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# **rejected Documentation**

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Rejected is a AMQP consumer daemon and message processing framework. It allows for rapid development of message processing consumers by handling all of the core functionality of communicating with RabbitMQ and management of consumer processes.

Rejected runs as a master process with multiple consumer configurations that are each run in an isolated process. It has the ability to collect statistical data from the consumer processes and report on it.

Rejected supports Python 2.7 and 3.4+.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Features

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- Automatic exception handling including connection management and consumer restarting
- Smart consumer classes that can automatically decode and deserialize message bodies based upon message headers
- Metrics logging and submission to statsd and InfluxDB
- Built-in profiling of consumer code
- Ability to write asynchronous code in consumers allowing for parallel communication with external resources



# CHAPTER 2

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## Installation

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rejected is available from the [Python Package Index](#) and can be installed by running `pip install rejected`.

For additional dependencies for optional features:

- To install HTML support, run `pip install rejected[html]`
- To install InfluxDB support, run `pip install rejected[influxdb]`
- To install MessagePack support, run `pip install rejected[msgpack]`
- To install Sentry support, run `pip install rejected[sentry]`



# CHAPTER 3

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## Getting Started

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### 3.1 Consumer Examples

The following example illustrates a very simple consumer that simply logs each message body as it's received.

```
from rejected import consumer
import logging

__version__ = '1.0.0'

LOGGER = logging.getLogger(__name__)

class ExampleConsumer(consumer.Consumer):

    def process(self):
        LOGGER.info(self.body)
```

All interaction with RabbitMQ with regard to connection management and message handling, including acknowledgements and rejections are automatically handled for you.

The `__version__` variable provides context in the rejected log files when consumers are started and can be useful for investigating consumer behaviors in production.

In this next example, a contrived `ExampleConsumer._connect_to_database` method is added that will return `False`. When `ExampleConsumer.process` evaluates if it could connect to the database and finds it can not, it will raise a `rejected.consumer.ConsumerException` which will requeue the message in RabbitMQ and increment an error counter. When too many errors occur, `rejected` will automatically restart the consumer after a brief quiet period. For more information on these exceptions, check out the [consumer API documentation](#).

```
from rejected import consumer
import logging

__version__ = '1.0.0'
```

```
LOGGER = logging.getLogger(__name__)

class ExampleConsumer(consumer.Consumer):

    def _connect_to_database(self):
        return False

    def process(self):
        if not self._connect_to_database():
            raise consumer.ConsumerException('Database error')

        LOGGER.info(self.body)
```

Some consumers are also publishers. In this next example, the message body will be republished to a new exchange on the same RabbitMQ connection:

```
from rejected import consumer
import logging

__version__ = '1.0.0'

LOGGER = logging.getLogger(__name__)

class ExampleConsumer(consumer.PublishingConsumer):

    def process(self):
        LOGGER.info(self.body)
        self.publish('new-exchange', 'routing-key', {}, self.body)
```

Note that the previous example extends `rejected.consumer.PublishingConsumer` instead of `rejected.consumer.Consumer`. For more information about what base consumer classes exist, be sure to check out the [consumer API documentation](#).

## 3.2 Configuration File Syntax

The rejected configuration uses [YAML](#) as the markup language. YAML's format, like Python code is whitespace dependent for control structure in blocks. If you're having problems with your rejected configuration, the first thing you should do is ensure that the YAML syntax is correct. [yamllint.com](#) is a good resource for validating that your configuration file can be parsed.

The configuration file is split into three main sections: Application, Daemon, and Logging.

The example configuration file provides a good starting point for creating your own configuration file.

### 3.2.1 Application

The application section of the configuration is broken down into multiple top-level options:

<code>poll_interval</code>	How often rejected should poll consumer processes for status in seconds (int/float)
<code>sentry_dsn</code>	If Sentry support is installed, optionally set a global DSN for all consumers (str)
<code>stats</code>	Enable and configure statsd metric submission (obj)
<code>Connections</code>	A subsection with RabbitMQ connection information for consumers (obj)
<code>Consumers</code>	Where each consumer type is configured (obj)

## stats

stats		
	log	Toggle top-level logging of consumer process stats (bool)
	<i>influxdb</i>	Configure the submission of per-message measurements to InfluxDB (obj)
	<i>statsd</i>	Configure the submission of per-message measurements to statsd (obj)

## influxdb

stats > influxdb		
	scheme	The scheme to use when submitting metrics to the InfluxDB server. Default: http (str)
	host	The hostname or ip address of the InfluxDB server. Default: localhost (str)
	port	The port of the influxdb server. Default: 8086 (int)
	user	An optional username to use when submitting measurements. (str)
	pass-word	An optional password to use when submitting measurements. (str)
	database	The InfluxDB database to submit measurements to. Default: rejected (str)

## statsd

stats > statsd		
	prefix	An optional prefix to use when creating the statsd metric path (str)
	host	The hostname or ip address of the statsd server (str)
	port	The port of the statsd server. Default: 8125 (int)

## Connections

Each RabbitMQ connection entry should be a nested object with a unique name with connection attributes.

Connection Name		
	host	The hostname or ip address of the RabbitMQ server (str)
	port	The port of the RabbitMQ server (int)
	vhost	The virtual host to connect to (str)
	user	The username to connect as (str)
	pass	The password to use (str)
	heartbeat_interval	Optional: the AMQP heartbeat interval (int) default: 300 sec

## Consumers

Each consumer entry should be a nested object with a unique name with consumer attributes.

