# collectd-haproxy Documentation

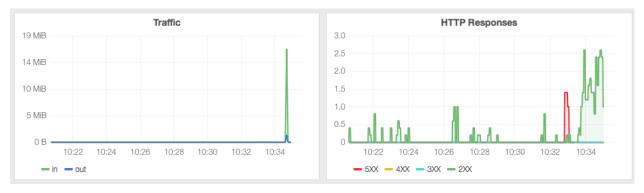
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A plugin for collectd to gather metrics for a local HAProxy instance, with a focus on easy installation and configuration.



(graphs made with Grafana)

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## CHAPTER 1

# Installation

The project is on PyPI so installation is a simple pip command:

```
pip install collectd-haproxy
```

To install manually, first download the current tarball at collectd-haproxy-1.2.1.tar.gz then:

```
tar -zxvf collectd-haproxy-1.2.1.tar.gz
cd collectd-haproxy-1.2.1
python setup.py install
```

**Note:** If collectd is running with a virtualenv activated (under an isolated supervisord setup, for instance) make sure the collectd-haproxy package is installed and available in the virtualenv's module path or collectd will run into an ImportError.

In order to function properly, the local HAProxy instance will need to have the "stats socket" enabled, details about how to do that can be found here.

# Configuration

The most basic configuration is to specify where the HAProxy socket file is located:

```
LoadPlugin "python"

<Plugin python>
    Import "collectd_haproxy"

<Module haproxy>
    Socket "/var/run/haproxy.sock"
    </Module>
</Plugin>
```

For details on all of the options available, see the Configuration docs.

# 2.1 Development

The code is hosted on GitHub

To file a bug or possible enhancement see the Issue Tracker, also found on GitHub.

## 2.2 License

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## 2.2.1 Configuration

Configuring the collectd-haproxy plugin is done just like any other python-based plugin for collectd, for details see the python plugin docs.

There are six available options (only the Socket option is required):

```
LoadPlugin "python"

<Plugin python>
   Import "collectd_haproxy"
```

```
<Module haproxy>
    Socket "/var/run/haproxy.sock"
    IncludeInfo true
    IncludeStats true
    IncludeFrontendStats true
    IncludeBackendStats true
    IncludeServerStats true
    </Module>
</Plugin>
```

## Socket (required)

This is the path where the HAProxy socket file is located, e.g. /var/run/haproxy.sock

#### IncludeInfo

A boolean value denoting whether or not to collect the "info" metrics that describe the state of the whole HAProxy process, metrics such as uptime seconds, current total connections, size of the run queue, etc.

Defaults to true

#### **IncludeStats**

Flag for whether to collect proxy "stats" metrics. These are detailed metrics for individual proxies in HAProxy, such as HTTP status 200 response count, bytes in/out, queued request count, etc. The full list of metrics available can be found in the HAProxy 'show stats' docs.

More granular control of which stats to collectd is available via the *IncludeFrontendStats*, *IncludeBackendStats* and *IncludeServerStats* options.

This option takes precedence over the more granular ones. That is, if IncludeStats is false, no proxy-level stats will be collected regardless of the other Include\*Stats option values.

Defaults to true

#### IncludeFrontendStats

Granular flag for collecting stats for the "frontend" of a proxy, where connections are accepted.

Defaults to true

#### IncludeBackendStats

Granular flag for collecting aggregate stats for the "backend" of a proxy. Each proxy can have any number of individual servers in a backend, and these stats are aggregated across the whole lot.

Defaults to true

#### **IncludeServerStats**

Granular flag for collecting stats for individual servers that make up the backends of proxies.

**Note:** This doesn't include ways to filter specific servers, it merely determines whether stats at the individual server level are collected at all or not.

Defaults to true

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#### collectd\_haproxy.plugin

```
class collectd_haproxy.plugin.HAProxyPlugin(collectd)
```

Bases: object

The plugin class, workhorse that liasons between collectd and HAProxy.

Rather than being instantiated directly, the register() method should be used to make a plugin, since it both creates an instance *and* takes care of the proper callback registration.

**HAProxy Plugin constructor** 

Since the collectd module is only available when the plugin is running in collectd's python process we use some dependency injection here.

