## Postman \*

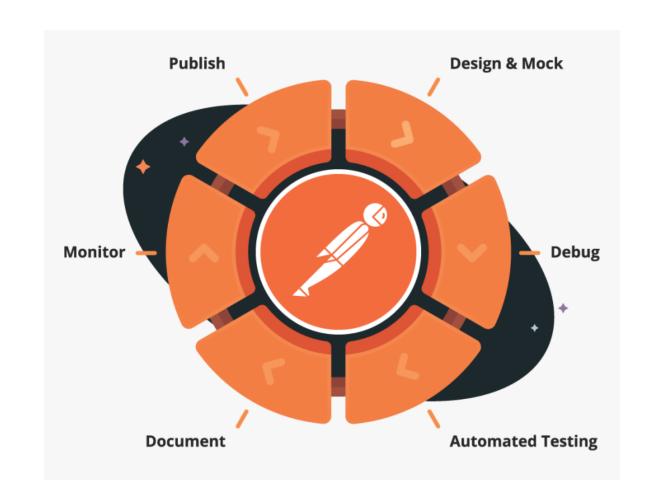


Postman is an API platform for building and using APIs. Postman simplifies each step of the API lifecycle and streamlines collaboration."



#### **Features**

- Make Request(s)
- Test
- Publish, Share & Collaborate
   with your Team or the Public
- Documentation
- Monitor your API Status
- Mock not yet created APIs based on API Definitions



### **Create Requests**

Build collections of requests that read, create, delete data in an API no matter if it's a GraphQL, REST or even gRPC API.

- GET/POST/PUT/DELETE/HEAD
- Query Parameters
- set Headers (including Cookies)
- Form, JSON Bodies
- upload files
- organize those requests in nested folders
- add description to parameters and variables for easy re-use

### **Flexibility**

Create a collection once, use in different environments, for different user(s) and use-cases.

- variables on different levels:
  - collections
  - environment(s)
  - global
- re-use the variables anywhere ( {{variableName}})

More: <u>Defining Variables</u>

### Random Variables 25

Postman uses <u>Faker</u> to provide a whole bunch of different randomly created variables that can be used especially in create request.

Think of:

```
{
    "username": "{{$randomFirstName}}-{{$randomLastName}}",
    "password": "{{$randomPassword}}"
}
```

Creating a new randomly created user each time and uses this user for subsequent requests.

More about <u>Dynamic Variables</u>

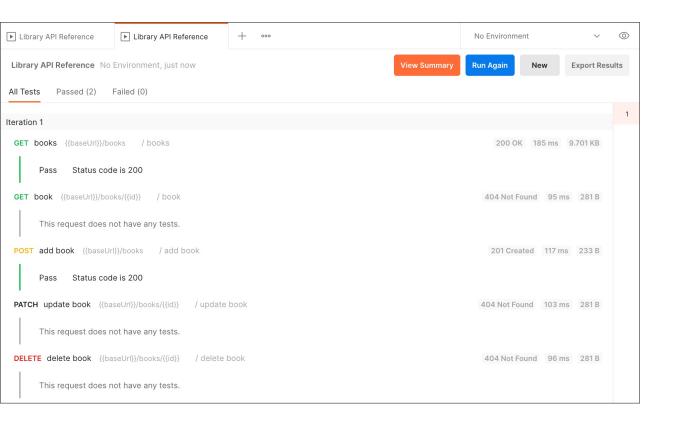
#### **Tests**

Each requests runs Javascript Code when it's done in order to be able to test the results. This makes it easy to add simple (and even complex) assumptions to a single request or even folders or whole collections.

#### Some Examples:

- valide response bodies agains certain schema(s)
- check for presence or values of header(s)
- re-use response data for later request(s)

More Test & Scripting: <a href="https://learning.postman.com/docs/writing-scripts/script-references/test-examples/">https://learning.postman.com/docs/writing-scripts/script-references/test-examples/</a>





A collection can be run alltogether and all requests and tests are executed sequentially and result in a report:

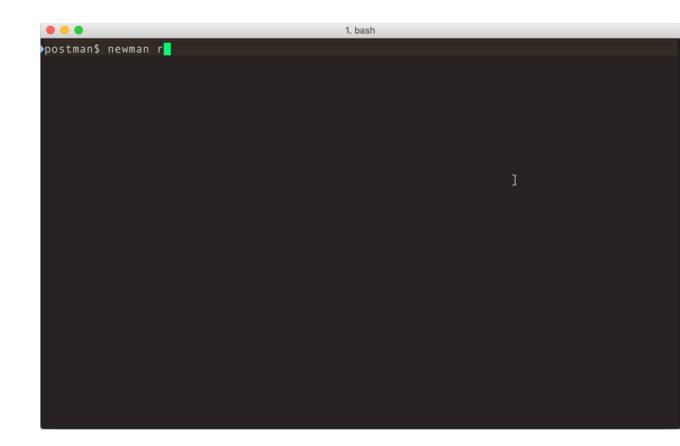
### **Automation**



newman is a command line tool written in nodejs which can run collections and execute it's tests:

npx newman run <collection-json-filename>

More about <u>newman</u>



# Demo Time

- Show simple GET request(s)
- Show GraphQL Request
- Show Test
- Show Collection Run
- Show NewMan
- Show Visualization
- Show Monitoring

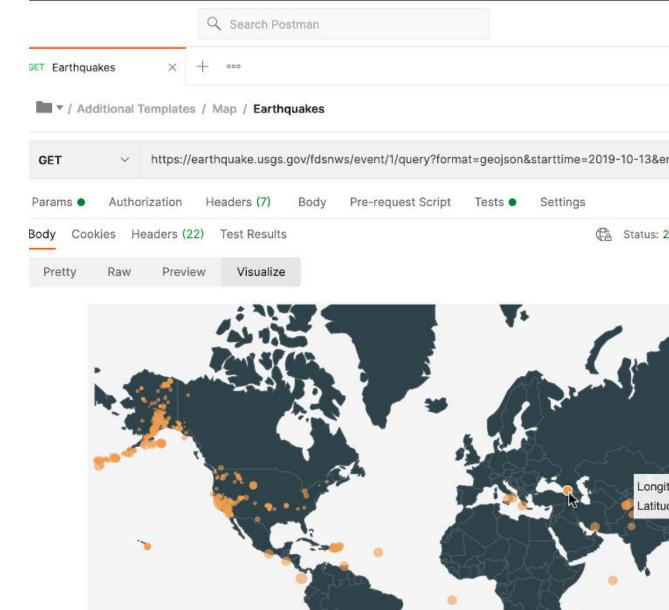
# Outlook

### Visualization **X**



Show data from an API in (interactive) visualisations like tables, charts, maps etc.

More about <u>Visualization</u>





### Monitoring 📋

Run collections every nminute/hour and record the results of it

More about **Monitoring** 

### **Others**

- Sharing
  - Share API Definitions, Documentations, Monitors with the public
  - checkout <u>Bitly API on Postman Explorer</u>
- Mocking
  - Create API definitions and start using them without having a server
- Flows
  - Visually program and connect multiple API requests and process results

Try It! It's free: <a href="http://postman.com">http://postman.com</a>

# Resources =



- Postman API testing by example
- Official Documentation
- Automation tricks with newman



# Thanks for listening!