

Working with REST APIs

Introduction

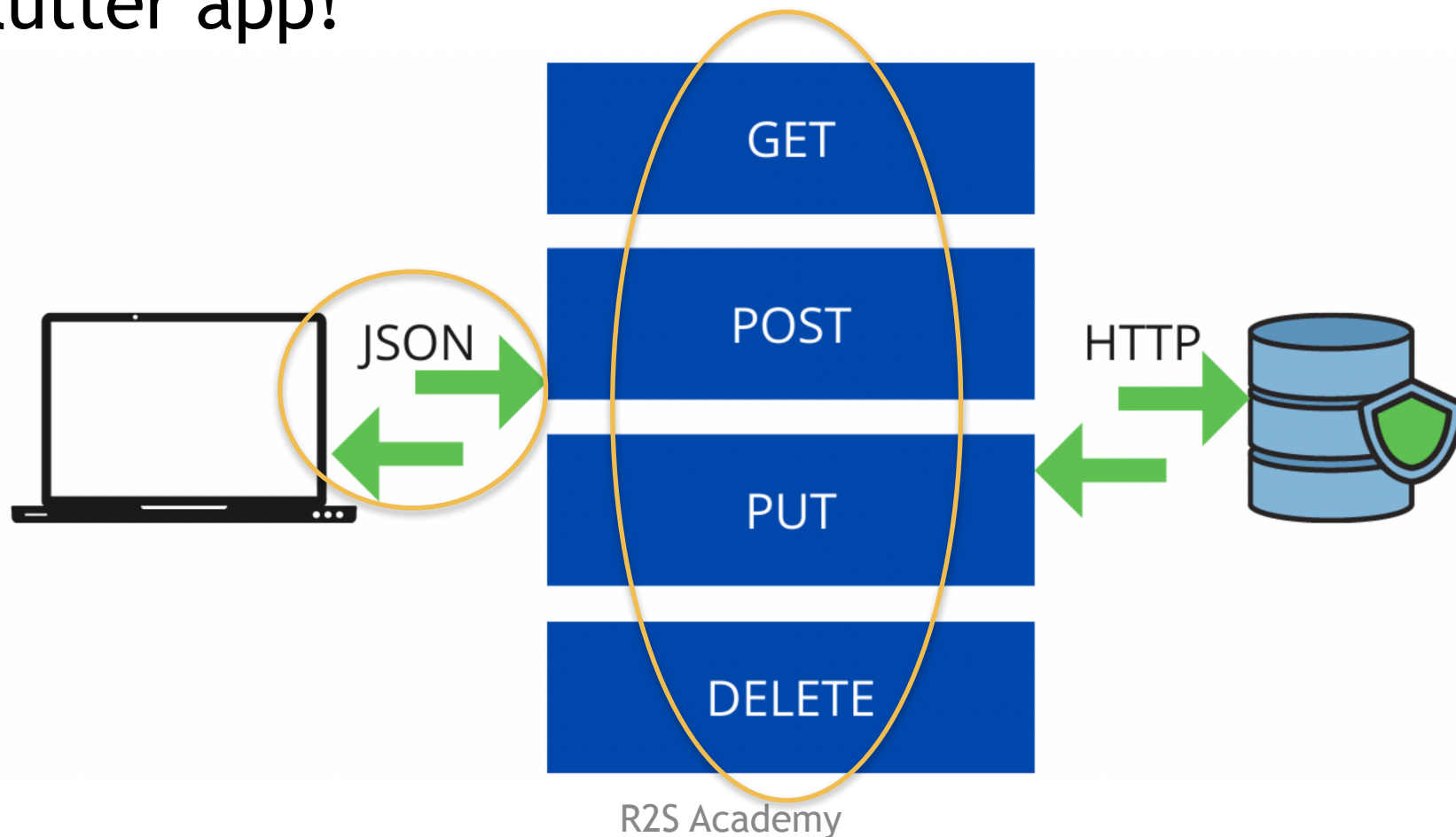
- Data, data and data. Everywhere we see in today's world is just data. So how can we get data in our app?
- We have a lot of ways to show data in our app:
 1. Static Data
 2. From a file
 3. From a database
 4. From public APIs

```
{  
  "id": 1,  
  "title": "Apple",  
  "imageUrl": "https://produits.bienmanger.com/36433-0w470h470_Organic_Apples_Fuj.jpg",  
  "quantity": 10  
},  
{  
  "id": 2,  
  "title": "Mango",  
  "imageUrl": "https://images-na.ssl-images-amazon.com/images/I/31KSJIUe16L._SX450_.jpg",  
  "quantity": 2  
},  
{  
  "id": 3,  
  "title": "PineApple",  
  "imageUrl": "https://www.healthifyme.com/blog/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/shutterstock_1670265607-1.jpg",  
  "quantity": 5  
},  
{  
  "id": 4,  
  "title": "Orange",  
  "imageUrl": "https://i.ndtvimg.com/i/2016-08/orange_625x350_51471855916.jpg",  
  "quantity": 9  
}
```



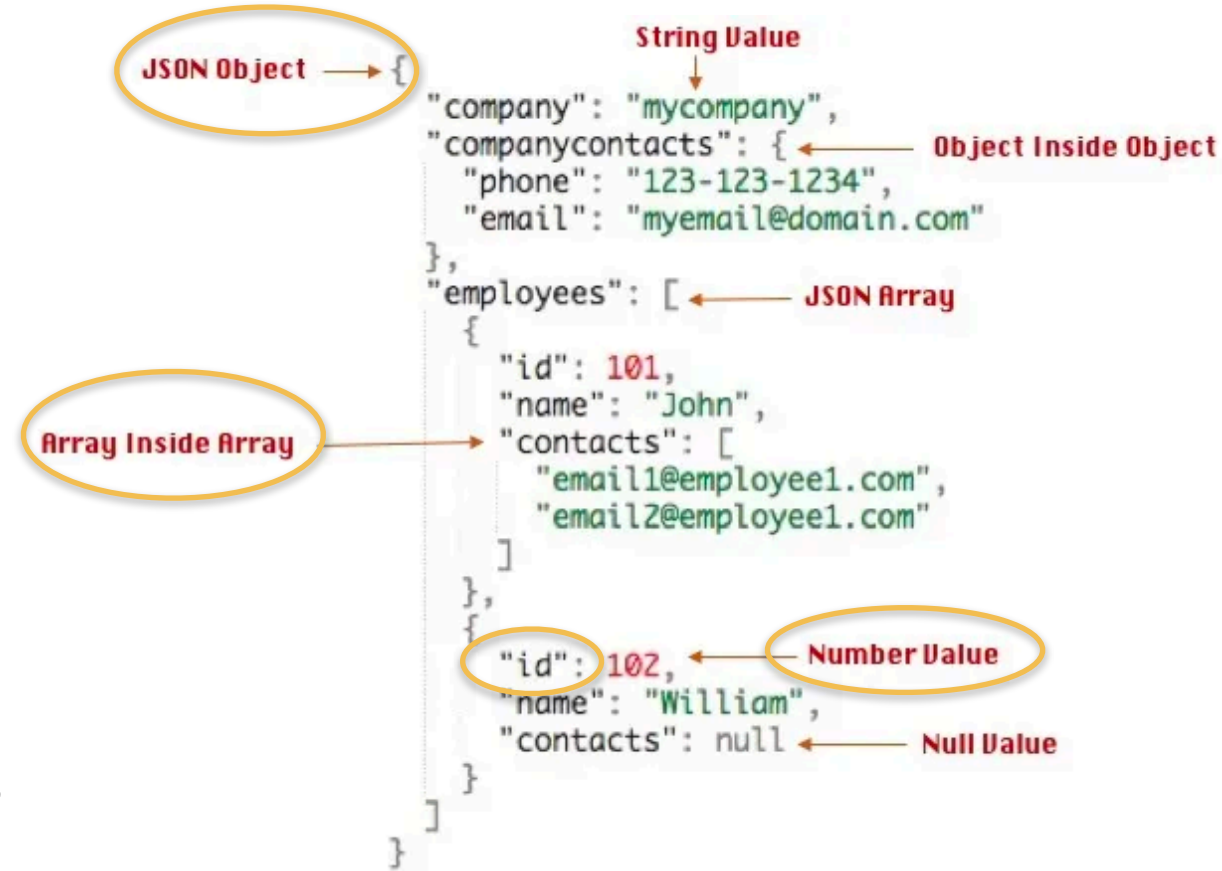
Working with APIs

- The most popularly used form is from **Database** or Public **APIs**.
- Let's see how we can integrate, fetch data from a API and use it in your flutter app!



JSON Overview

- JSON represents data in two ways:
 1. **Object:** a collection of name-value (or key-value) pairs. An object is defined within left ({) and right (}) braces. Each name-value pair begins with the name, followed by a colon, followed by the value. Name-value pairs are comma separated.
 2. **Array:** an ordered collection of values. An array is defined within left ([) and right (]) brackets. Items in the array are comma separated.



JSON Overview

- This is an example of a JSON file that captures multi-day forecast data.

```
{  
  "longitude": 47.60,  
  "latitude": 122.33,  
  "forecasts": [  
    {  
      "date": "2015-09-01",  
      "description": "sunny",  
      "maxTemp": 22,  
      "minTemp": 20,  
      "windSpeed": 12,  
      "danger": false  
    },  
    {  
      "date": "2015-09-02",  
      "description": "overcast",  
      "maxTemp": 21,  
      "minTemp": 17,  
      "windSpeed": 15,  
      "danger": false  
    },  
    {  
      "date": "2015-09-03",  
      "description": "raining",  
      "maxTemp": 20,  
      "minTemp": 18,  
      "windSpeed": 13,  
      "danger": false  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

JSON Overview

- This is an example of a JSON file that data for trainees resource.

```
[
  {
    "name": "lam",
    "email": "lam@gmail.com",
    "phone": "0974111444",
    "gender": "Female",
    "id": "2"
  },
  {
    "name": "khanh",
    "email": "khanh@gmail.com",
    "phone": "0123456789",
    "gender": "1",
    "id": "5"
  },
  {
    "name": "Le Hong Dang",
    "email": "giasutinhoc.vn@gmail.com",
    "phone": "123",
    "gender": "Male",
    "id": "17"
  }
]
```


JSON Overview

- Link: <https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums>
- Result:

```
[  
  {  
    "userId": 1,  
    "id": 1,  
    "title": "quidem molestiae enim"  
  },  
  {  
    "userId": 1,  
    "id": 2,  
    "title": "sunt qui excepturi placeat culpa"  
  },  
  {  
    "userId": 1,  
    "id": 3,  
    "title": "omnis laborum odio"  
  },  
]
```

JSON Overview










- Link: <https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/photos>

- Result:

```
[
  {
    "albumId": 1,
    "id": 1,
    "title": "accusamus beatae ad facilis cum similique qui sunt",
    "url": "https://via.placeholder.com/600/92c952",
    "thumbnailUrl": "https://via.placeholder.com/150/92c952"
  },
  {
    "albumId": 1,
    "id": 2,
    "title": "reprehenderit est deserunt velit ipsam",
    "url": "https://via.placeholder.com/600/771796",
    "thumbnailUrl": "https://via.placeholder.com/150/771796"
  },
  {
    "albumId": 1,
    "id": 3,
    "title": "officia porro iure quia iusto qui ipsa ut modi",
    "url": "https://via.placeholder.com/600/24f355",
    "thumbnailUrl": "https://via.placeholder.com/150/24f355"
  },
]
```

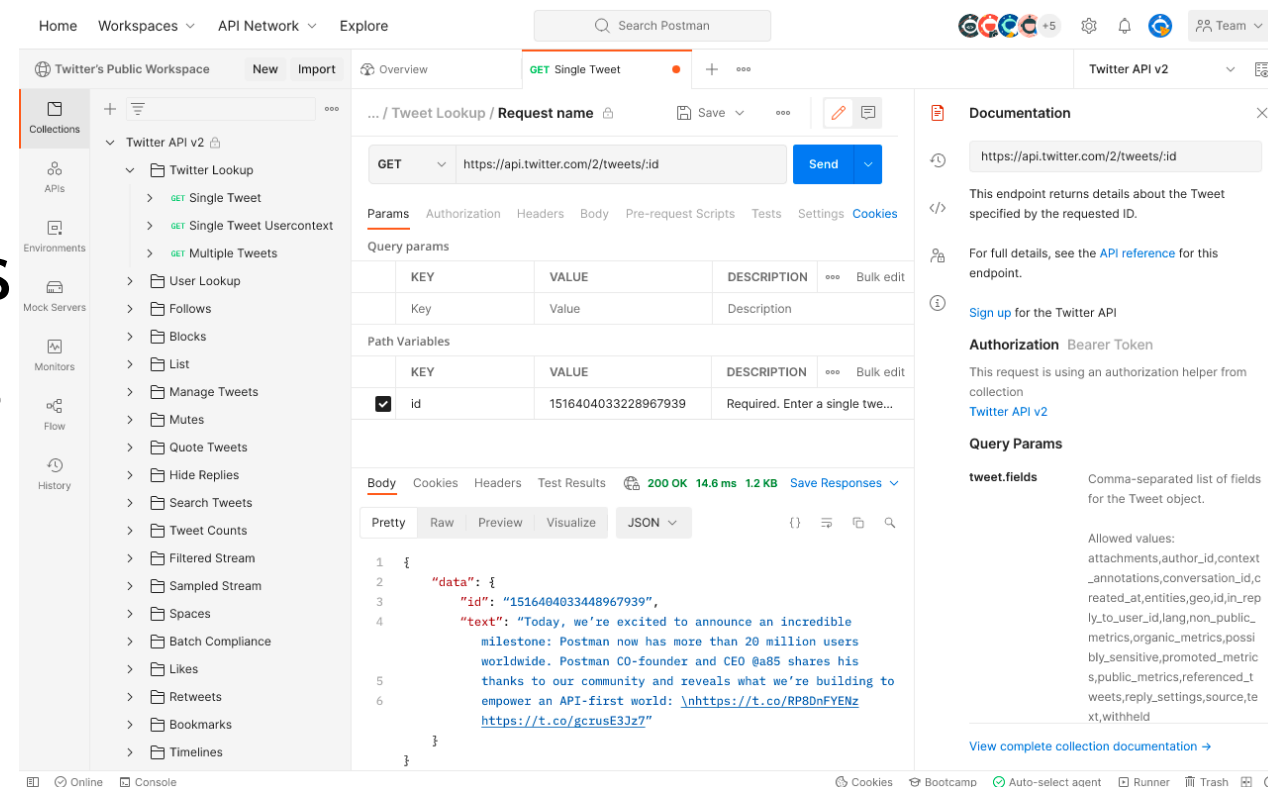

REST API Overview

- API (Application Programming Interface)
- For example, the Task REST API below

Task		Method	Path
Create a new task			/tasks
Delete an existing task			/tasks/{id}
Get a specific task			/tasks/{id}
Search for tasks			/tasks
Update an existing task			/tasks/{id}

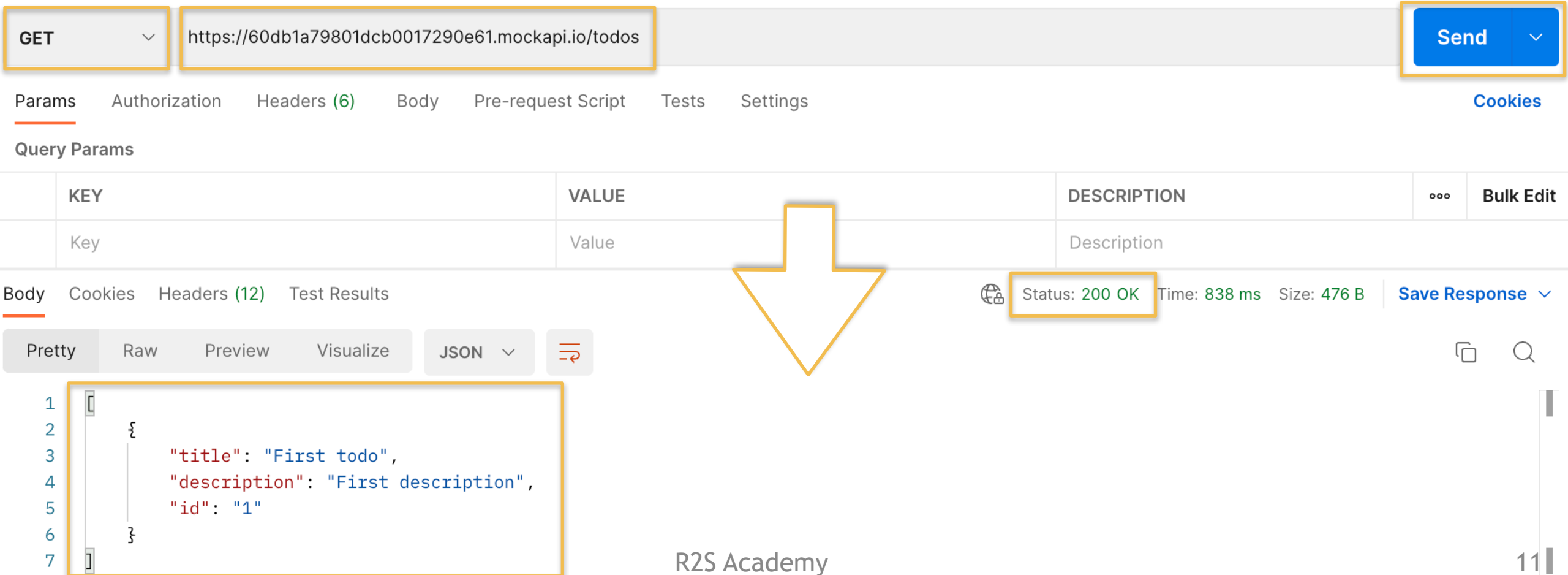
API Testing using Postman

- The Postman app: <https://www.postman.com/downloads/>
- How to use for API Testing
 1. Working with **GET** requests
 2. Working with **POST** requests
 3. Working with **UPDATE** requests
 4. Working with **DELETE** requests



Working with GET Requests

- Get requests are used to retrieve information from the given URL. There will be no changes done to the endpoint.
- We will use the following URL `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos`



The screenshot shows a REST client interface with the following components:

- Request Bar:** Method `GET` and URL `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos`. A `Send` button is on the right.
- Tabs:** Params, Authorization, Headers (6), Body, Pre-request Script, Tests, Settings. A `Cookies` link is also present.
- Query Params Table:**

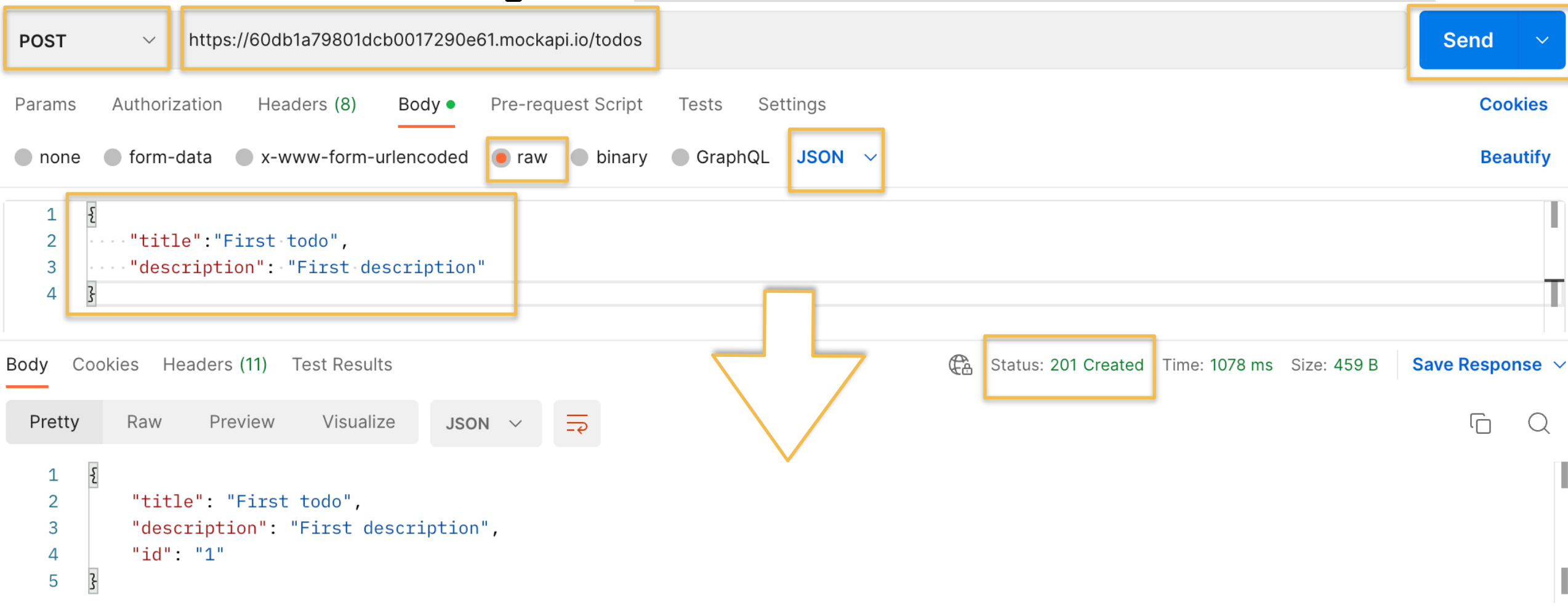
KEY	VALUE	DESCRIPTION	...	Bulk Edit
Key	Value	Description		
- Response Bar:** Status `200 OK`, Time: `838 ms`, Size: `476 B`. A `Save Response` button is on the right.
- Response Body:** Tabs for Pretty, Raw, Preview, Visualize. The `JSON` tab is selected, showing the following response:

```
1 {
2   "title": "First todo",
3   "description": "First description",
4   "id": "1"
5 }
6
7
```

A large yellow arrow points from the URL field to the response body.

Working with POST Requests

- Post requests are different from Get request as there is data manipulation with the user adding data to the endpoint.
- We will use the following URL `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos`



The screenshot displays a REST client interface with the following components:

- Request Method:** POST (selected from a dropdown).
- URL:** `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos`
- Body Type:** raw (selected from a dropdown).
- Body Content:**

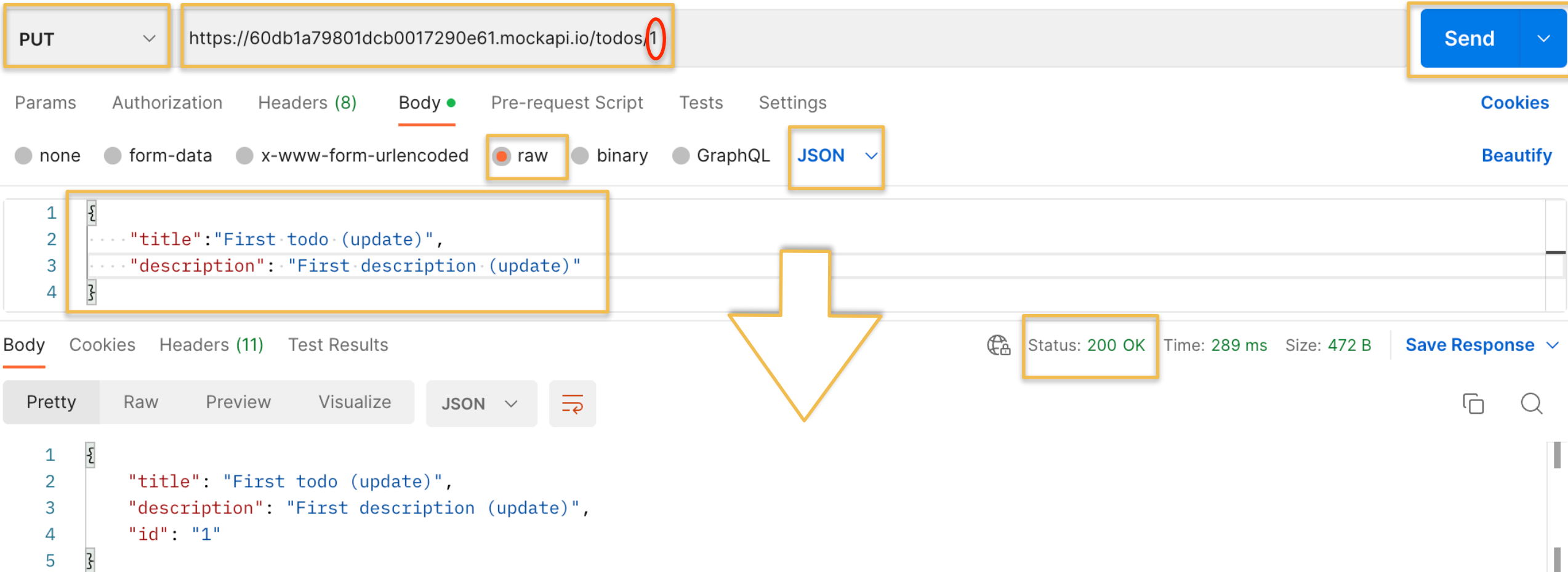
```
{
  "title": "First todo",
  "description": "First description"
}
```
- Send Button:** A blue button labeled "Send" with a dropdown arrow.
- Response Status:** 201 Created (highlighted in a box).
- Response Time/Size:** Time: 1078 ms, Size: 459 B.
- Response Content:**

```
{
  "title": "First todo",
  "description": "First description",
  "id": "1"
}
```

A large yellow arrow points from the request body to the response body, indicating the flow of data.

Working with PUT Requests

- PUT is used to send data to a server to update a resource.
- We will use the following URL `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos/1`



The screenshot shows a REST client interface with the following components:

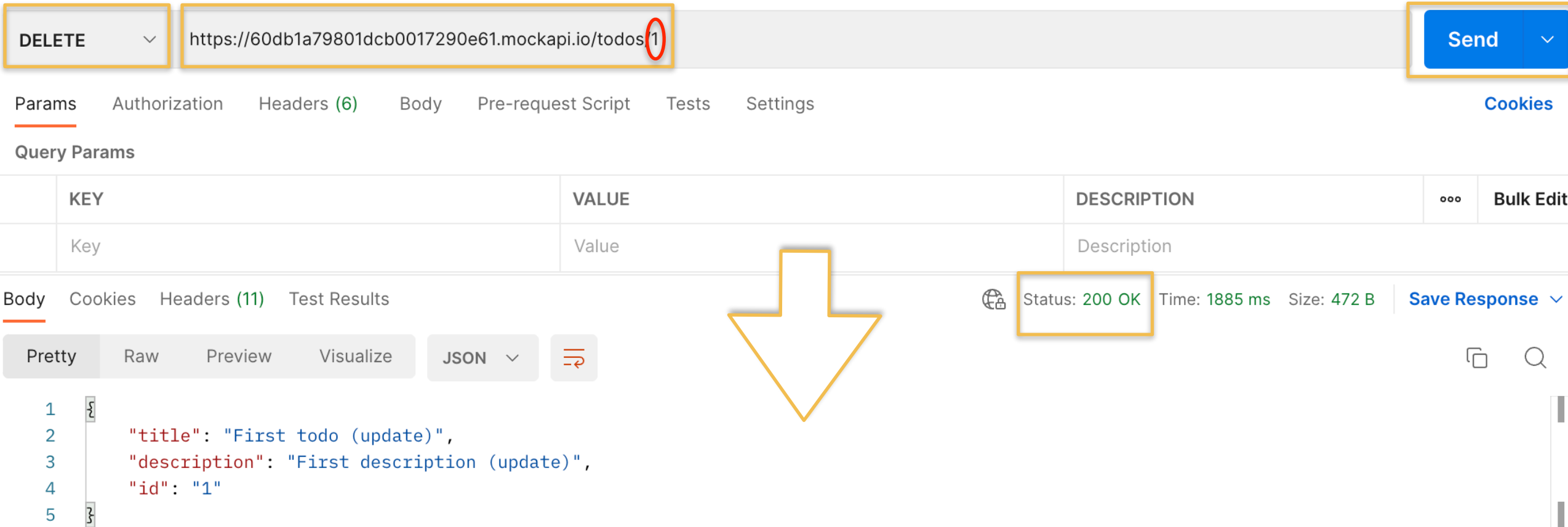
- Method:** PUT (selected from a dropdown)
- URL:** `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos/1`
- Send Button:** A blue button labeled "Send" with a dropdown arrow.
- Body Tab:** Selected, showing the request body in raw JSON format.
- Body Content:**

```
{
  "title": "First todo (update)",
  "description": "First description (update)"
}
```
- Response Tab:** Shows the response status and body.
- Status:** 200 OK
- Time:** 289 ms
- Size:** 472 B
- Save Response:** A button to save the response.
- Response Body:**

```
{
  "title": "First todo (update)",
  "description": "First description (update)",
  "id": "1"
}
```


Working with DELETE Requests

- The DELETE method deletes the specified resource.
- We will use the following URL `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos/1`



The screenshot shows a REST client interface with a DELETE request configured. The method is set to DELETE, and the URL is `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos/1`. The request is sent, and the response is displayed as JSON. A large yellow arrow points from the URL field to the response status.

Request:

- Method: DELETE
- URL: `https://60db1a79801dcb0017290e61.mockapi.io/todos/1`

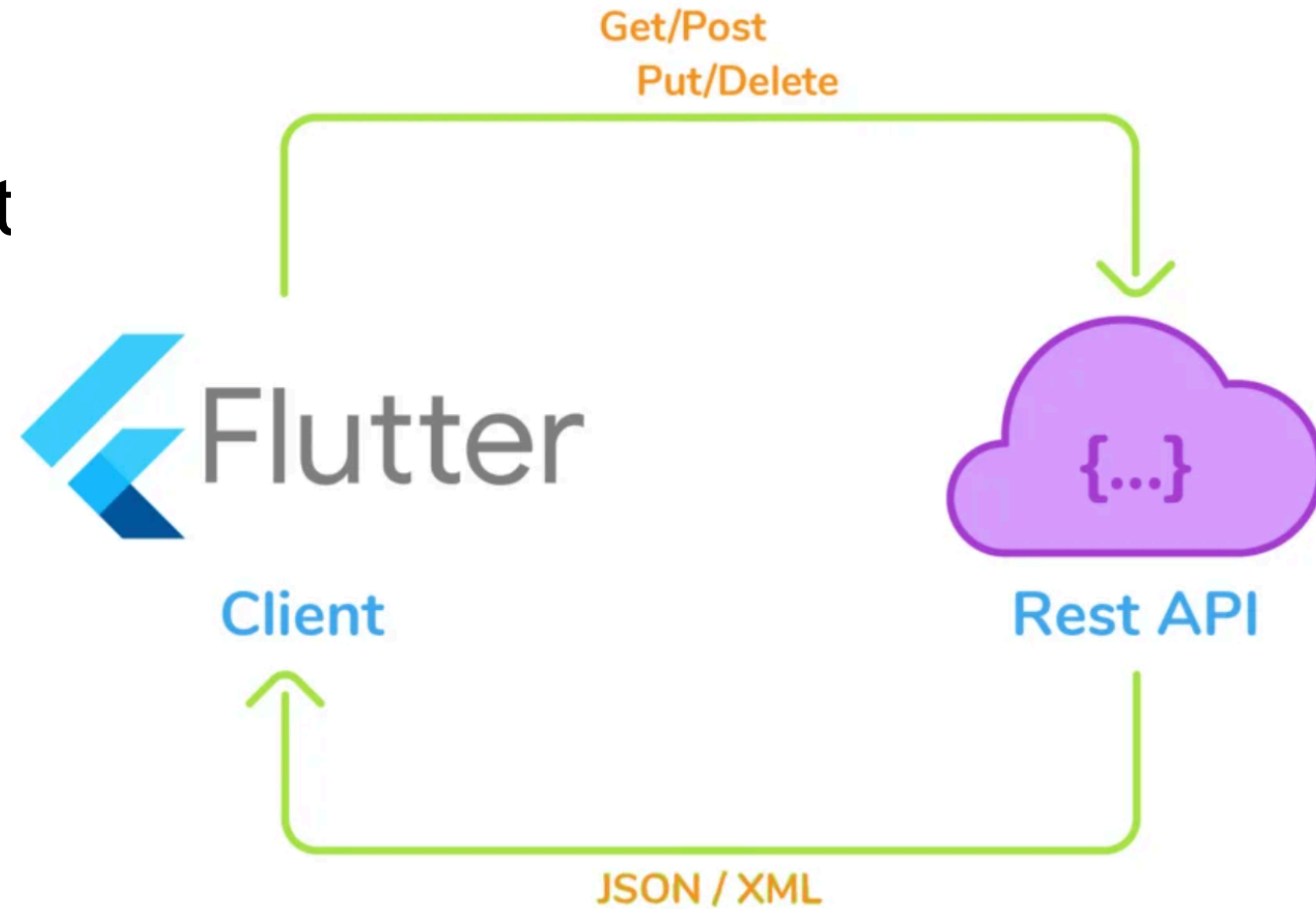
Response:

Status: 200 OK | Time: 1885 ms | Size: 472 B

