
nineapi Documentation

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So I'm sick and tired with web apps. I want normal adequate desktop apps for all the things.

Same relates to 9GAG. Everyone says there's no official API for 9GAG, but of course there is - you just need to go deeper.

Here's what I did in 20 minutes:

- Decompiling 9GAG app for Android and digging within its JS sources (that's right - JavaScript, not Java: 9GAG app seems to be written in React Native.) to find the logic for signing requests.
- Dumping HTTP traffic with spoofed SSL certificates to see actual request & response bodies.

So far there seem to be multiple domains used including *api.9gag.com*, *ad.9gag.com*, *notify.9gag.com*, *admin.9gag.com* and *comment-cdn.9gag.com*. I was able to make my own requests and retrieve the data I want.

Any fellow coders willing to contribute to this? We would be the first ones to reverse-engineer an actual 9GAG API. How cool is that?

CHAPTER 1

What works?

- Authorization via 9GAG username and password.
- Fetching posts from hot.
- Works for both Python 2.x & 3.x.

CHAPTER 2

Roadmap

- Fetching posts from different categories
- Paginating & loading more posts
- Reading comments
- Writing comments
- Authorization via Facebook & Google.
- Creating posts

Getting started & running tests

```
pip install -r requirements.tst

export NINEGAG_USERNAME=your_username
export NINEGAG_PASSWORD=your_password

nosetests --verbose
```

Simple client example

```
# app.py

from nineapi.client import Client, APIException

client = Client()

try:
    client.log_in('zomgtehlazzers', 'secretnope')
```

```
except APIException as e:
    print('Failed to log in:', e)
else:
    for post in client.get_posts():
        print(post)
```

Client

class nineapi.client.Client (app_id='com.ninegag.android.app', log_level=20)
9GAG API Client.

Create API client instance.

Parameters

- **app_id** – Application id (defaults to ‘com.ninegag.android.app’)
- **log_level** – Logging level (defaults to *logging.INFO*)

class Services

Represents sub-API URLs.

get_posts (group=1, type_=‘hot’, count=10, entry_types=[‘animated’, ‘photo’, ‘video’, ‘album’], olderThan=None, **kwargs)

Fetch posts.

Parameters

- **group** – Posts category (defaults to 1)
- **type** – Posts type (defaults to ‘hot’)
- **count** – Count of posts.
- **entry_types** – list of strings
- **olderThan** – Last seen post (for pagination) - str, Post or None

Returns list of Post

Raises APIException

is_authorized

Authorization status.

log_in (username, password)

Attempt to log in.

Parameters

- **username** – User login.
- **password** – User password.

Returns True

Return type bool

Raises APIException

search_posts_by_tag (query, offset=0, count=10, entry_types=[‘animated’, ‘photo’, ‘video’, ‘album’], sort=‘asc’, **kwargs)

Fetch posts that match specific tag.

Parameters

- **query** – Posts tag
- **offset** – Offset to start from.
- **count** – Count of posts.
- **entry_types** – list of strings
- **sort** – sorting order (“asc” or “desc”) - does not seem to work

Returns list of *Post*

Raises APIException

```
class nineapi.client.Post (client, props)
```

Represents single post.

class Types

Enum for possible post type values.

```
get_media_url()
```

Returns image URL for Photo posts and .WEBM URL for Animated posts.

```
get_top_comments()
```

Retrieves top comments for this post.

```
id
```

Post ID.

```
props
```

Dictionary with post data.

```
title
```

Post title.

```
type
```

Post type.

```
url
```

Post url.

Utils

```
nineapi.utils.get_timestamp()
```

Generate timestamp in milliseconds.

```
nineapi.utils.md5 (string)
```

Hash string with MD5.

```
nineapi.utils.random_sha1()
```

Generate random SHA1 string.

```
nineapi.utils.random_uuid()
```

Generate random UUID string.

```
nineapi.utils.sign_request (timestamp, app_id, device_uuid)
```

Generate signature for HTTP request.

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