# Infrastructure - Bug #3786

## python libclient should gracefully handle server closed connection

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### Description

Reusing a connection with DataONEBaseClient will fail if the subsequent request is not sent within a few seconds since the server may have closed the connection. This is manifest in an exception "httplib.BadStatusLine", which is really just a symptom of the actual problem, which is that the socket is no longer in a state for writing.

The solution is one of:

- 1. call connection.close() after each request
- 2. trap the exception, close the connection, and reissue the call
- 3. check the socket state before issuing the request

Of these #2 seems most reasonable, since 1. is wasteful, and for 3. the state may have changed between the call to socket.select and the request is made.

To reproduce the issue:

import select import time import httplib import logging import traceback from d1\_client import d1baseclient

logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG) burl = "https://cn.dataone.org/cn" c = d1baseclient.DataONEBaseClient(burl) t0 = time.time()ol = c.listObjects(start=0, count=100) fileno = c.connection.sock.fileno() sockok = True while sockok: res = select.select([fileno],[fileno],[fileno],0) logging.debug("select response: %s" % str(res) ) sockok = res[0] == [] time.sleep(0.5) logging.info( "Delta = %.2f" % (time.time() - t0) ) try: ol = c.listObjects(start=0, count=100) except httplib.BadStatusLine as e: logging.error(traceback.format\_exc()) c.connection.close() ol = c.listObjects(start=0, count=100)

#### History

#1 - 2013-06-04 19:56 - Dave Vieglais

- Description updated

## #2 - 2013-07-12 15:27 - Roger Dahl

- Status changed from New to Closed