**Parameters** collectd (module) – The collectd module.

```
name = 'haproxy'
```

```
classmethod register (collectd)
```

Registers the plugin's callbacks with the given collectd module.

Since the collectd module is only available when the plugin is running in collectd's python process we use some dependency injection here.

**Parameters** collectd (module) – The collectd module.

```
configure (config)
```

The 'configure' collectd callback for the plugin.

Iterates over the config object's children attribute and sets any applicable attributes on the plugin instance.

**Parameters config** (collect.Config) – The collectd Config instance. Passed in automatically by collectd itself.

```
initialize()
```

The 'initialize' collectd callback for the plugin.

This callback fires after the 'config' one but before the 'read' one gets added to the loop.

Instantiates a collectd. Values for each known metric (these are used to dispatch actual values to collectd) as well as sets up the HAProxySocket for fetching the values.

#### read()

The 'read' collectd callback for the plugin.

Simple method that calls <code>collect\_info()</code> and/or <code>collect\_stats()</code> based on the configuration.

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#### collect info()

Method for sending HAProxy "info" metrics to collectd.

Iterates over the metric names and values provided by the socket and dispatches each known one to collectd.

## collect\_stats()

Method for sending HAProxy "info" metrics to collectd.

Iterates over the metric names and values provided by the socket, checking that the metric is a known one and taking care of numeric coercion before dispatching to collectd.

#### collectd\_haproxy.connection

```
class collectd_haproxy.connection.HAProxySocket (collectd, socket_file_path)
```

Bases: object

Class used for interacting with an HAProxy control socket.

Provides two methods for generating metrics, one for the "info" metrics that give process-wide details and the "stats" metrics for individual proxies/servers.

The HAProxySocket constructor.

Since the collectd module is only available when the plugin is running in collectd's python process we use some dependency injection here.

#### **Parameters**

- collectd (module) The collectd module.
- **socket\_file\_path** (*str*) Full path to HAProxy's socket file.

#### send command(command)

Sends a given command to the HAProxy socket.

Collects the response (it can arrive in chunks) and then calls the process\_command\_response method on the result.

**Parameters command** (str) – The command to send, e.g. "show stat"

## process\_command\_response(command, response)

Takes an HAProxy socket command and its response and either raises an appropriate exception or returns the formatted response.

#### **Parameters**

- **command** (str) The command that was run.
- **response** (str) The full response string from running the command.

## gen\_info()

Generator that yields (name, value) tuples for HAProxy info.

These values represent stats for the whole HAProxy process.

#### gen\_stats (include\_frontends, include\_backends, include\_servers)

Generator that yields (name, values) for individual proxies.

Each tuple has two items, the proxy and a dictionary mapping stat field names to their respective values.

#### **Parameters**

• include\_frontends (bool) – Whether or not to include FRONTEND aggregate stats.

- include\_backends (bool) Whether or not to include BACKEND aggregate stats.
- include\_servers (bool) Whether or not to include individual server stats.

#### collectd\_haproxy.compat

```
collectd_haproxy.compat.iteritems (dictionary)
```

Helper function for iterating over (key, value) dict tuples.

In Python 3 the "iteritems()" method went away and "items()" became an iterator method.

**Parameters dictionary** (dict) – The dictionary to iterate over.

```
collectd_haproxy.compat.coerce_long(string)
```

Function for coercing a string into a long ("10.4" -> 10.4).

In Python 3 the long and int types were unified, so no more "long".

**Parameters** string (str) – The string value to coerce.

#### 2.2.3 Release Notes

#### 1.0.0

• Initial public release

#### 1.0.1

• Some small updates to the documentation.

#### 1.1.0

- Added some missing timing metrics, namely qtime, ctime, rtime and ttime.
- Switched to a new documentation theme.
- Added a badge for the pypi version to the README file, links to the pypi page.
- Fixed a style failure with an import not at the top of a file.
- Added a coverage report step to the Travis CI tests.

#### 1.1.1

• Fixed bug where collected module namespace collision would prevent installation.

## 1.2.0

- Fixed up python 3.5 support (hopefully)
- Test coverage now at 100%

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• Add support for 2.6

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