Consumer Name	
consumer	The package.module.Class path to the consumer code (str)
connections	The connections, by name, to connect to from the Connections section (list)
qty	The number of consumers per connection to run (int)
queue	The RabbitMQ queue name to consume from (int)
ack	Explicitly acknowledge messages (no_ack = not ack) (bool)
max_errors	Number of errors encountered before restarting a consumer (int)
sentry_dsn	If Sentry support is installed, set a consumer specific sentry DSN (str)
drop_invalid_messages	Drop a message if the type property doesn't match the specified message type (str)
message_type	Used to validate the message type of a message before processing. This attribute can be set to a string that is matched against the AMQP message type or a list of acceptable message types. (array)
error_exchange	The exchange to publish messages that raise <i>ProcessingException</i> to (str)
error_max_retry	The number of <i>ProcessingException</i> raised on a message before a message is dropped. Not specified messages will never be dropped (int)
influxdb_measurement	When using InfluxDB, the measurement name for per-message measurements. Defaults to the consumer name. (str)
config	Free-form key-value configuration section for the consumer (obj)

### 3.2.2 Daemon

This section contains the settings required to run the application as a daemon. They are as follows:

user	The username to run as when the process is daemonized (bool)
group	Optional The group name to switch to when the process is daemonized (str)
pidfile	The pidfile to write when the process is daemonized (str)

### 3.2.3 Logging

rejected uses `logging.config.dictConfig` to create a flexible method for configuring the python standard logging module. If rejected is being run in Python 2.6, `logutils.dictconfig.dictConfig` is used instead.

The following basic example illustrates all of the required sections in the dictConfig format, implemented in YAML:

```

version: 1
formatters: []
verbose:
  format: '%(levelname) -10s %(asctime)s %(process)-6d %(processName) -15s %(name) -
  ↪10s %(funcName) -20s: %(message)s'
  datefmt: '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'
handlers:
  console:
    class: logging.StreamHandler
    formatter: verbose
    debug_only: True
loggers:
  rejected:
    handlers: [console]
    level: INFO
    propagate: true
  myconsumer:
    handlers: [console]
    level: DEBUG
  
```

```
propagate: true
disable_existing_loggers: true
incremental: false
```

**Note:** The debug\_only node of the Logging > handlers > console section is not part of the standard dictConfig format. Please see the [Logging Caveats](#) section below for more information.

## Logging Caveats

In order to allow for customizable console output when running in the foreground and no console output when daemonized, a debug\_only node has been added to the standard dictConfig format in the handler section. This method is evaluated when logging is configured and if present, it is removed prior to passing the dictionary to dictConfig if present.

If the value is set to true and the application is not running in the foreground, the configuration for the handler and references to it will be removed from the configuration dictionary.

## Troubleshooting

If you find that your application is not logging anything or sending output to the terminal, ensure that you have created a logger section in your configuration for your consumer package. For example if your Consumer instance is named myconsumer.MyConsumer make sure there is a myconsumer logger in the logging configuration.

## 3.3 Command-Line Options

The rejected command line application allows you to spawn the rejected process as a daemon. Additionally it has options for running interactively (-f), which along with the -o switch for specifying a single consumer to run and -q to specify quantity, makes for easier debugging.

If you specify -P /path/to/write/data/to, rejected will automatically enable cProfile, writing the profiling data to the path specified. This can be used in conjunction with graphviz to diagram code execution and hotspots.

### 3.3.1 Help

```
usage: rejected [-h] [-c CONFIG] [-f] [-P PROFILE] [-o CONSUMER]
                 [-p PREPEND_PATH] [-q QUANTITY]

RabbitMQ consumer framework

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -c CONFIG, --config CONFIG
                        Path to the configuration file
  -f, --foreground      Run the application interactively
  -P PROFILE, --profile PROFILE
                        Profile the consumer modules, specifying the output
                        directory.
  -o CONSUMER, --only CONSUMER
                        Only run the consumer specified
```

```
-p PREPEND_PATH, --prepend-path PREPEND_PATH
    Prepend the python path with the value.
-q QUANTITY, --qty QUANTITY
    Run the specified quantity of consumer processes when
    used in conjunction with -o
```

# CHAPTER 4

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## API Documentation

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### 4.1 Consumer API

The `Consumer`, `PublishingConsumer`, `SmartConsumer`, and `SmartPublishingConsumer` provide base classes to extend for consumer applications.

While the `Consumer` class provides all the structure required for implementing a rejected consumer, the `SmartConsumer` adds functionality designed to make writing consumers even easier. When messages are received by consumers extending `SmartConsumer`, if the message's `content_type` property contains one of the supported mime-types, the message body will automatically be deserialized, making the serialized message body available via the `body` attribute. Additionally, should one of the supported `content_encoding` types (`gzip` or `bzip2`) be specified in the message's `property`, it will automatically be decoded.

#### 4.1.1 Message Type Validation

In any of the consumer base classes, if the `MESSAGE_TYPE` attribute is set, the `type` property of incoming messages will be validated against when a message is received, checking for string equality against the `MESSAGE_TYPE` attribute. If they are not matched, the consumer will not process the message and will drop the message without an exception if the `DROP_INVALID_MESSAGES` attribute is set to `True`. If it is `False`, a `ConsumerException` is raised.

