Application Programming Interface (API)

An API is a software intermediary that allows two or more applications to talk to each other.

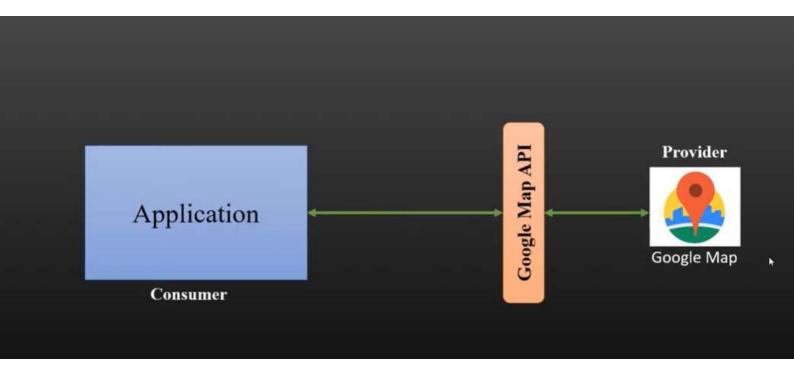


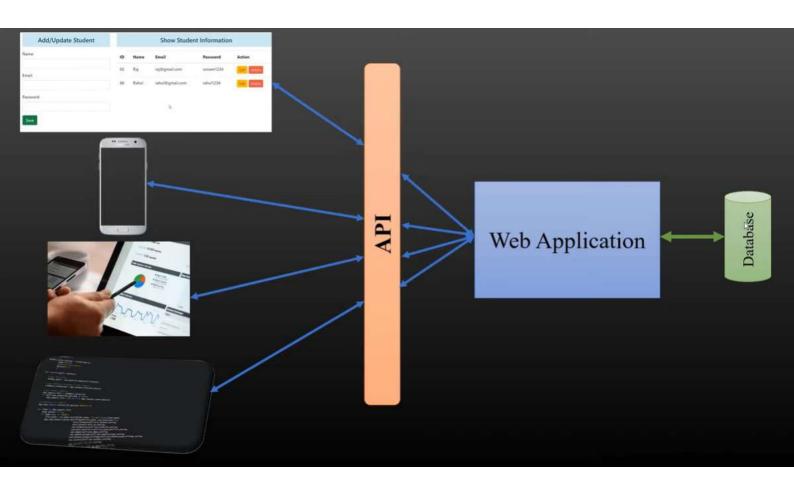


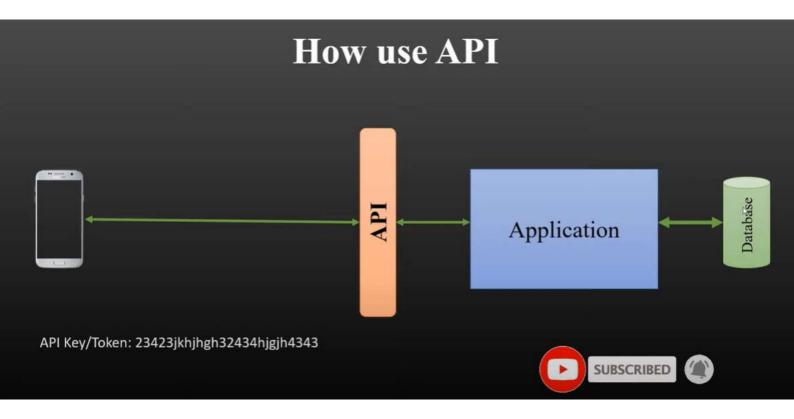


API Type in terms of Release Policies:-

- Private It can be used within the organization.
- Partner It can be used within Business Partners.
- Public It can be used any third party Developers.



