1 - REST API, SQL and ORM

1. Learning Outcomes

On completion of this lab you will have:

- Created a simple HTTP endpoint in NodeJS
- Interfaced between Node and Postgres using Massive JS
- Executed simple Postgres queries using SQL and exposed those using an HTTP API
- Demonstrated how SQL injection can be performed on a badly implemented RDMBS backend interface
- Implement SQL-injection proofing in your implementation
- Implemented an API model layer using the Sequelize object relational mapper
- Implemented API in Express using an ORM-based model layer

2. Organisation

Please complete the exercises individually.

3. Grading

This worksheet is worth up to 10% of your overall module grade. You must attend and sign in at 10 labs in order to obtain full credit for your submitted worksheets. You may work on this worksheet during lab 1 and lab 2 with instructor assistance. You must also demonstrate your submission in order to receive credit - see below.

4. Submission

The deadline for submission is Sunday Feb 11, 2018 @23:59 through Webcourses.

Demonstration

You will give a brief demonstration of your submission to the lab instructor in lab 3.

6. Requirements

For this lab you will need to

- Use your own laptop with local tools or,
- Sign up for a free account with a cloud provider

7. Resources

You are free to research whatever you need to solve the problems in this lab. Some recommended resources include:

- https://nodejs.org/en/
- https://www.postgresql.org/download/windows/
- https://www.postgresgl.org/download/macosx/
- http://postgresquide.com/setup/example.html
- http://massive-js.readthedocs.io/en/latest/
- http://www.craigkerstiens.com/2015/11/30/massive-node-postgres-an-overview-and-intro
- http://expressjs.com/
- http://www.unixwiz.net/techtips/sql-injection.html
- http://mherman.org/blog/2015/10/22/node-postgres-sequelize/#.WJ9-aBKLSRt
- http://docs.sequelizejs.com/en/v3/

8. Setting Up

The following platform-independent tasks can be solved on Windows, Mac local Linux or Cloud Linux as you prefer

Install Node JS (*) on your laptop or sign up for a free cloud-based Node provider.

Verify that ${\bf node}$ and ${\bf npm}$ are installed and working correctly

- (*) This tutorial guide assumes you are using NodeJS as your server environment. However, you are free to choose whatever server environment you like but you have to do the appropriate translation of the instructions here.
- 2 Create a new project folder, change into it and run the following

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npm init
(entry point: index.js)
npm install express --save
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In your folder, create an **index.js** with the contents from the **Express** tutorial example at https://expressjs.com/en/starter/hello-world.html

	Run and verify that the your endpoint is responding at your designated port. For example on Mac or Linux	
	PORT=3000 npm start	
3	Install a recent of Postgres (*) on your laptop or sign up for a free cloud-based provider (**)	
	 (*) This tutorial guide assumes you have used Postgres as your database. You are free to use any relational database you choose but: It must be relational (so no MongoDB, etc) An you must be prepared to translate any Postgres-specific instructions given here for your chosen database 	
	(**) In some circumstances when using Postgres in the cloud, you may encounter college firewall problems communicating to your database instance. In this case, if available, access the Internet via a tethered phone or other 3G/4G access point	
	Verify that your Postgres server instance is working for your chosen target environment	
4	Load the sample database from the Postgres Guide	
	http://postgresguide.com/setup/example.html	
	Inspect the schema and table data using the psql client, e.g.	
	\d \d products table products;	
5	Install Massive JS from http://massive-js.readthedocs.io/en/latest/	
	Massive JS uses database reflection to create Javascript APIs to allow CRUD operations on a specified schema	
	Following the tutorial at https://massive-js.readthedocs.io/en/v2/quick_start/ , rework the example models to access the pgguide sample database installed in step 4 above (i.e. skip creating the example user model and focus on the user, products , purchases and purchase_items tables from the step 4 sample database instead.	
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NOTE:

It may be necessary to add a primary key to the **purchase_items** table to make it play well with MassiveJS's table reflection facility as follows:

ALTER TABLE purchase_items ADD PRIMARY KEY (id);

9. Problem Sets

For your lab submission, take screenshots or cut-n-paste your solutions into a document or zip archive your generated solutions which you will submit through webcourses

1	Using Node, Express and Massive create the following HTTP API endpoints serving the following resources as JSON documents		
	GET /users	List all users email and sex in order of most recently created. Do not include password hash in your output	
	GET /users/:id	Show above details of the specified user	
	GET /products	List all products in ascending order of price	
	GET /products/:id	Show details of the specified products	
	GET /purchases	List purchase items to include the receiver's name and, address, the purchaser's email address and the price, quantity and delivery status of the purchased item. Order by price in descending order	
	Test each of these endpoints serves the expected data and briefly show how you did this		
2	Building on your solution to part 1 for the API to the products resource from the pgguide database, extend the product indexing endpoint to allow the filtering of products by name as follows		
	<pre>GET /products[?name=string]</pre>		

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	For your solution you should implement the query (badly) in such a way as to allow an attacker to inject arbitrary SQL code into the query execution. Show, using your badly implemented approach, how an attacker can craft a query string to allow the deletion of a product from the products table. For convenience, you can continue to use MassiveJS to interface with the database.			
3	Provide two solutions to eliminate the security hole in your approach from the previous section as follows: • Using a parameterised query • Using a stored procedure using SQL or PLPGSQL whichever you prefer			
	Explicitly show that the injection attack is not now possible for each of your solutions Again, you can just use MassiveJS as your database interface library here too.			
4	Create a brand new Express project using the Sequelize ORM. Install and configure Sequelize and wire it up to the pgguide database Verify that you have basic connectivity before proceeding. Create Sequalize migrations for the pgguide sample database Ensure that the appropriate associations and referential integrity checking are set up in your models			
5	Use your models and Javascript code to populate the database with some additional test data for all of the models above			
6	Reimplement the RESTful API using Sequelize and Express for your system. Your API should support the following CRUD operations as follows, returning JSON responses			
	GET /products[?name=string]	List all products		
	GET /products/:id	Show details of the specified products		
	POST /products	Create a new product instance		

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PUT /products/:id	Update an existing product
DELETE /products/:id	Remove an existing product
Show test cases for each of the	e API endpoint REST operations