#### 4.1.2 Consumer Classes

##### `Consumer`

```
class rejected.consumer.Consumer(settings, process, drop_invalid_messages=None,
                                 message_type=None, error_exchange=None, error_max_retry=None)
```

Base consumer class that defines the contract between rejected and consumer applications.

In any of the consumer base classes, if the `message_type` is specified in the configuration (or set with the `MESSAGE_TYPE` attribute), the `type` property of incoming messages will be validated against when a

message is received. If there is no match, the consumer will not process the message and will drop the message without an exception if the `drop_invalid_messages` setting is set to True in the configuration (or if the `DROP_INVALID_MESSAGES` attribute is set to True). If it is False, a `MessageException` is raised.

If a consumer raises a `~rejected.consumer.ProcessingException`, the message that was being processed will be republished to the exchange specified by the `error` exchange configuration value or the `ERROR_EXCHANGE` attribute of the consumer's class. The message will be published using the routing key that was last used for the message. The original message body and properties will be used and an additional header `X-Processing-Exceptions` will be added that will contain the number of times the message has had a `ProcessingException` raised for it. In combination with a queue that has `x-message-ttl` set and `x-dead-letter-exchange` that points to the original exchange for the queue the consumer is consuming off of, you can implement a delayed retry cycle for messages that are failing to process due to external resource or service issues.

If `error_max_retry` is specified in the configuration or `ERROR_MAX_RETRY` is set on the class, the headers for each method will be inspected and if the value of `X-Processing-Exceptions` is greater than or equal to the specified value, the message will be dropped.

### Parameters

- `settings` (`dict`) – The configuration from rejected
- `process` (`rejected.process.Process`) – The controlling process
- `drop_invalid_messages` (`bool`) – Drop a message if its type property doesn't match the specified message type.
- `message_type` (`str/list`) – Used to validate the message type of a message before processing. This attribute can be set to a string that is matched against the AMQP message type or a list of acceptable message types.
- `error_exchange` (`str`) – The exchange to publish a message raising a `ProcessingException` to
- `error_max_retry` (`int`) – The number of :exc:`~rejected.consumer.ProcessingException`'s raised on a message before a message is dropped. If not specified, messages will never be dropped.

#### `app_id`

Access the current message's `app_id` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `body`

Access the opaque body from the current message.

**Return type** `str`

#### `configuration`

Access the configuration stanza for the consumer as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

Deprecated since version 3.1: Use `settings` instead.

**Return type** `dict`

#### `content_encoding`

Access the current message's `content_encoding` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `content_type`

Access the current message's `content_type` property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: str

**correlation\_id**

Access the current message's correlation-id property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**exchange**

Access the exchange the message was published to as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**expiration**

Access the current message's expiration property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**finish()**

Finishes message processing for the current message.

**headers**

Access the current message's headers property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** dict

**initialize()**

Extend this method for any initialization tasks that occur only when the *Consumer* class is created.

**log\_exception(msg\_format, \*args, \*\*kwargs)**

Customize the logging of uncaught exceptions.

**Parameters**

- **msg\_format** (str) – format of msg to log with self.logger.error
- **args** – positional arguments to pass to self.logger.error
- **kwargs** – keyword args to pass into self.logger.error
- **send\_to\_sentry** (bool) – if omitted or *truthy*, this keyword will send the captured exception to Sentry (if enabled).

By default, this method will log the message using `logging.Logger.error()` and send the exception to Sentry. If an exception is currently active, then the traceback will be logged at the debug level.

**message\_id**

Access the current message's message-id property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: str

**message\_type**

Access the current message's type property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**name**

Property returning the name of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**on\_finish()**

Called after the end of a request. Override this method to perform cleanup, logging, etc. This method is a counterpart to *prepare*. *on\_finish* may not produce any output, as it is called after the response has been sent to the client.

**prepare()**

Called when a message is received before *process*.

Asynchronous support: Decorate this method with `.gen.coroutine` or `.return_future` to make it asynchronous (the `asynchronous` decorator cannot be used on *prepare*).

If this method returns a `.Future` execution will not proceed until the `.Future` is done.

**priority**

Access the current message's priority property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `int`

**process()**

Extend this method for implementing your Consumer logic.

If the message can not be processed and the Consumer should stop after n failures to process messages, raise the `ConsumerException`.

**Raises** `ConsumerException`

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

**properties**

Access the current message's properties in dict form as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `dict`

**redelivered**

Indicates if the current message has been redelivered.

**Return type** `bool`

**reply\_to**

Access the current message's `reply-to` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**require\_setting(name, feature='this feature')**

Raises an exception if the given app setting is not defined.

**Parameters**

- **name** (`str`) – The parameter name
- **feature** (`str`) – A friendly name for the setting feature

**routing\_key**

Access the routing key for the current message.

**Return type** `str`

**send\_exception\_to\_sentry(exc\_info)**

Send an exception to Sentry if enabled.

**Parameters** `exc_info` (`tuple`) – exception information as returned from `sys.exc_info()`

**sentry\_client**

Access the Sentry raven Client instance or None

Use this object to add tags or additional context to Sentry error reports (see `raven.base.Client.tags_context()`) or to report messages (via `raven.base.Client.captureMessage()`) directly to Sentry.

**Return type** `raven.base.Client`

**set\_sentry\_context(tag, value)**

Set a context tag in Sentry for the given key and value.

