Working with Resource Collections



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Coming Up



Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource

Creating Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource

Adding a Set of Resources in One Go



Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource

GET api/tours/{tourld} { one tour } GET api/tours/{tourld}/shows { the shows of that tour } **GET** api/tours/{tourld} { one tour with shows }



Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource

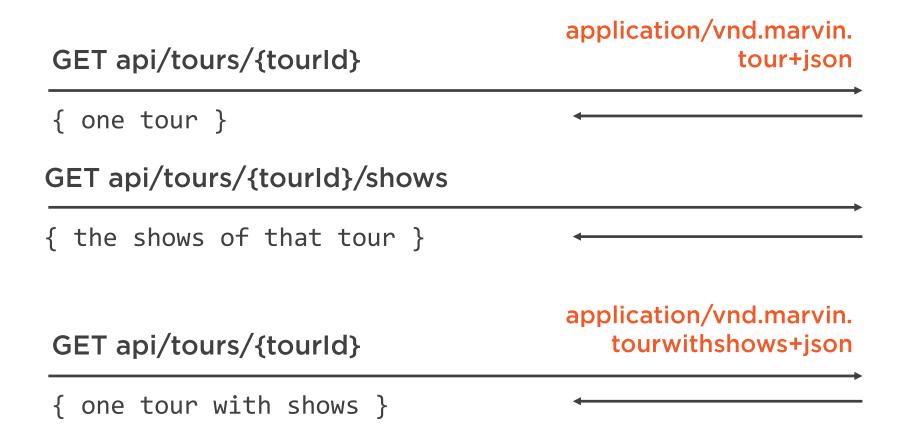


Multiple calls to an API cause a performance hit

Returning children together with their parent when they're not needed also causes a performance hit



Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource







TourForCreation:
TourAbstractBase
BandId

TourAbstractBase
Title
Description
Band
StartDate
EndDate

Tour:
TourAbstractBase
TourId

TourWithManagerForCreation:
TourForCreation
ManagerId

TourWithEstimatedProfits :
Tour

EstimatedProfits

actBase

Tour:
TourAbstractBase
TourId

TourWithShows:
Tour
Shows

TourWithEstimatedProfits:
Tour
EstimatedProfits

TourWithEstimatedProfitsAndShows:
TourWithEstimatedProfits
Shows



On Complex Hierarchies...

Try to keep the object inheritance graph to 5 levels deep or less





Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource (Server)





Getting Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource (Client)



Creating Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource



Avoid using separate requests

- Overhead
- Not good for data integrity



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Title
Description
Band
StartDate
EndDate

Tour:
TourAbstractBase
TourId

TourWithManagerForCreation:
TourForCreation
ManagerId

TourWithEstimatedProfits :
Tour

EstimatedProfits

TourWithShowsForCreation:
TourForCreation
Shows

TourForCreation:
TourAbstractBase
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EndDate

TourWithManagerAndShowsForCreation:
TourWithManagerForCreation
Shows

TourWithManagerForCreation:
TourForCreation
ManagerId





Creating Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource (Server)





Creating a Reusable Component for Adding a Show





Creating Child Resources Together with a Parent Resource (Client)



Adding a Set of Resources in One Go



Creating the resources one by one causes overhead and can be bad for data integrity



Adding a Set of Resources in One Go



Multiple resources can work on the same underlying set of data



Adding a Set of Resources in One Go

POST api/tours/{tourld}/shows one show [shows in the data store] POST api/tours/{tourld}/showcollections one collection of shows





Adding a Set of Resources in One Go (Server)





Adding a Set of Resources in One Go (Client)





Generating a Location Header for a Multikey Resource



Summary



Improve performance by getting child resources together with their parent

Improve performance and data integrity by creating child resources together with their parent

Improve performance and data integrity by adding a set of resources in one go



Summary



Avoid code duplication by using objectoriented techniques

Keep the object inheritance graph to 5 levels deep (or less) to avoid inheritance complexity