```
{
  "title": "First todo (update)",
  "description": "First description (update)",
  "id": "1"
}
```

Implementing Rest API in Flutter

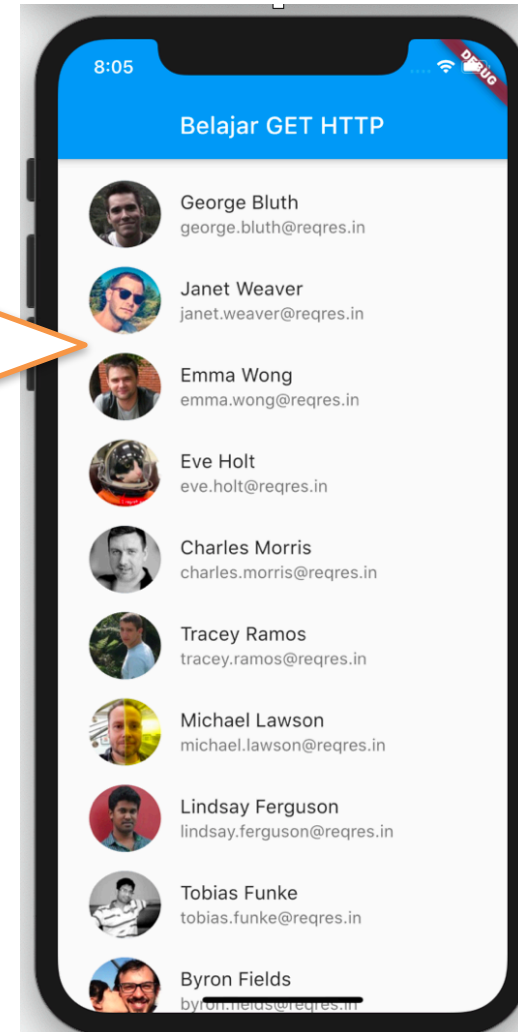
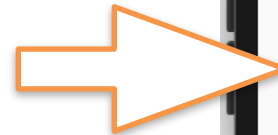
1. **Fetch** data from the internet
2. **Send** data to the internet
3. **Update** data over the internet
4. **Delete** data on the internet



Fetch data from the internet

1. Add the **http** package.
2. Make a network **request** using the **http** package.
3. Convert the **response** into a custom Dart object.
4. Fetch the **data**
5. Display the **data**

```
"data": [  
  {  
    "id": 1,  
    "email": "george.bluth@reqres.in",  
    "first_name": "George",  
    "last_name": "Bluth",  
    "avatar": "https://reqres.in/img/faces/1-image.jpg"  
  },  
  {  
    "id": 2,  
    "email": "janet.weaver@reqres.in",  
    "first_name": "Janet",  
    "last_name": "Weaver",  
    "avatar": "https://reqres.in/img/faces/2-image.jpg"  
  },  
  {  
    "id": 3,  
    "email": "emma.wong@reqres.in",  
    "first_name": "Emma",  
    "last_name": "Wong",  
    "avatar": "https://reqres.in/img/faces/3-image.jpg"  
  },  
  {  
    "id": 4,  
    "email": "eve.holt@reqres.in",  
    "first_name": "Eve",  
    "last_name": "Holt",  
    "avatar": "https://reqres.in/img/faces/4-image.jpg"  
  }  
]
```



Fetch data from the internet

- Add the http package

1. To install the http package, add it to the dependencies section of the `pubspec.yaml` file. You can find the latest version of the [http package](#) the `pub.dev`.

```
dependencies:  
  http: <latest_version>
```

2. Import the http package.

```
import 'package:http/http.dart' as http;
```

3. In your `AndroidManifest.xml` file, add the Internet permission.

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```

Fetch data from the internet

- **Make a network request using the http package**
 1. This recipe covers how to fetch a sample album from the JSONPlaceholder using the `http.get()` method.

```
Future<http.Response> fetchAlbum() async {  
  return await http.get(Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums/1'));  
}
```

2. The `http.get()` method returns a **Future** that contains a **Response**.
 - Future is a class for working with async operations. A Future object represents a potential **value** or **error** in the future.
 - The **http.Response** class contains the data received from a successful http call.

Fetch data from the internet

- Convert the response into a object

```
Future<Album> fetchAlbum() async {  
  final response = await http  
    .get(Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums/1'));  
  
  if (response.statusCode == 200) {  
    return Album.fromJson(jsonDecode(response.body));  
  } else {  
    throw Exception('Failed to load album');  
  }  
}
```

```
class Album {  
  final int userId;  
  final int id;  
  final String title;  
  
  const Album({  
    required this.userId,  
    required this.id,  
    required this.title,  
  });  
  
  factory Album.fromJson(Map<String, dynamic> json) {  
    return Album(  
      userId: json['userId'],  
      id: json['id'],  
      title: json['title'],  
    );  
  }  
}
```

Fetch data from the internet

- Fetch the data

```
class _MyAppState extends State<MyApp> {  
  late Future<Album> futureAlbum;
```

```
@override
```

```
void initState() {  
  super.initState();
```

```
  futureAlbum = fetchAlbum();
```

```
}  
// ...
```

```
}  
Future<Album> fetchAlbum() async {  
  final response = await http  
    .get(Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums/1'));  
  
  if (response.statusCode == 200) {  
    // If the server did return a 200 OK response,  
    // then parse the JSON.  
    return Album.fromJSON(jsonDecode(response.body));  
  } else {  
    // If the server did not return a 200 OK response,  
    // then throw an exception.  
    throw Exception('Failed to load album');  
  }  
}
```

- Display the data

```
FutureBuilder<Album>(  
  future: futureAlbum,
```

```
  builder: (context, snapshot) {
```

```
    if (snapshot.hasData) {
```

```
      return Text(snapshot.data!.title);
```

```
    } else if (snapshot.hasError) {
```

```
      return Text('${snapshot.error}');
```

```
    }
```

```
    // By default, show a loading spinner.
```

```
    return const CircularProgressIndicator();
```

```
  },
```

```
)
```

Fetch data from the internet

- **FutureBuilder** will help you to execute some **asynchronous** function and based on that function's **result** your **UI** will **update**.
- **FutureBuilder** - Parameters
 - **future**: assigns the **Future value** that will be delivered asynchronously, such as a list of movies from the Internet
 - **build**: returns a **Widget**
 - **hasData**, **hasError**, **loading**
 - **snapshot**: will hold the data once it is delivered