**Parameters**

- **tag** (`str`) – The context tag name

- **value** (*str*) – The context value

**settings**

Access the consumer settings as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

**Return type** `dict`**shutdown()**

Override to cleanly shutdown when rejected is stopping

**stats\_add\_timing(key, duration)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

**stats\_incr(key, value=1)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_tag(key, value=1)**

Set the specified tag/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_value(key, value=1)**

Set the specified key/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_track\_duration(\*args, \*\*kwds)**

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** `key` (*str*) – The key for the timing to track**statsd\_add\_timing(key, duration)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**statsd\_incr(key, value=1)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

#### **statsd\_track\_duration** (*key*)

Time around a context and add to the per-message measurements

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

#### **timestamp**

Access the unix epoch timestamp value from the properties of the current message.

**Return type** *int*

#### **unset\_sentry\_context** (*tag*)

Remove a context tag from sentry

**Parameters** **tag** (*str*) – The context tag to remove

#### **user\_id**

Access the user-id from the current message's properties.

**Return type** *str*

#### **yield\_to\_ioloop** (\**args*, \*\**kwargs*)

Function that will allow Rejected to process IOLoop events while in a tight-loop inside an asynchronous consumer.

## PublishingConsumer

```
class rejected.consumer.PublishingConsumer(settings, process, drop_invalid_messages=None,  
                                         message_type=None, error_exchange=None, error_max_retry=None)
```

The PublishingConsumer extends the Consumer class, adding two methods, one that allows for *publishing* of messages back on the same channel that the consumer is communicating on and another for *replying to messages*, adding RPC reply semantics to the outbound message.

In any of the consumer base classes, if the MESSAGE\_TYPE attribute is set, the type property of incoming messages will be validated against when a message is received, checking for string equality against the MESSAGE\_TYPE attribute. If they are not matched, the consumer will not process the message and will drop the message without an exception if the DROP\_INVALID\_MESSAGES attribute is set to True. If it is False, a ConsumerException is raised.

#### Parameters

- **settings** (*dict*) – The configuration from rejected
- **process** (*rejected.process.Process*) – The controlling process
- **drop\_invalid\_messages** (*bool*) – Drop a message if its type property doesn't match the specified message type.
- **message\_type** (*str/list*) – Used to validate the message type of a message before processing. This attribute can be set to a string that is matched against the AMQP message type or a list of acceptable message types.
- **error\_exchange** (*str*) – The exchange to publish *ProcessingException* to

- **error\_max\_retry** (`int`) – The number of `ProcessingException`'s raised on a message before a message is dropped. If not specified, messages will never be dropped.

**app\_id**

Access the current message's `app-id` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**body**

Access the opaque body from the current message.

**Return type** `str`

**configuration**

Access the configuration stanza for the consumer as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

Deprecated since version 3.1: Use `settings` instead.

**Return type** `dict`

**content\_encoding**

Access the current message's `content-encoding` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**content\_type**

Access the current message's `content-type` property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: `str`

**correlation\_id**

Access the current message's `correlation-id` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**exchange**

Access the exchange the message was published to as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**expiration**

Access the current message's `expiration` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**finish()**

Finishes message processing for the current message.

**headers**

Access the current message's `headers` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `dict`

**log\_exception** (`msg_format, *args, **kwargs`)

Customize the logging of uncaught exceptions.

**Parameters**

- **msg\_format** (`str`) – format of msg to log with `self.logger.error`
- **args** – positional arguments to pass to `self.logger.error`
- **kwargs** – keyword args to pass into `self.logger.error`
- **send\_to\_sentry** (`bool`) – if omitted or *truthy*, this keyword will send the captured exception to Sentry (if enabled).

By default, this method will log the message using `logging.Logger.error()` and send the exception to Sentry. If an exception is currently active, then the traceback will be logged at the debug level.

**message\_id**

Access the current message's `message_id` property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: str

**message\_type**

Access the current message's `type` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**name**

Property returning the name of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**on\_finish()**

Called after the end of a request. Override this method to perform cleanup, logging, etc. This method is a counterpart to `prepare`. `on_finish` may not produce any output, as it is called after the response has been sent to the client.

**prepare()**

Called when a message is received before `process`.

Asynchronous support: Decorate this method with `.gen.coroutine` or `.return_future` to make it asynchronous (the `asynchronous` decorator cannot be used on `prepare`).

If this method returns a `.Future` execution will not proceed until the `.Future` is done.

**priority**

Access the current message's `priority` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** int

**process()**

Extend this method for implementing your Consumer logic.

If the message can not be processed and the Consumer should stop after n failures to process messages, raise the `ConsumerException`.

**Raises** `ConsumerException`

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

**properties**

Access the current message's properties in dict form as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** dict

**publish\_message** (*exchange*, *routing\_key*, *properties*, *body*)

Publish a message to RabbitMQ on the same channel the original message was received on.

**Parameters**

- **exchange** (str) – The exchange to publish to
- **routing\_key** (str) – The routing key to publish with
- **properties** (dict) – The message properties
- **body** (str) – The message body

**redelivered**

Indicates if the current message has been redelivered.

**Return type** bool

**reply**(*response\_body*, *properties*, *auto\_id=True*, *exchange=None*, *reply\_to=None*)

Reply to the received message.

If *auto\_id* is True, a new `uuid4` value will be generated for the `message_id` and `correlation_id` will be set to the `message_id` of the original message. In addition, the timestamp will be assigned the current time of the message. If *auto\_id* is False, neither the `message_id` or the `correlation_id` will be changed in the `properties`.

