Rest API NOTES WITH ASP.NET

Part 1

1. Create the dotnet web api by typing [dotnet new webapi]
2. Install the c-sharp extension in visual studio code
3. Inside the root folder, create a model folder
4. Right click on the model folder and with the help of the c-sharp extension, create a class file called [MallModel.cs]

Paste this code in the MallModel.cs file

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace DotNetApi.Models
{
public class MallModel
{
public int Id { get; set; }
public string Name { get; set; } = "Name";
public DateTime created { get; set; }
}
}
```

Inside the Controller Folder, right click on it and create a ApiController called ModelController.cs paste the following code in it

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using DotNetApi.Models;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;

namespace DotNetApi.Controllers
{
[ApiController]
[Route("api/MallController")]
public class MallController:ControllerBase{
[HttpGet]
public IEnumerable<MallModel>GetModel(){
return new List<MallModel>{
new MallModel{Id=1, Name="Kofi"},
new MallModel{Id=2, Name="Ama"},
new MallModel{Id=3, Name="Yaa"},
```

```
new MallModel{Id=4, Name="Akos"},
new MallModel{Id=5, Name="Kwame"},
new MallModel{Id=6, Name="Kojo"},
};
}
}
}
```

PART 2

We may have some field in the model that we don't want to expose it to the user. So we can just create a DTO which will function as a wrapper between the model and the controller

in the model folder, create a folder named DTO and add this code to it

MallDTO.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace DotNetApi.Models.Dto
{
public class MallDto
{
public int Id { get; set; }
public string Name { get; set; } = "Name";
}
}
```

 # The new controller class will be this

MallController.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using DotNetApi.Models.Dto;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;

namespace DotNetApi.Controllers
{
[ApiController]
[Route("api/Mall")]
public class MallController : ControllerBase
{
[HttpGet]
public IEnumerable<MallDTO> GetMall(){
```

```
return new List<MallDTO>{
new MallDTO{Id = 1, Name = "Solomon"},
new MallDTO{Id = 2, Name = "Whiskey"},
new MallDTO{Id = 3, Name = "Jack"},
new MallDTO{Id = 4, Name = "Jill"},
new MallDTO{Id = 5, Name = "Max"},
new MallDTO{Id = 6, Name = "Charlie"},

};

}
}
}
```

PART 3

 # Create a Data folder in the root project directory and add a class MallStore

 # Inside the MallStore class, add the following code

 # MallStore.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using DotNetApi.Models.Dto;

namespace DotNetApi.Data
{
public static class MallStore
{
public static List<MallDTO> MallList = new List<MallDTO>{
new MallDTO{Id = 1, Name = "Solomon"},
new MallDTO{Id = 2, Name = "Whiskey"},
new MallDTO{Id = 3, Name = "Jack"},
new MallDTO{Id = 4, Name = "Jill"},
new MallDTO{Id = 5, Name = "Max"},
new MallDTO{Id = 6, Name = "Charlie"},

};
}
}
```

 # The mall controller will look like this:

MallController.cs

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
```

```
using DotNetApi.Data;
using DotNetApi.Models.Dto;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;

namespace DotNetApi.Controllers
{
[ApiController]
[Route("api/Mall")]
public class MallController : ControllerBase
{
[HttpGet]
public IEnumerable<MallDTO> GetMall(){
return MallStore.MallList;

}
}
}
```

PART 4

In this section, we are going to perform CRUD operation, which is Create, Read, Update, Delete

For the Read Section, This will be the Code inside the MallController

```
[HttpGet]
public IEnumerable<MallDTO> GetMall(){
return MallStore.MallList;

}

[HttpGet("Id")]
public MallDTO GetOneMall(int Id){

return MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x=>x.Id == Id);

}

The HTTP REQUEST MUST HAVE A RESPONSE CODE WHICH WILL BE
[HttpGet]
public ActionResult<IEnumerable<MallDTO>> GetMall(){
return Ok(MallStore.MallList);

}

[HttpGet("Id")]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> GetOneMall(int Id){
```

```
if (Id <= 0){
return BadRequest();
}
var Mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x=>x.Id == Id);
if (Mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
return Ok(Mall);

}
```

