FastAPI Quick Start

FastAPI is a Python module used alongside an ASGI server to provide a blazingly fast API easily with Python.

To start using FastAPI, Get the following packages:

- FastAPI using pip command:

```
pip install fastapi
```

Uvicorn ASGI server, using pip cpmmand:

pip install uvicorn[standard]

To create the project, start by create a blank python file and put in FastAPI example. Such as:

```
from fastapi import FastAPI
app = FastAPI()
@app.get("/")
async def root():
    return "Hello World"
```

Explanation:

```
from fastapi import FastAPI
app = FastAPI()
```

Import the FastAPI module and create an app object for **FastAPI service**. In this example we'll do a simple Hello World GET API.

By writing the decorator on what **FastAPI service** this method should be in, and where the route is.

```
@app.get("/")
```

@app.get means this function is for the GET method. "/" means the route is in the root directory.

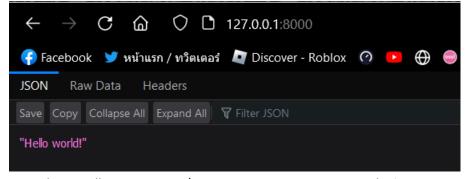
Then, define a function. Make it return a simple hello world.

```
@app.get("/")
def read_root():
    return "Hello world!"
```

To start the server, save the file and run it on the terminal or command line using:

```
uvicorn [filename without the .py]:[the FastAPI server you
named it] --reload
```

To test the result, open your web browser and enter the server's address (in this case, localhost) You'll find the hello world returned as JSON.

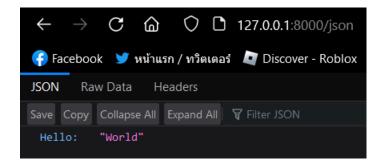


Note that it will return as text/javascript, so you can return a dictionary.

Now, try to make it return a JSON.

```
@app.get("/json")
def read_json():
    return {"Hello": "World"}
```

(We started uvicorn with the –reload flag, so we could just save it, then it'll automatically update the API.)



(Mozilla Firefox automatically uses the JSON explorer if it detects that the response is JSON. If you're using Chromium-based, you'll just find a JSON as plaintext instead, like this:)

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    (**) 127.0.0.1:8000/json
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```

To use the CRUD operation in FastAPI service, we need to import **Pydantic** for type checking.

```
from pydantic import BaseModel
```

Create a class that is inherited from BaseModel class

```
class Person(BaseModel):
    name: str
    surname: str
    age: int
```

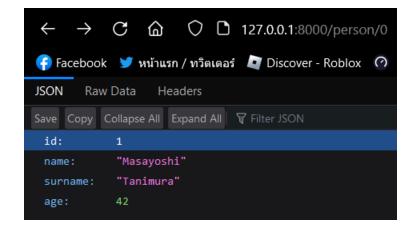
For this example, we'll create a simple list to store people.

```
persondb = [
    Person(id=1, name="Masayoshi", surname="Tanimura", age=42);
    Person(id=2, name="Shun", surname="Akiyama", age=45);
    Person(id=3, name="Taiga", surname="Saejima", age=56);
    Person(id=4, name="Kazuma", surname="Kiryu", age=53);
]
```

Then, create a **GET** method that accepts a dynamic parameter that returns the person.

```
@app.get("/person/{person_id}")
def read_person(person_id: int):
    return persondb[person_id]
```

Now you can access the person's data by the ID.



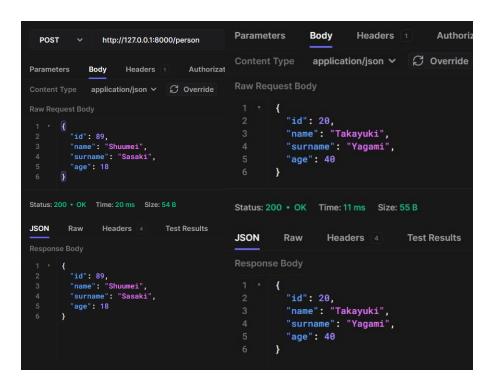
To add a person's data's into the "database", we need to create a POST method such as:

```
@app.get("/person/{person_id}")
def read_person(person_id: int):
    for person in persondb:
        if person.id == person_id:
            return person
```

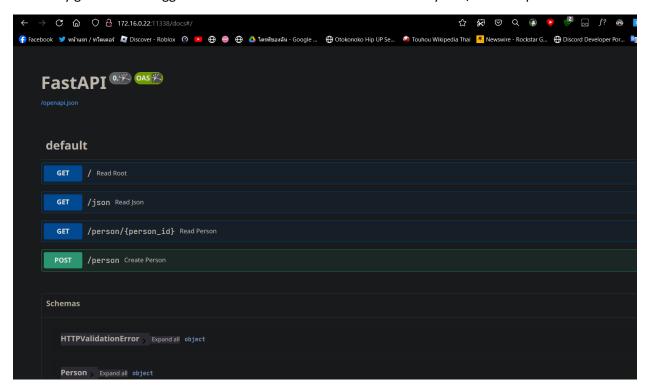
Note: The Person class can be inputted as a JSON object, or as query parameters.

Now, send a POST request the same way as you did in the previous lab.

In this example, we use **Hoppscotch** as an API tester. The process is the exact same with Insomnia and Postman.



The automatically generated Swagger UI API Documentation can be accessed by the /docs endpoint.



For more information that can be conveyed more than this piece of paper, refer to https://fastapi.tiangolo.com/.