If `exchange` is not set, the exchange the message was received on will be used.

If `reply_to` is set in the original properties, it will be used as the routing key. If the `reply_to` is not set in the properties and it is not passed in, a `ValueException` will be raised. If `reply_to` is set in the properties, it will be cleared out prior to the message being republished.

**Parameters**

- **response\_body** (`any`) – The message body to send
- **properties** (`rejected.data.Properties`) – Message properties to use
- **auto\_id** (`bool`) – Automatically shuffle `message_id` & `correlation_id`
- **exchange** (`str`) – Override the exchange to publish to
- **reply\_to** (`str`) – Override the `reply_to` in the properties

**Raises** `ValueError`**reply\_to**

Access the current message's `reply-to` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`**require\_setting**(*name*, *feature='this feature'*)

Raises an exception if the given app setting is not defined.

**Parameters**

- **name** (`str`) – The parameter name
- **feature** (`str`) – A friendly name for the setting feature

**routing\_key**

Access the routing key for the current message.

**Return type** `str`**send\_exception\_to\_sentry**(*exc\_info*)

Send an exception to Sentry if enabled.

**Parameters** **exc\_info** (`tuple`) – exception information as returned from `sys.exc_info()`

**sentry\_client**

Access the Sentry raven Client instance or None

Use this object to add tags or additional context to Sentry error reports (see `raven.base.Client.tags_context()`) or to report messages (via `raven.base.Client.captureMessage()`) directly to Sentry.

**Return type** `raven.base.Client`**set\_sentry\_context**(*tag*, *value*)

Set a context tag in Sentry for the given key and value.

**Parameters**

- **tag** (*str*) – The context tag name
- **value** (*str*) – The context value

#### **settings**

Access the consumer settings as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

**Return type** `dict`

#### **shutdown()**

Override to cleanly shutdown when rejected is stopping

#### **stats\_add\_timing(*key, duration*)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

##### **Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

#### **stats\_incr(*key, value=1*)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

##### **Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

#### **stats\_set\_tag(*key, value=1*)**

Set the specified tag/value in the per-message measurements

##### **Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

#### **stats\_set\_value(*key, value=1*)**

Set the specified key/value in the per-message measurements

##### **Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

#### **stats\_track\_duration(\*args, \*\*kwds)**

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track

#### **statsd\_add\_timing(*key, duration*)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

##### **Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

#### **statsd\_incr(*key, value=1*)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

## Parameters

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

### **statsd\_track\_duration** (*key*)

Time around a context and add to the per-message measurements

#### Parameters **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

### **timestamp**

Access the unix epoch timestamp value from the properties of the current message.

#### Return type **int**

### **unset\_sentry\_context** (*tag*)

Remove a context tag from sentry

#### Parameters **tag** (*str*) – The context tag to remove

### **user\_id**

Access the user-id from the current message's properties.

#### Return type **str**

### **yield\_to\_ioloop** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Function that will allow Rejected to process IOLoop events while in a tight-loop inside an asynchronous consumer.

## SmartConsumer

```
class rejected.consumer.SmartConsumer(settings, process, drop_invalid_messages=None,
                                         message_type=None, error_exchange=None, error_max_retry=None)
```

Base class to ease the implementation of strongly typed message consumers that validate and automatically decode and deserialize the inbound message body based upon the message properties. Additionally, should one of the supported `content_encoding` types (`gzip` or `bzip2`) be specified in the message's property, it will automatically be decoded.

*Supported MIME types for automatic deserialization are:*

- application/json
- application/pickle
- application/x-pickle
- application/x-plist
- application/x-vnd.python.pickle
- application/vnd.python.pickle
- text/csv
- text/html (with beautifulsoup4 installed)
- text/xml (with beautifulsoup4 installed)
- text/yaml

- `text/x-yaml`

In any of the consumer base classes, if the `MESSAGE_TYPE` attribute is set, the `type` property of incoming messages will be validated against when a message is received, checking for string equality against the `MESSAGE_TYPE` attribute. If they are not matched, the consumer will not process the message and will drop the message without an exception if the `DROP_INVALID_MESSAGES` attribute is set to `True`. If it is `False`, a `ConsumerException` is raised.

### Parameters

- `settings` (`dict`) – The configuration from `rejected`
- `process` (`rejected.process.Process`) – The controlling process
- `drop_invalid_messages` (`bool`) – Drop a message if its `type` property doesn't match the specified message type.
- `message_type` (`str/list`) – Used to validate the message type of a message before processing. This attribute can be set to a string that is matched against the AMQP message type or a list of acceptable message types.
- `error_exchange` (`str`) – The exchange to publish `ProcessingException` to
- `error_max_retry` (`int`) – The number of `ProcessingException`'s raised on a message before a message is dropped. If not specified, messages will never be dropped.

#### `app_id`

Access the current message's `app_id` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `body`

Return the message body, unencoded if needed, deserialized if possible.

**Return type** `any`

#### `configuration`

Access the configuration stanza for the consumer as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

Deprecated since version 3.1: Use `settings` instead.

**Return type** `dict`

#### `content_encoding`

Access the current message's `content_encoding` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `content_type`

Access the current message's `content_type` property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: `str`

#### `correlation_id`

Access the current message's `correlation_id` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `exchange`

Access the exchange the message was published to as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

#### `expiration`

Access the current message's `expiration` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**finish()**

Finishes message processing for the current message.

**headers**

Access the current message's `headers` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `dict`

**initialize()**

Extend this method for any initialization tasks that occur only when the *Consumer* class is created.