We can further add dynamic status code to the Http Get so that it will return the various Status codes

```
[HttpGet]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
public ActionResult<IEnumerable<MallDTO>> GetMall(){
return Ok(MallStore.MallList);

}


[HttpGet("Id")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status404NotFound)]

public ActionResult<MallDTO> GetOneMall(int Id){
if (Id <= 0){
return BadRequest();
}
var Mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x=>x.Id == Id);
if (Mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
return Ok(Mall);
}
```

For the Create Section, This will be the Code inside the MallController

```
[HttpPost]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError)]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> CreateMall([FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){
```

```
if(mallDTO == null){
return BadRequest(mallDTO);
}

if(mallDTO.Id>0){
return StatusCode(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError);
}
mallDTO.Id = MallStore.MallList.OrderByDescending(u=>u.Id).FirstOrDefault().Id+1;
MallStore.MallList.Add(mallDTO);

return Ok(mallDTO);


}
```

We can also give a route to the new created Mall object by setting an explicit name to the mall get method which has a specific Id

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using DotNetApi.Data;
using DotNetApi.Models.Dto;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;

namespace DotNetApi.Controllers
{
[ApiController]
[Route("api/Mall")]
public class MallController : ControllerBase
{
/*

GET REQUEST AND ID CODES


*/
[HttpGet]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
public ActionResult<IEnumerable<MallDTO>> GetMall(){
return Ok(MallStore.MallList);

}


[HttpGet("{Id:int}",Name="GetMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status201Created)]
```

```
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status404NotFound)]

public ActionResult<MallDTO> GetOneMall(int Id){
if (Id <= 0){
return BadRequest();
}
var Mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x=>x.Id == Id);
if (Mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
return Ok(Mall);
}



/*
HTTP POST REQUEST
*/

[HttpPost]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError)]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> CreateMall([FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){

if(mallDTO == null){
return BadRequest(mallDTO);
}

if(mallDTO.Id>0){
return StatusCode(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError);
}
mallDTO.Id = MallStore.MallList.OrderByDescending(u=>u.Id).FirstOrDefault().Id+1;
MallStore.MallList.Add(mallDTO);

return CreatedAtRoute("GetMall", new{Id = mallDTO.Id}, mallDTO);


}



}
}
```

We can also set a required and max length for the Model Dto so as to ensure that our users do the right thing

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;

namespace DotNetApi.Models.Dto
{
public class MallDTO
{
public int Id { get; set; }

[Required ]
[MaxLength(50)]
public string Name { get; set; } = "Name";
}
}
```

Since we use the [ApiConroller] in the controller class, it give us a basic feature of the Controller.

If we disable it, we will need to explicitly check things

```
[HttpPost]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError)]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> CreateMall([FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){

if(!ModelState.IsValid){
return BadRequest(ModelState);
}

if(mallDTO == null){
return BadRequest(mallDTO);
}

if(mallDTO.Id>0){
return StatusCode(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError);
}
mallDTO.Id = MallStore.MallList.OrderByDescending(u=>u.Id).FirstOrDefault().Id+1;
MallStore.MallList.Add(mallDTO);
```

```
return CreatedAtRoute("GetMall", new{Id = mallDTO.Id}, mallDTO);


}
```

To make the Name field unique we need to do this manually

```
[HttpPost]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError)]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> CreateMall([FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){


if(MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(u=>u.Name.ToLower()==mallDTO.Name.ToLower())!
=null)
{
ModelState.AddModelError("CustomError","Name already exists");
return BadRequest(ModelState);
}


if(mallDTO == null){
return BadRequest(mallDTO);
}

if(mallDTO.Id>0){
return StatusCode(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError);
}
mallDTO.Id = MallStore.MallList.OrderByDescending(u=>u.Id).FirstOrDefault().Id+1;
MallStore.MallList.Add(mallDTO);

return CreatedAtRoute("GetMall", new{Id = mallDTO.Id}, mallDTO);


}
```