```
FutureBuilder<Album>(  
  future: futureAlbum,  
  builder: (context, snapshot) {  
    if (snapshot.hasData) {  
      return Text(snapshot.data!.title);  
    } else if (snapshot.hasError) {  
      return Text('${snapshot.error}');  
    }  
  
    // By default, show a loading spinner.  
    return const CircularProgressIndicator();  
  },  
)
```

Send data to the internet

- This recipe uses the following steps:
 1. Add the http package.
 2. Send data to a server using the http package.
 3. Get a title from user input.

Send data to the internet

- Send data to a server using the http package

```
Future<http.Response> createAlbum(String title) {  
    return http.post(  
        Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums'),  
        headers: <String, String>{  
            'Content-Type': 'application/json; charset=UTF-8',  
        },  
        body: jsonEncode(<String, String>{  
            'title': title,  
        }  
    ),  
};  
}
```


Send data to the internet

- Get a title from user input

```
Column(  
  children: <Widget>[  
    TextField(  
      controller: _controller,  
      decoration: const InputDecoration(hintText: 'Enter Title'),  
    ),  
    ElevatedButton(  
      onPressed: () {  
        var result = createAlbum(_controller.text);  
      },  
      child: const Text('Create Data'),  
    ),  
  ],  
)
```

Update data over the internet

- This recipe uses the following steps:
 1. Add the http package.
 2. Update data over the internet using the http package.
 3. Get a title from user input.
 4. Update the existing title from user input.

Update data over the internet

- Updating data over the internet using the http package

```
Future<http.Response> updateAlbum(String title) {  
    return http.put(  
        Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums/1'),  
        headers: <String, String>{  
            'Content-Type': 'application/json; charset=UTF-8',  
        },  
        body: jsonEncode(<String, String>{  
            'title': title,  
        }  
    ),  
};  
}
```

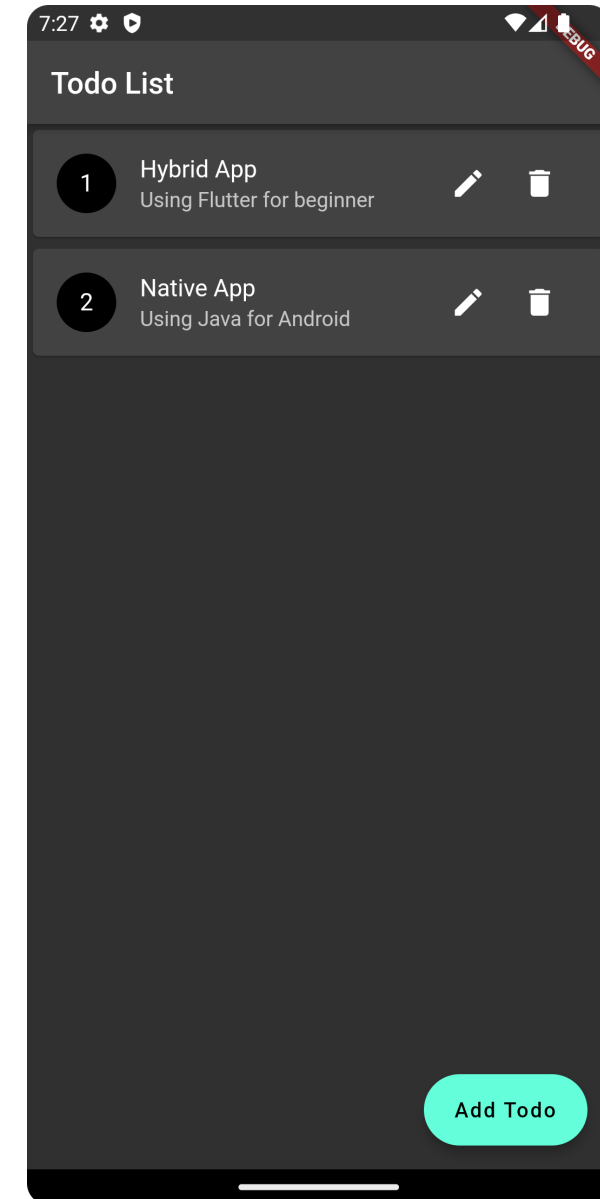
Update data over the internet

- Update the existing title from user input

```
Column(  
  children: <Widget>[  
    TextField(  
      controller: _controller,  
      decoration: const InputDecoration(hintText: 'Enter Title'),  
    ),  
    ElevatedButton(  
      onPressed: () {  
        var result = updateAlbum(_controller.text);  
      },  
      child: const Text('Update Data'),  
    ),  
  ],  
)
```

Delete data on the internet

- This recipe uses the following steps:
 1. Add the http package.
 2. Delete data on the server.
 3. Update the screen.



Delete data on the internet

- Using the `http.delete()` method

```
Future<http.Response> deleteAlbum(String id) async {  
    final http.Response response = await http.delete(  
        Uri.parse('https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com/albums/$id'),  
        headers: <String, String>{  
            'Content-Type': 'application/json; charset=UTF-8',  
        },  
    );  
  
    return response;  
}
```

Delete data on the internet

- Update the screen

```
Column(  
  mainAxisAlignment: MainAxisAlignment.center,  
  children: <Widget>[  
    ElevatedButton(  
      child: const Text('Delete Data'),  
      onPressed: () {  
        setState(() {  
          var result = deleteAlbum(snapshot.data!.id.toString());  
        });  
      },  
    ),  
  ],  
)
```