**log\_exception (msg\_format, \*args, \*\*kwargs)**

Customize the logging of uncaught exceptions.

**Parameters**

- **msg\_format** (`str`) – format of msg to log with `self.logger.error`
- **args** – positional arguments to pass to `self.logger.error`
- **kwargs** – keyword args to pass into `self.logger.error`
- **send\_to\_sentry** (`bool`) – if omitted or *truthy*, this keyword will send the captured exception to Sentry (if enabled).

By default, this method will log the message using `logging.Logger.error()` and send the exception to Sentry. If an exception is currently active, then the traceback will be logged at the debug level.

**message\_id**

Access the current message's `message_id` property as an attribute of the consumer class. `:rtype: str`

**message\_type**

Access the current message's `type` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**name**

Property returning the name of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**on\_finish()**

Called after the end of a request. Override this method to perform cleanup, logging, etc. This method is a counterpart to *prepare*. `on_finish` may not produce any output, as it is called after the response has been sent to the client.

**prepare()**

Called when a message is received before *process*.

Asynchronous support: Decorate this method with `.gen.coroutine` or `.return_future` to make it asynchronous (the `asynchronous` decorator cannot be used on *prepare*).

If this method returns a `.Future` execution will not proceed until the `.Future` is done.

**priority**

Access the current message's `priority` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `int`

**process()**

Extend this method for implementing your Consumer logic.

If the message can not be processed and the Consumer should stop after n failures to process messages, raise the `ConsumerException`.

**Raises** `ConsumerException`

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

**properties**

Access the current message's properties in dict form as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `dict`

**redelivered**

Indicates if the current message has been redelivered.

**Return type** `bool`

**reply\_to**

Access the current message's `reply-to` property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**require\_setting** (`name, feature='this feature'`)

Raises an exception if the given app setting is not defined.

**Parameters**

- **name** (`str`) – The parameter name
- **feature** (`str`) – A friendly name for the setting feature

**routing\_key**

Access the routing key for the current message.

**Return type** `str`

**send\_exception\_to\_sentry** (`exc_info`)

Send an exception to Sentry if enabled.

**Parameters** `exc_info` (`tuple`) – exception information as returned from `sys.exc_info()`

**sentry\_client**

Access the Sentry raven Client instance or None

Use this object to add tags or additional context to Sentry error reports (see `raven.base.Client.tags_context()`) or to report messages (via `raven.base.Client.captureMessage()`) directly to Sentry.

**Return type** `raven.base.Client`

**set\_sentry\_context** (`tag, value`)

Set a context tag in Sentry for the given key and value.

**Parameters**

- **tag** (`str`) – The context tag name
- **value** (`str`) – The context value

**settings**

Access the consumer settings as specified by the `config` section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

**Return type** `dict`

**shutdown()**

Override to cleanly shutdown when rejected is stopping

**stats\_add\_timing** (`key, duration`)

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

**stats\_incr** (*key, value=1*)

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_tag** (*key, value=1*)

Set the specified tag/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_value** (*key, value=1*)

Set the specified key/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_track\_duration** (\*args, \*\*kwds)

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track**statsd\_add\_timing** (*key, duration*)

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**statsd\_incr** (*key, value=1*)

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**statsd\_track\_duration** (*key*)

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**timestamp**

Access the unix epoch timestamp value from the properties of the current message.

**Return type** `int`

`unset_sentry_context(tag)`

Remove a context tag from sentry

**Parameters** `tag(str)` – The context tag to remove

**user\_id**

Access the user-id from the current message's properties.

**Return type** `str`

`yield_to_ioloop(*args, **kwargs)`

Function that will allow Rejected to process IOLoop events while in a tight-loop inside an asynchronous consumer.

## SmartPublishingConsumer

```
class rejected.consumer.SmartPublishingConsumer(settings, process,
                                                drop_invalid_messages=None, message_type=None, error_exchange=None,
                                                error_max_retry=None)
```

PublishingConsumer with serialization built in

**Parameters**

- `settings(dict)` – The configuration from rejected
- `process(rejected.process.Process)` – The controlling process
- `drop_invalid_messages(bool)` – Drop a message if its type property doesn't match the specified message type.
- `message_type(str/list)` – Used to validate the message type of a message before processing. This attribute can be set to a string that is matched against the AMQP message type or a list of acceptable message types.
- `error_exchange(str)` – The exchange to publish *ProcessingException* to
- `error_max_retry(int)` – The number of *ProcessingException*'s raised on a message before a message is dropped. If not specified, messages will never be dropped.

**app\_id**

Access the current message's app-id property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**body**

Return the message body, unencoded if needed, deserialized if possible.

**Return type** `any`

**configuration**

Access the configuration stanza for the consumer as specified by the config section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

Deprecated since version 3.1: Use `settings` instead.

**Return type** `dict`

**content\_encoding**

Access the current message's content-encoding property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `str`

**content\_type**

Access the current message's content-type property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: str

**correlation\_id**

Access the current message's correlation-id property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**exchange**

Access the exchange the message was published to as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**expiration**

Access the current message's expiration property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**finish()**

Finishes message processing for the current message.

**headers**

Access the current message's headers property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** dict

**log\_exception(msg\_format, \*args, \*\*kwargs)**

Customize the logging of uncaught exceptions.

