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Week 10 - day 1

API Concepts

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System designing understanding helps you to avoid raising invalid bugs.

What before API?

How comm'n happened b4 API?

purpose is to ensure 2 sys. to talk to each other.

b4 API, CORBA or RPC are used

for this purpose

common Object
Req/broker
architecture

Remote
Procedure
calls

Any utility serving some purpose & enabling to communicate, is called API
ex:- jar docmth
String api

ex:- pdf document to word

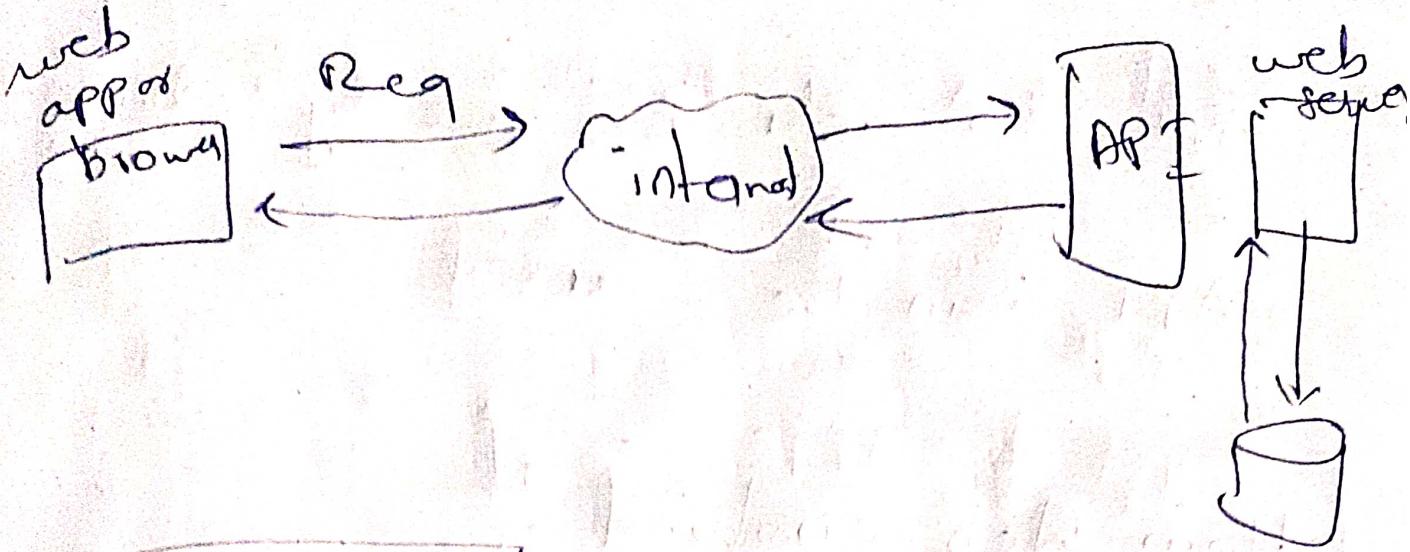
| What is API |

AppIn programming interface.

- APIs are little pieces of codes that make it possible for digital devices, s/w apps, and data servers to talk with each other.
- API is an intermediate.

| How API works ? |

- acts like a middleman.
- There must be set of definition & protocols in place that allow s/w components to talk each other.



Why API?

- technology agnostic
i.e., platform independent
- . unmarshall (deserializing)
marshall (serialize)
- At api level, as contracts are maintained, even if diff services designed on diff tech stack, marshalling & unmarshalling is maintained unique.
- Acts as abstraction layer of security
 - only when this connection is established, payment gateway
 - Payment is done.
 - source bank

- API also acts as quality gateway

- API can be reused

There are a user, becomes more responsible
of owning the content.
if someone else, wants to access
content to share or edit, will be
difficult.

How Web evolved?

