

Return the path segments

**Parameters** **value** (*list*) – the new path segments to use

**port** (*value=None*)

Return or set the port

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new port to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**query** (*value=None*)

Return or set the query string

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new query string to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**query\_param** (*key*, *value=None*, *default=None*, *as\_list=False*)

Return or set a query parameter for the given key

The value can be a list.

#### Parameters

- **key** (*string*) – key to look for
- **default** (*string*) – value to return if *key* isn't found
- **as\_list** (*boolean*) – whether to return the values as a list
- **value** (*string*) – the new query parameter to use

**query\_params** (*value=None*)

Return or set a dictionary of query params

**Parameters** **value** (*dict*) – new dictionary of values

**remove\_query\_param** (*key*, *value=None*)

Remove a query param from a URL

Set the value parameter if removing from a list.

#### Parameters

- **key** (*string*) – The key to delete
- **value** (*string*) – The value of the param to delete (of more than one)

**scheme** (*value=None*)

Return or set the scheme.

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new scheme to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**subdomain** (*index*, *value=None*)

Return a subdomain or set a new value and return a new [URL](#) instance.

#### Parameters

- **index** (*integer*) – 0-indexed subdomain
- **value** (*string*) – New subdomain

**subdomains** (*value=None*)

Returns a list of subdomains or set the subdomains and returns a new [URL](#) instance.

**Parameters** **value** (*list*) – a list of subdomains

**username** (*value=None*)

Return or set the username

**Parameters** **value** (*string*) – the new username to use

**Returns** string or new [URL](#) instance

**class purl.Template** (*url\_str*)



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