We can also Delete A Mall Objects

```
[HttpDelete("{Id:int}", Name="DeleteMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status204NoContent)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status404NotFound)]

public IActionResult DeleteMall(int Id){

if(Id ==0){
return BadRequest();
```

```
}

var mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(m => m.Id == Id);
if(mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
MallStore.MallList.Remove(mall);
return NoContent();



}
```

We can update all the fields of a model using the Http Put Method and this is the code for that

```
[HttpPut("{Id:int}",Name="UpdateMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status204NoContent)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]


public IActionResult UpdateMall(int Id,[FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){

if(Id==null || Id != mallDTO.Id){
return BadRequest();
}

var mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(m => m.Id == Id);
mall.Name = mallDTO.Name;
mall.Age = mallDTO.Age;
mall.Contact = mallDTO.Contact;
return NoContent();


}
```

If we want to update a single field using the Http Patch

```
[HttpPatch("{Id:int}",Name ="Patch")]

public IActionResult PartialUpdate(int Id,JsonPatchDocument<MallDTO> patchDto){

if(patchDto==null || Id==0){
return BadRequest();
}
var mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x => x.Id==Id);
if (mall==null){
return BadRequest();
```

```
}

patchDto.ApplyTo(mall,ModelState);
if(!ModelState.IsValid){
return BadRequest();
}
return NoContent();



}
```

Logging

The Loggers helps us to add our custom information to the command line of the dotnet application.
This is the full MallController.cs Code with Loggers

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Threading.Tasks;
using DotNetApi.Data;
using DotNetApi.Models.Dto;
using Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc;

namespace DotNetApi.Controllers
{
[ApiController]
[Route("api/Mall")]
public class MallController : ControllerBase
{
//Logging
private readonly ILogger<MallController> _logger;
public MallController(ILogger<MallController> logger)
{
_logger = logger;
}



/*

GET REQUEST AND ID CODES


*/
[HttpGet]
```

```
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
public ActionResult<IEnumerable<MallDTO>> GetMall(){
_logger.LogInformation("Getting All Mall Objects");
return Ok(MallStore.MallList);

}


[HttpGet("{Id:int}",Name="GetMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status201Created)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status404NotFound)]

public ActionResult<MallDTO> GetOneMall(int Id){
if (Id <= 0){
_logger.LogError("The Id is "+Id);
return BadRequest();
}
var Mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(x=>x.Id == Id);
if (Mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
return Ok(Mall);
}



/*
HTTP POST REQUEST
*/

[HttpPost]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status200OK)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError)]
public ActionResult<MallDTO> CreateMall([FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){


if(MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(u=>u.Name.ToLower()==mallDTO.Name.ToLower())!
=null)
{
ModelState.AddModelError("CustomError","Name already exists");
return BadRequest(ModelState);
}


if(mallDTO == null){
return BadRequest(mallDTO);
}
```

```
if(mallDTO.Id>0){
return StatusCode(StatusCodes.Status500InternalServerError);
}
mallDTO.Id = MallStore.MallList.OrderByDescending(u=>u.Id).FirstOrDefault().Id+1;
MallStore.MallList.Add(mallDTO);

return CreatedAtRoute("GetMall", new{Id = mallDTO.Id}, mallDTO);


}

/*

HTTP DELETE REQUEST
*/

[HttpDelete("{Id:int}", Name="DeleteMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status204NoContent)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status404NotFound)]

public IActionResult DeleteMall(int Id){

if(Id ==0){
return BadRequest();
}

var mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(m => m.Id == Id);
if(mall == null){
return NotFound();
}
MallStore.MallList.Remove(mall);
return NoContent();


}

/*

HTTP PUT Request

*/

[HttpPut("{Id:int}",Name="UpdateMall")]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status204NoContent)]
[ProducesResponseType(StatusCodes.Status400BadRequest)]


public IActionResult UpdateMall(int Id,[FromBody]MallDTO mallDTO){
```

```
if(Id==null || Id != mallDTO.Id){
return BadRequest();
}

var mall = MallStore.MallList.FirstOrDefault(m => m.Id == Id);
mall.Name = mallDTO.Name;
mall.Age = mallDTO.Age;
mall.Contact = mallDTO.Contact;
return NoContent();


}
```

```
}
}
```

Adding Database