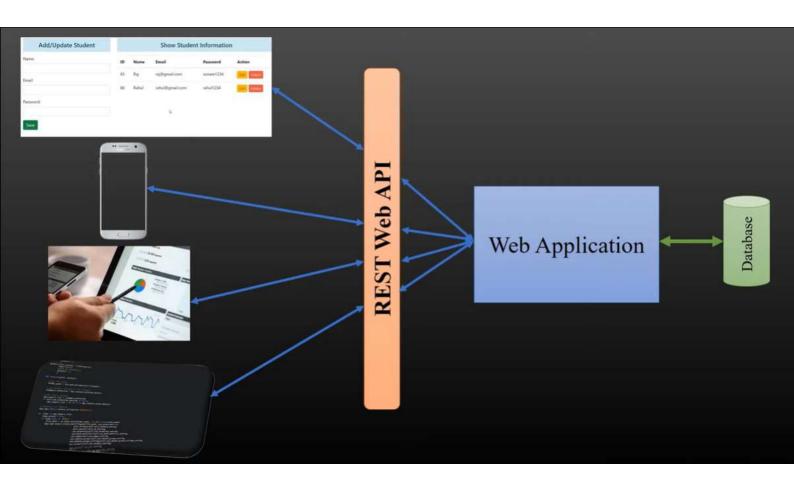




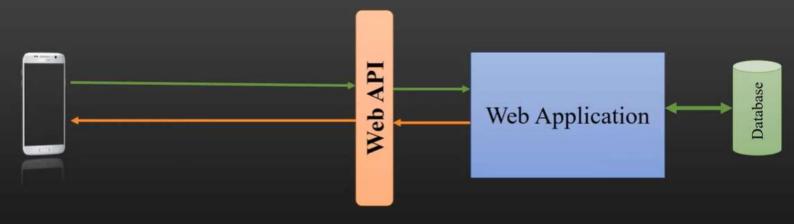
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It is an architectural guideline to develop Web API.

<u>REST API</u>
The API which is developed using REST is known as REST API / RESTful API.







- Client makes HTTP Request to API
- API will communicate to Web Application/Database (If needed)
- Web Application/Database provides required data to API
- · API returns Response Data to Client

Note - Json Data, XML Data

REST API

CRUD Operations:-

Operation	HTTP Methods	Description
Create	POST	Creating/Posting/Inserting Data
Read	GET	Reading/Getting/Retrieving Data
Update	PUT, PATCH	Updating Data Complete Update - PUT Partial Update - PATCH
Delete	DELETE	Deleting Data

Students API Resource



- 1. Base URL
- 2. Naming Convention
- 3. Resource of API or End-Point

Request for All Students

Request
GET: /api/students

• Request for One Student having id = 1

Request

GET: /api/students/1

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Response

[
{"id":1, "name": "Rahul" }
]
```

Request Posting/Creating/Inserting Data

Request

POST: api/students

{"name": "Sumit"}

Response

{"id":11, "name": "Sumit"}

• Request for Updating Data, id = 1

Request PUT or PATCH: /api/students/1 {"name": "Raj" }

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Response
[
{"id":1, "name": "Raj" }
]
```

• Request for Deleting Data, id = 1

Request

DELETE: /api/students/1

Response
{"id":1, "name": "Raj" }

RESTful API

http://geekyshows.com/api/students

GET /api/students

GET /api/students/1

POST /api/students

PUT /api/students/1

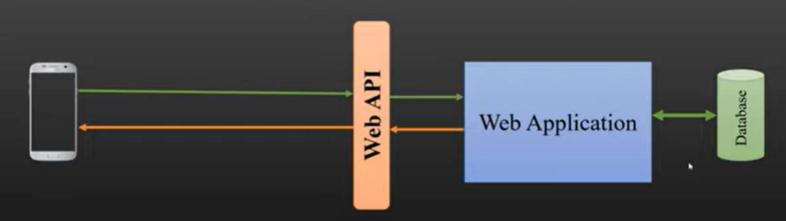
PATCH /api/students/1

DELETE /api/students/1

Web API

An API, which is interface for web is called as Web API. It may consist of one or more endpoints to define request and response.

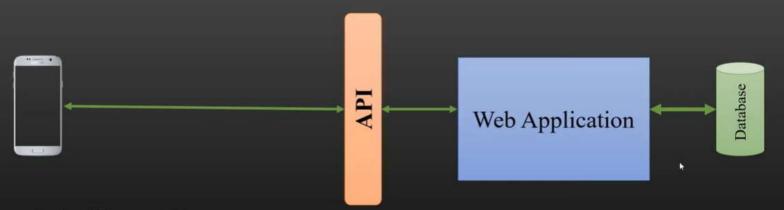




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- · Register/Sign-up to API
- API may provide API Key for Authentication purpose API Key/Token: 23423jkhjhgh32434hjgjh4343
- Whenever you need to communicate with server make Request to API with API Key http://geekyshows.com/?key=23423jkhjhgh32434hjgjh4343
- · If API Key authentication succeed, API will provide required Data