**Parameters**

- **msg\_format** (str) – format of msg to log with self.logger.error
- **args** – positional arguments to pass to self.logger.error
- **kwargs** – keyword args to pass into self.logger.error
- **send\_to\_sentry** (bool) – if omitted or *truthy*, this keyword will send the captured exception to Sentry (if enabled).

By default, this method will log the message using `logging.Logger.error()` and send the exception to Sentry. If an exception is currently active, then the traceback will be logged at the debug level.

**message\_id**

Access the current message's message-id property as an attribute of the consumer class. :rtype: str

**message\_type**

Access the current message's type property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**name**

Property returning the name of the consumer class.

**Return type** str

**on\_finish()**

Called after the end of a request. Override this method to perform cleanup, logging, etc. This method is a counterpart to *prepare*. *on\_finish* may not produce any output, as it is called after the response has been sent to the client.

**prepare()**

Called when a message is received before *process*.

Asynchronous support: Decorate this method with `.gen.coroutine` or `.return_future` to make it asynchronous (the `asynchronous` decorator cannot be used on *prepare*).

If this method returns a `.Future` execution will not proceed until the `.Future` is done.

**priority**

Access the current message's priority property as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `int`

**process()**

Extend this method for implementing your Consumer logic.

If the message can not be processed and the Consumer should stop after n failures to process messages, raise the `ConsumerException`.

**Raises** `ConsumerException`

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

**properties**

Access the current message's properties in dict form as an attribute of the consumer class.

**Return type** `dict`

**publish\_message** (`exchange`, `routing_key`, `properties`, `body`, `no_serialization=False`,  
`no_encoding=False`)

Publish a message to RabbitMQ on the same channel the original message was received on.

By default, if you pass a non-string object to the body and the properties have a supported content-type set, the body will be auto-serialized in the specified content-type.

If the properties do not have a timestamp set, it will be set to the current time.

If you specify a content-encoding in the properties and the encoding is supported, the body will be auto-encoded.

Both of these behaviors can be disabled by setting `no_serialization` or `no_encoding` to True.

**Parameters**

- **exchange** (`str`) – The exchange to publish to
- **routing\_key** (`str`) – The routing key to publish with
- **properties** (`dict`) – The message properties
- **body** (`mixed`) – The message body to publish
- **no\_serialization** – Turn off auto-serialization of the body
- **no\_encoding** – Turn off auto-encoding of the body

**redelivered**

Indicates if the current message has been redelivered.

**Return type** `bool`

**reply** (`response_body`, `properties`, `auto_id=True`, `exchange=None`, `reply_to=None`)

Reply to the received message.

If `auto_id` is True, a new `uuid4` value will be generated for the `message_id` and `correlation_id` will be set to the `message_id` of the original message. In addition, the `timestamp` will be assigned the current time of the message. If `auto_id` is False, neither the `message_id` or the `correlation_id` will be changed in the properties.

If `exchange` is not set, the exchange the message was received on will be used.

If reply\_to is set in the original properties, it will be used as the routing key. If the reply\_to is not set in the properties and it is not passed in, a ValueException will be raised. If reply\_to is set in the properties, it will be cleared out prior to the message being republished.

#### Parameters

- **response\_body** (*any*) – The message body to send
- **properties** (*rejected.data.Properties*) – Message properties to use
- **auto\_id** (*bool*) – Automatically shuffle message\_id & correlation\_id
- **exchange** (*str*) – Override the exchange to publish to
- **reply\_to** (*str*) – Override the reply\_to in the properties

#### Raises ValueError

##### **reply\_to**

Access the current message's reply-to property as an attribute of the consumer class.

#### Return type str

##### **require\_setting** (*name, feature='this feature'*)

Raises an exception if the given app setting is not defined.

#### Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – The parameter name
- **feature** (*str*) – A friendly name for the setting feature

##### **routing\_key**

Access the routing key for the current message.

#### Return type str

##### **send\_exception\_to\_sentry** (*exc\_info*)

Send an exception to Sentry if enabled.

Parameters **exc\_info** (*tuple*) – exception information as returned from `sys.exc_info()`

##### **sentry\_client**

Access the Sentry raven Client instance or None

Use this object to add tags or additional context to Sentry error reports (see `raven.base.Client.tags_context()`) or to report messages (via `raven.base.Client.captureMessage()`) directly to Sentry.

#### Return type raven.base.Client

##### **set\_sentry\_context** (*tag, value*)

Set a context tag in Sentry for the given key and value.

#### Parameters

- **tag** (*str*) – The context tag name
- **value** (*str*) – The context value

##### **settings**

Access the consumer settings as specified by the config section for the consumer in the rejected configuration.

#### Return type dict

**shutdown()**

Override to cleanly shutdown when rejected is stopping

**stats\_add\_timing(key, duration)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

**stats\_incr(key, value=1)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_tag(key, value=1)**

Set the specified tag/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_set\_value(key, value=1)**

Set the specified key/value in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

**stats\_track\_duration(\*args, \*\*kwds)**

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** **key** (*str*) – The key for the timing to track

**statsd\_add\_timing(key, duration)**

Add a timing to the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to add the timing to
- **duration** (*int / float*) – The timing value

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**statsd\_incr(key, value=1)**

Increment the specified key in the per-message measurements

**Parameters**

- **key** (*str*) – The key to increment
- **value** (*int*) – The value to increment the key by

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**statsd\_track\_duration(key)**

Time around a context and add to the the per-message measurements

**Parameters** `key` (`str`) – The key for the timing to track

Deprecated since version 3.13.0.

