REST API

API:

It stands for application programming interface

Application: for example youtube

Interface: like endpoint, if you want to search something, you search via some endpoint or interface

Programming: In code, used programming to extract data of application (youtube) via interface(endpoint)

**Thus, programming (P) is used to dealt with application (A) via interface (endpoint) (I), collectively becomes API**

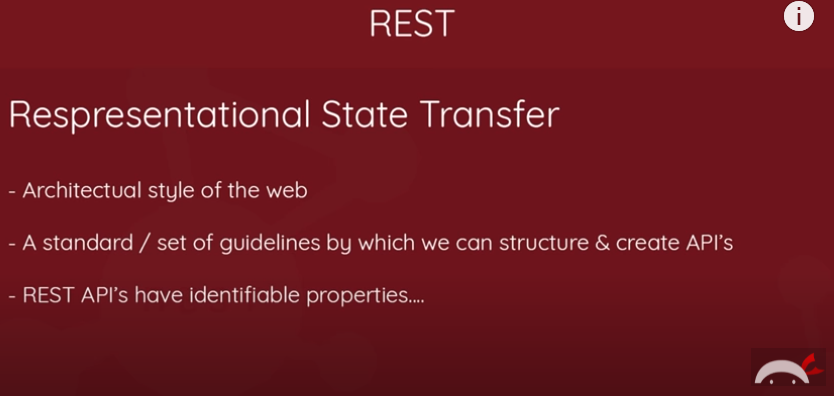


REST:

Respresentational state transfer

Architectual styple of the web

A standard/ set of guidelines by which we can structure and create api

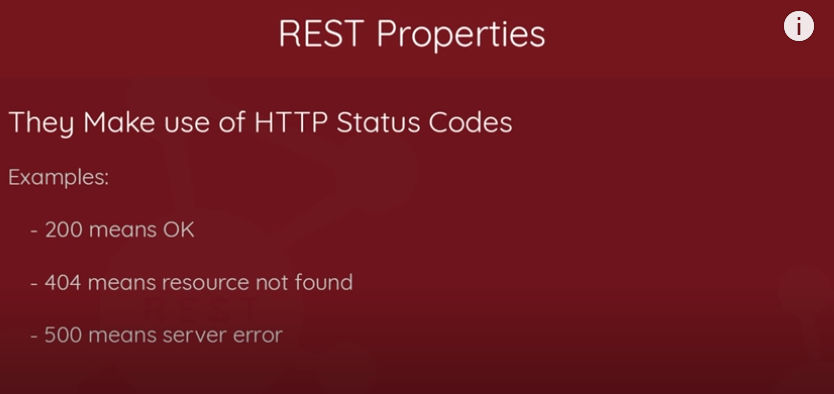


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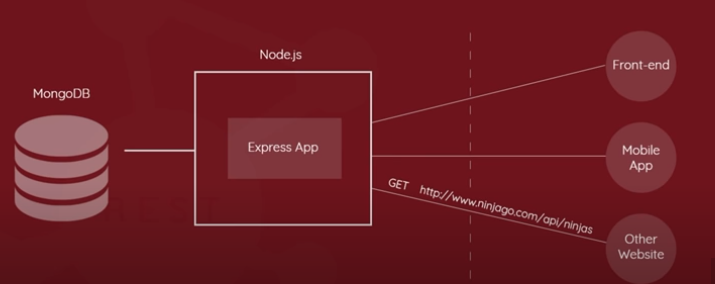
1. Use of Resource Based Url



