# thingspeak Documentation

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ThingSpeak is an open source "Internet of Things" application and API to store and retrieve data from things using HTTP over the Internet or via a Local Area Network. With ThingSpeak, you can create sensor logging applications, location tracking applications, and a social network of things with status updates. https://github.com/iobridge/ThingSpeak

This repository is contains Python module that helps in talking to ThingSpeak API.

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Installation

This part of the documentation covers the installation of thingspeak package. The first step to using any software package is getting it properly installed.

### 1.1 Pip Install thingspeak API

To install thingspeak, simply run this simple command in your terminal of choice:

```
$ pip install thingspeak
```

If you don't have pip installed (tisk tisk!), this Python installation guide can guide you through the process.

### 1.2 Get the Source Code

Requests is developed on GitHub, where the code is always available.

You can either clone the public repository:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:mchwalisz/thingspeak.git
```

#### Or, download the tarball:

```
$ curl -OL https://github.com/mchwalisz/thingspeak/tarball/master
# optionally, zipball is also available (for Windows users).
```

Once you have a copy of the source, you can embed it in your own Python package, or install it into your site-packages easily:

```
$ python setup.py install
```

Basic usage

### 2.1 Command line

It is possible to view the channel directly:

```
$ thingspeak -q -r 2 9
  "channel": {
   "created_at": "2010-12-14T01:20:06Z",
   "description": "Netduino Plus connected to sensors around the house",
   "field1": "Light",
    "field2": "Outside Temperature",
    "id": 9,
   "last_entry_id": 9680334,
   "latitude": "40.44",
   "longitude": "-79.9965",
   "name": "my_house",
    "updated_at": "2016-02-09T20:11:45Z"
  },
  "feeds": [
      "created_at": "2016-02-09T20:11:31Z",
      "entry_id": 9680333,
      "field1": "199",
      "field2": "29.978768577494691"
   },
      "created_at": "2016-02-09T20:11:45Z",
      "entry_id": 9680334,
      "field1": "213",
      "field2": "29.723991507430998"
```

## 2.2 Python interface

Or through Python interface:

```
>>> import thingspeak
>>> ch = thingspeak.Channel(9)
>>> ch.get({'results': 2})
u'{"channel":{"id":9,"name":"my_house",
"description":"Netduino Plus connected to sensors around the house",
"latitude":"40.44","longitude":"-79.9965",
"field1":"Light","field2":"Outside Temperature",
"created_at":"2010-12-14T01:20:06Z",
"updated_at":"2016-02-09T20:13:45Z","last_entry_id":9680342},
"feeds":[
{"created_at":"2016-02-09T20:13:30Z","entry_id":9680341,
"field1":"199","field2":"29.554140127388536"},
{"created_at":"2016-02-09T20:13:45Z","entry_id":9680342,
"field1":"193","field2":"27.855626326963908"}]}'
```

For valid parameters refer to https://mathworks.com/help/thingspeak/channels-and-charts.html

Changelog

### 3.1 v1.0.0

### Warning:

- read\_key and write\_key have been replaced with api\_key

  The user needs to decide which key should be used. The change is inline with thingspeak API design.
- Upated examples
- Added tests, using vcrpy to store http responses.
- Switched to use poetry for deployment and requirements management

### 3.2 v0.4.0

- Added thingspeak.get\_field()
- · Added examples
- Added timeout option

### 3.3 v0.3.6

· First releases

## 3.4 v0.1.1

• Original version of thingspeak library from @bergey

### API

```
class thingspeak.Channel(id,
                                              api_key=None,
                                                                     fmt='json',
                                                                                         timeout=None,
                                  server_url='https://api.thingspeak.com')
     ThingSpeak channel object
     get (options=None)
          Get a channel feed.
           get-a-channel-feed
     get_field(field=None, options=None)
          Get particular field
           get-channel-field-feed
     get_field_last (field=None, options=None)
           To get the age of the most recent entry in a channel's field feed
          get-channel-field-feed field_last_data
     get_last_data_age (field=None, options=None)
           Get last result from particular field in text format
          get-channel-field-feed field_last_data_age
     update (data)
          Update channel feed.
           update-channel-feed
     view()
           View a Channel
           view-a-channel
```

**Warning:** This is a complete redesign of the library as compared to v0.1.1. Previous version is available in https://github.com/bergey/thingspeak and is no longer maintained.

To install old version you can still use:

pip install thingspeak==0.1.1

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