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# **python-sailsd Documentation**

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*python-sailsd* is a python library to make interacting with the sailsd API easy.

To install:

```
$ pip install python-sailsd
```



# CHAPTER 1

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## Brief API overview

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### `class sailsd.Sailsd`

Low-level control to the sailsd API. Not much is defined here, just direct interaction to the API.

#### `request (*attributes)`

Request one or more attribute from sailsd. These should be the names of each attribute as a string, for example:

```
>>> sailsd.request('speed')
{'speed': 4.59422737529291
>>> sailsd.request('heading', 'latitude')
{'heading': 0.7459227808181, 'latitude': 0.004578511779640}
```

#### `set (**kwargs)`

Set attributes in sailsd.

```
>>> sailsd.set(rudder_angle=0.2)
{}
>>> sailsd.set(latitude=0)
{}
```

The attributes you are likely to be able to set are:

- latitude
- longitude
- sail-angle
- heading
- rudder-angle
- wind-speed
- wind-angle

but there could be others.

**class** `sailsd.Boat`(*sailsd=None, auto\_update=False*)

A merry sailing boat sailing on the seas.

#### Parameters

- **sailsd** – an instance of `sailsd.Sailsd` to use instead of creating a new instance
- **auto\_update**(*bool*) – whether to automatically request updated values on each attribute request. Setting this to True makes using `update()` redundant.

Some example usage:

```
>>> boat = sailsd.Boat()
>>> boat.rudder_angle = 0.1
>>> boat.update()
>>> boat.heading
0.758290214606183
>>> boat.speed
4.6089232392605135
>>> boat.latitude, boat.longitude
(0.0009904288095353697, 0.0009966210180718897)
```

#### **heading**

Current heading of the boat, measured in radians from the bow

#### **latitude**

Current latitude of the boat

#### **longitude**

Current longitude of the boat

#### **rudder\_angle**

Angle of the rudder, measured in radians where 0 is a straight rudder

#### **sail\_angle**

Angle of the sail, measured in radians where 0 is the sail pulled to the exact center of the boat

#### **speed**

Current speed of the boat, measured in meters per second

#### **update()**

Read attributes from `sailsd` and update all values. For example:

```
>>> boat = sailsd.Boat()
>>> boat.update()
>>> boat.latitude
100.00292426652119
```

This should be run just before reading values to ensure they are up to date.

#### **x**

Longitude approximately projected to an x y meter grid

#### **y**

Latitude approximately projected to an x y meter grid

**class** `sailsd.Wind`(*sailsd=None, auto\_update=False*)

Some wind wafting over the sea.

#### Parameters

- **sailsd** – an instance of `sailsd.Sailsd` to use instead of creating a new instance

- **auto\_update** (*bool*) – whether to automatically request updated values on each attribute request. Setting this to True makes using `update()` redundant.

**angle**

Angle of wind direction in radians. A value of 0 is a movement of wind from north to south.

**speed**

Speed of wind in meters per second.

**update()**

Read attributes from sailsd and update values. For example:

```
>>> wind = sailsd.Wind()
>>> wind.update()
>>> wind.speed
4.0
>>> wind.angle
1.5707963267948966
```



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