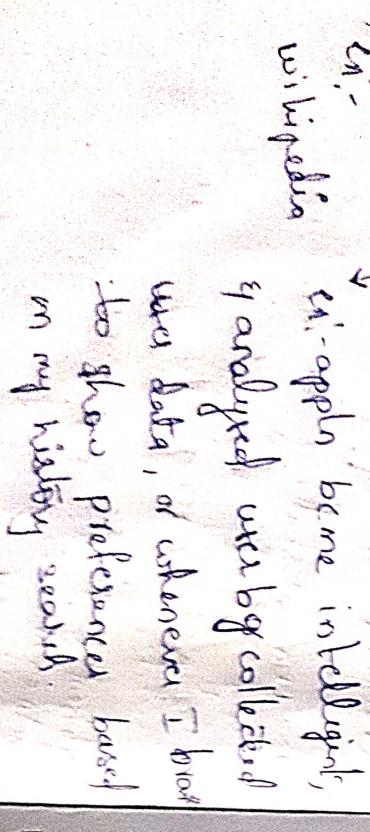
[web 1.0] → static access for resource, read-only

[2.0] → data gathering for user, advertisement, no data privacy.

[3.0] → owning the resources,
more privacy ex:- crypto, NFTs

- no adays, everything is integrated
- ex: reused in back-end sys.
- operating system
- DB
- computer hardware

Who uses APIs?



- en.wikipedia
- en-apple became intelligent
- ex:- social media
- ex:- content streaming platforms
- cloud platforms - AWS, Azure
- Facebook uses APIs like process the relevance (cont.)

Selenium is lang. agnostic, it is designed based APIs.

Types of APIs

- Request driven / sync APIs
- Event driven / Async APIs

Request Driven

widely used by most of appy used client - server model.

Whenever, a client wants to access

server, client sends req by gathering all the required params in a form of serialized data.

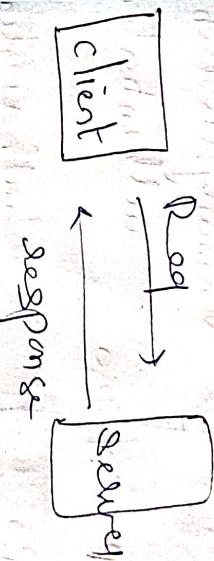
Ex:- Google Pay has become flaky

Protocol in N|wing

OSI → open source interconnection

process involves

Physical layer
Data link layer
Network layer
Session layer
Presentation layer
Application layer



then on receiving the serialized data, server deserializes the data & responds accordingly.

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FTP | SFTP

SMB (445)

LDAP (389)

Kerberos (88)

SMTP (25)

SSL/TLS (443)

HTTPS (80/443)

POP3 (110)

data sharing

communication

heavily used in

authentication

sys.

whereas UDP is connection less

Protocol used to

transfers

UDP → alternate to TCP/IP b/c

TCP/IP is connection oriented

TCP/IP → mainly used for data transfers

every protocol works with specific port no:

bug of diff port, data collision

doesn't happen

TelNet is something to tell you

if servers are open or not

e.g. ping to a server IP to ensure if it is available

- ① handshake b/w client & server
- ② client sends seq.
- ③ server responds
- ④ client acknowledges

TCP/IP

whereas in UDP, anonymous calls

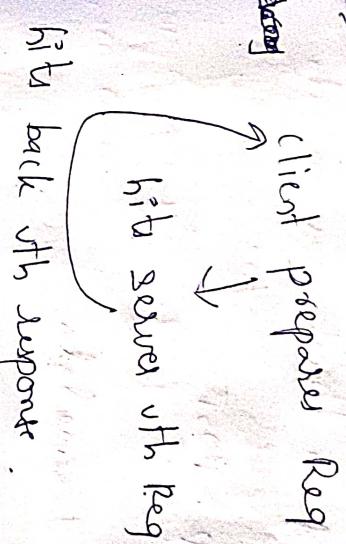
Why TCP/IP?

- b3) regenerates data packets
in case of connn loss.
- whereas UDP, loses packets in
conn loss.
- In TCP/IP, connn can be kept
alive for sustained period.
- If time expires, connn also
becomes stale.

[UDP]

UDP is mostly used in login
oriented designs.