1. Use of HTTP methods

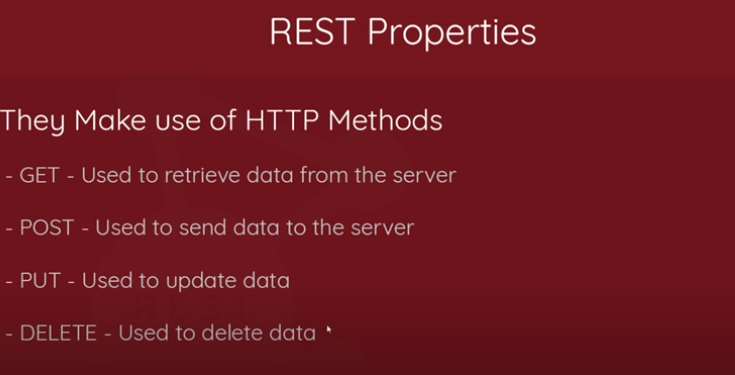


ARCHITECTURE:



HTTP Method:

What request we or client gonna make it

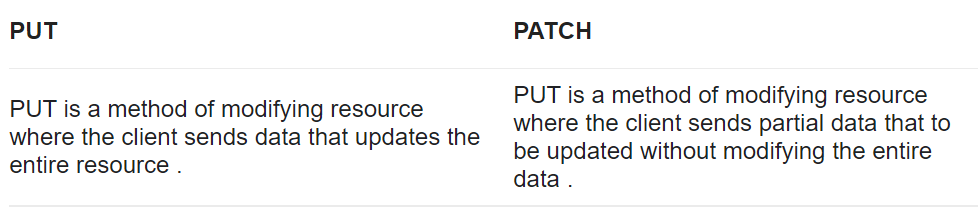


ROUTES:



Update and delete requires id of particular data

PUT and PATCH both used to update the data, then what’s the difference?



START:

Create server.js file

Npm init (to get package.json)

DEPEDENCIES TO INSTALL

Npm I express

Npm I mongoose

Npm I morgan

Npm I nodemon (update package.json)

UPDATE SERVER.JS

const express = require('express')

const morgan = require('morgan')

const mongoose = require('mongoose')

const app = express();

// const productRoutes = require('./api/routes/products')

// const orderRoutes = require('./api/routes/orders')

//mongodb connection

// mongoose.connect('mongodb+srv://admin:Dj21mrMwyo89gAHr@cluster0.dmxhm.mongodb.net/myFirstDatabase?retryWrites=true&w=majority',

// {

//     useNewUrlParser:true,

//     useUnifiedTopology:true

// });

// mongoose.Promise = global.Promise

//middleware

//morgan shows log in terminal or console

app.use(morgan('dev'))

//body parser which is now replaced by express is used to parse body of your choice

app.use(express.urlencoded({extended: false}))//parse simple bodies of url encoded data

app.use(express.json());//this is to extract json data and make it readable

//Insurance to prevent cors error

app.use((req, res, next)=>{

    res.header("Access-Control-Allow-Origin", "\*");

    res.header("Access-Control-Allow-Headers", 'Origin, X-Requested-With, Content-Type, Accept, Authorization');

    if (req.method === 'OPTIONS'){

        res.header("Access-Control-Allow-Methods", "PUT, POST, PATCH, DELETE, GET");

        return res.status(200).json({});

    }

    next();

})

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app.get('/', (req,res, next)=>{

    res.status(200).json({name: "muneeb"})

});

// app.use('/orders', orderRoutes);

//middleware for error handling

//if error not caught by above routes, then below works

//This one is for 404 error, and shows error Not Found

app.use((req, res, next)=>{

    const error = new Error("Not Found");

    error.status = 404;

    next(error);

})

//This one is for all kind of errors, or 500 error

app.use((error, req, res, next)=>{

    res.status(error.status || 500);

    res.json({

        error:{

            message: error.message

        }

    })

})

//SERVER

const port = process.env.PORT || 3000

app.listen(port, ()=>{

    console.log(`listening to ${port}`)

})

Now run [localhost:3000](http://localhost:3000/) and we get {name: “Muneeb” } as in middle ware I am getting res.status(200).json({name:”Muneeb”})

Later I am going to update it with middle ware with app.use and routes in separate file

NEXT STEP IS OF ROUTE