**timestamp**

Access the unix epoch timestamp value from the properties of the current message.

**Return type** `int`

**unset\_sentry\_context** (`tag`)

Remove a context tag from sentry

**Parameters** `tag` (`str`) – The context tag to remove

**user\_id**

Access the user-id from the current message's properties.

**Return type** `str`

**yield\_to\_ioloop** (\*`args`, \*\*`kwargs`)

Function that will allow Rejected to process IOLoop events while in a tight-loop inside an asynchronous consumer.

### 4.1.3 Exceptions

There are two exception types that consumer applications should raise to handle problems that may arise when processing a message. When these exceptions are raised, rejected will reject the message delivery, letting RabbitMQ know that there was a failure.

The `ConsumerException` should be raised when there is a problem in the consumer itself, such as inability to contact a database server or other resources. When a `ConsumerException` is raised, the message will be rejected and requeued, adding it back to the RabbitMQ it was delivered back to. Additionally, rejected keeps track of consumer exceptions and will shutdown the consumer process and start a new one once a consumer has exceeded its configured maximum error count within a 60 second window. The default maximum error count is 5.

The `MessageException` should be raised when there is a problem with the message. When this exception is raised, the message will be rejected on the RabbitMQ server *without* requeue, discarding the message. This should be done when there is a problem with the message itself, such as a malformed payload or non-supported properties like `content-type` or `type`.

If a consumer raises a `ProcessingException`, the message that was being processed will be republished to the exchange specified by the `ERROR_EXCHANGE` attribute of the `consumer's class` using the routing key that was last used for the message. The original message body and properties will be used and an additional header `X-Processing-Exceptions` will be added that will contain the number of times the message has had a `ProcessingException` raised for it. In combination with a queue that has `x-message-ttl` set and `x-dead-letter-exchange` that points to the original exchange for the queue the consumer is consuming off of, you can implement a delayed retry cycle for messages that are failing to process due to external resource or service issues.

If `ERROR_MAX_RETRY` is set on the class, the headers for each method will be inspected and if the value of `X-Processing-Exceptions` is greater than or equal to the `ERROR_MAX_RETRY` value, the message will be dropped.

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**Note:** If unhandled exceptions are raised by a consumer, they will be caught by rejected, logged, and turned into a `ConsumerException`.

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```
class rejected.consumer.ConsumerException
```

May be called when processing a message to indicate a problem that the Consumer may be experiencing that should cause it to stop.

```
class rejected.consumer.MessageException
```

Invoke when a message should be rejected and not requeued, but not due to a processing error that should cause the consumer to stop.

```
class rejected.consumer.ProcessingException
```

Invoke when a message should be rejected and not requeued, but not due to a processing error that should cause the consumer to stop. This should be used for when you want to reject a message which will be republished to a retry queue, without anything being stated about the exception.

## 4.2 Testing Support

The `rejected.testing.AsyncTestCase` provides a based class for the easy creation of tests for your consumers. The test cases exposes multiple methods to make it easy to setup a consumer and process messages. It is build on top of `tornado.testing.AsyncTestCase` which extends `unittest.TestCase`.

To get started, override the `rejected.testing.AsyncTestCase.get_consumer()` method.

Next, the `rejected.testing.AsyncTestCase.get_settings()` method can be overridden to define the settings that are passed into the consumer.

Finally, to invoke your Consumer as if it were receiving a message, the `process_message()` method should be invoked.

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**Note:** Tests are asynchronous, so each test should be decorated with `gen_test()`.

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### 4.2.1 Example

The following example expects that when the message is processed by the consumer, the consumer will raise a `MessageException`.

```
from rejected import consumer, testing

import my_package


class ConsumerTestCase(testing.AsyncTestCase):

    def get_consumer(self):
        return my_package.Consumer

    def get_settings(self):
        return {'remote_url': 'http://foo'}

    @testing.gen_test
    def test_consumer_raises_message_exception(self):
        with self.assertRaises(consumer.MessageException):
            yield self.process_message({'foo': 'bar'})
```

```
class rejected.testing.AsyncTestCase(methodName='runTest')
    TestCase subclass for testing IOLoop-based asynchronous code.
```

**get\_consumer()**

Override to return the consumer class for testing.

**Return type** class

**get\_settings()**

Override this method to provide settings to the consumer during construction.

**Returns**

**process\_message(\*args, \*\*kwargs)**

Process a message as if it were being delivered by RabbitMQ. When invoked, an AMQP message will be locally created and passed into the consumer. With using the default values for the method, if you pass in a JSON serializable object, the message body will automatically be JSON serialized.

**Parameters**

- **message\_body** (*any*) – the body of the message to create
- **content\_type** (*str*) – The mime type
- **message\_type** (*str*) – identifies the type of message to create
- **properties** (*dict*) – AMQP message properties
- **exchange** (*str*) – The exchange the message should appear to be from
- **routing\_key** (*str*) – The message's routing key

**Raises** rejected.consumer.ConsumerException

**Raises** rejected.consumer.MessageException

**Raises** rejected.consumer.ProcessingException

**Returns** bool

**rejected.testing.gen\_test(func=None, timeout=None)**

Testing equivalent of @gen.coroutine, to be applied to test methods.



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## Issues

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Please report any issues to the Github repo at <https://github.com/gmr/rejected/issues>



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## Source

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rejected source is available on Github at <https://github.com/gmr/rejected>



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