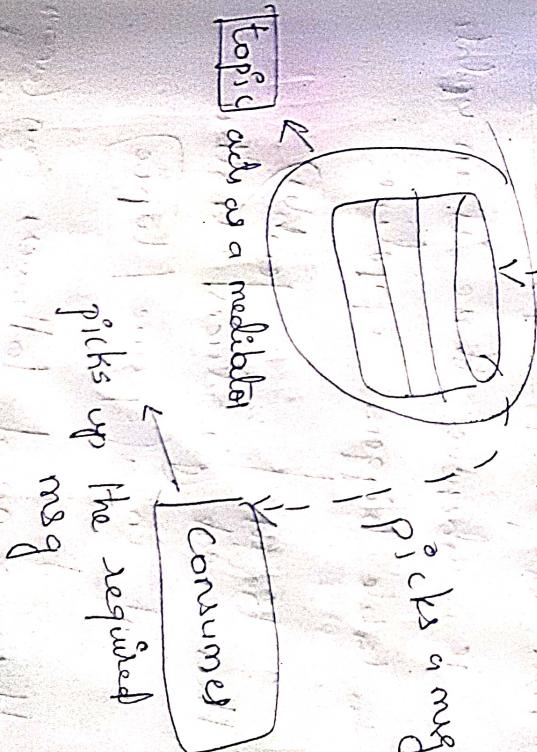
Synch Request Driven APIs.



Async Event driven APIs

Publisher → generates msg
service

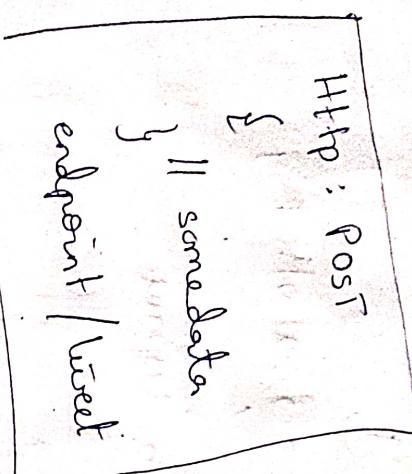
distribution



Async API explanation v/s

Tweet

- ① Posting a tweet



- ②

The insert created a row in DB



Change data capture

- ③ This triggers

i.e., whenever there is an update
to table triggers a pipeline

↳ producer produces another

- ④ This ~~event~~ ^{topic} produces another

event in a queue topic

- ⑤

↓
the no. of followers ^{long term} ~~occurred~~
tweets ~~topic~~

What is Topic

schema(JSON/YAML) shd match wth
producer & consumer

• Retention period

i.e., info stays on the queue

for x hours n days

Partition

i.e., if 6 parts available,

1/6th

msg in queue / topic will be removed
whenever consumer reads & sends
acknowledgment

(a)

wherever the selection period
is met.

Throttling

limit the access to data

keep ping at

i.e. consider ping only once in any given minute

② consider the event when there

is a state change (offline/online)

i.e., location change or

action change.

- identifying handshake increases contention
- msg deliveries
- ~~del~~ technical error needs to be detected

(msg) composed to functional return

When things can go wrong?

- pointing to wrong logical schema mismatch

- header consideration

Ques

if I have DB connection with single pattern, will this restricts only DB connections?

(or)

will this also impact my test case like execution?

Type of request Driven APIs

- SOAP (Simple Object Access Protocol)
- REST (Representation)
- GraphQL
- gRPC

SOAP

msg protocol which exchanges structured info in the implementation of web services.

supports only POST method
works only with XML data.

webs generally based on WSDL
web service descriptive lang.

payload is always heavy
(req + wsdl)
As it is stateful, can't be served keeping remembering cached.
the state of a req.

(never) have multiple end-points

difficult to implement

REST

REST Limitations

- architectural style - sleek web services, using end-points

- N+1 service calls

- built over HTTP protocol

- Data over fetching
- schema is defined by server.

Multipost

• lesser bandwidth

• methods supported

• POST

• GET

• PUT

• PATCH

• DELETE

• stateless & can be cached



server will remember previous calls in context pool.

calls but instead of saving data in cache.

GraphQL

Recently developed using query language on top of web services.

It mainly tries to solve data fetching issue we see in REST.

Unlike REST, GraphQL works with

- type
- fields

type makes no table.
field refers to column.

books : { "bookname" :
author : { "auth-name" } }

using this, schema can be

defined at client layer itself
unlike REST, where schema is

defined by server layer

(Table Types)

Author Table

en :- BookTable

bookid

bookname

authorname

auth-id

field
publisher

http://mybooks.com/books?query={
"bookname": "bookname",
"author": "author-name"}
or REST with
"bookname": "bookname",
"author": "author-name",
"publisher": "publisher"

Now, we can implement below
endpoints: