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# Api First vs. Code first

The 'why's and 'how's using Swagger, Spectral and openapi-generator-maven-plugin

# Agenda

- 1. Definitions
- 2. Comparison
- 3. Example

#### **API First**

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   name: Vlad Carcu
   email: vlad.carcu@softvision.com
 description: Sample API
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   variables:
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 - url: https://devserver.domain.com/{custom-base-path}
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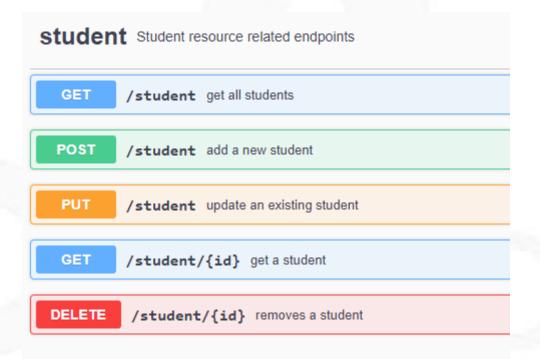
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#### **API First**

- APIs are 'first-class' citizens
- The API is designed and written before (or in parallel to) the code

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- API documentation is generated from the code
- It's mostly seen in code developed before the API was important

## API First vs. Code First - Learning curve

- Same\*, if you've never documented an API
- About 1 day to learn to write .yaml files

#### API First vs. Code First - Quality of development experience

Example situation: document an example response

- API First
  - add an example property to a request parameter, path variable or request body
- Code First
  - add an @Example with @ExampleProperty to a response

#### API First vs. Code First - Quality of development experience

Example situation: change an existing API

- API First
  - Change is discussed beforehand with the consumers
- Code First
  - Changes are usually discussed only within the local team

#### API First vs. Code First - Governance

Example situation: your company runs an audit on what data they expose

- API First
  - Supports governance
- Code First
  - Good luck with that :)

#### API First vs. Code First – Time to market

#### **API First**

Enables teams to work in parallel, using mocks

#### Code First

Successful collaboration depends more on the developers' availability and interpersonal skills

#### API First vs. Code First – Conclusion

#### **API First**

- Big projects, developed my multiple teams
- Projects with multiple types of clients (web, mobile, other services)
- Company-wide or multi-company initiatives
- Public APIs
- Any project with the potential to grow a lot in the future

- Proofs of concept
- Documenting legacy APIs

#### Available tools

- API Description Languages: OpenAPI, API Blueprint, RAML
- Mock generators: Swagger CodeGen, OpenAPI generator, API Mock, ramlmock-service
- Linters: Spectral, API Blueprint Linter, linter-raml
- Viewers: Swagger UI

#### Tools used

- IDE yml file editing
- Spectral OpenAPI v3 file validation
- OpenAPI generator generate server stubs and feign client
- Swagger UI API visualization and testing

#### Resources

- https://swagger.io/resources/articles/adopting-an-api-first-approach/ API First description
- https://swagger.io/docs/specification/about/ Swagger OpenAPI specification documentation
- https://springdoc.github.io/springdoc-openapi-demos/faq.html SpringDoc documentation
- https://github.com/swagger-api/swagger-codegen Swagger CodeGen
- https://github.com/OpenAPITools/openapi-generator OpenApi generator
- https://github.com/stoplightio/spectral Spectral JSON/YAML linter
- https://openapi.tools/ OpenAPI tools
- https://apiblueprint.org/tools.html API Blueprint tools
- https://raml.org/projects RAML tools

# Example

# Q&A

Thank you!

