IBM z/OS Connect (OpenAPI 2.0)

Developing RESTful APIs for Db2 DVM Services



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Overview

The objective of these exercise is to gain experience using Data Virtualization Manager (DVM) Studio and the z/OS Connect API Toolkit to create RESTful API to IMS data bases. For information about scheduling this workshop in your area contact your IBM representative.

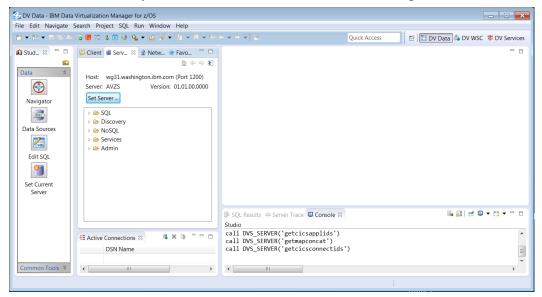
General Exercise Information and Guidelines

- ✓ This exercise requires using z/OS user identity *USER1*. The RACFpassword for this user is USER1.
- ✓ Do not hesitate to request assistance anytime you have any questions about the use of the Data Virtualization Manager Studio, IBM z/OS Explorer, z/OS Connect Toolkit features or other tools
- ✓ The Db2 table used for this exercise is the sample table provided by the Db2 installation verification program (*DSN8120.EMP*). For details of this table, see URL https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/db2-for-zos/12?topic=tables-employee-table-dsn8c10emp
- ✓ Please note that there may be minor differences between the screen shots in this exercise versus what you see on your desktop. These differences should not impact the completion of this exercise.
- ✓ Text in **bold** and highlighted in **yellow** in this document should be available for copying and pasting in a file named *Development APIs for DVM CopyPaste* file on the desktop.

Create a DVM virtual table

Access to a Db2 table using DVM SQL commands requires the creation of a DVM virtual table. The virtual table represents the columns in the table. In this section a virtual table for Db2 sample EMP table will be created.

1. On the workstation desktop, locate the Data Virtualization Manager Studio icon and double click on it to open the tool. You should automatically be connected to the DVM server running on z/OS, see below.



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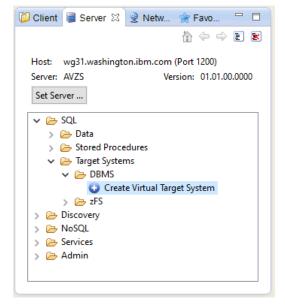
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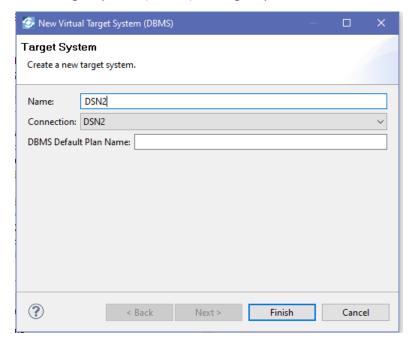
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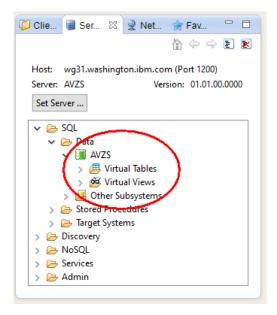
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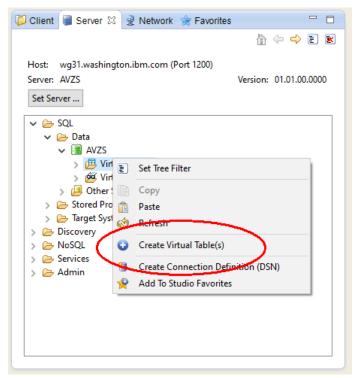
3. This opens the New Virtual Target System (DBMS) – Target System window, click Finish to continue.



4. Next expand the *SQL* folder then the *Data* folder and then the *AVZS* folder to display the *Virtual Tables* and *Virtual Views*, see below.

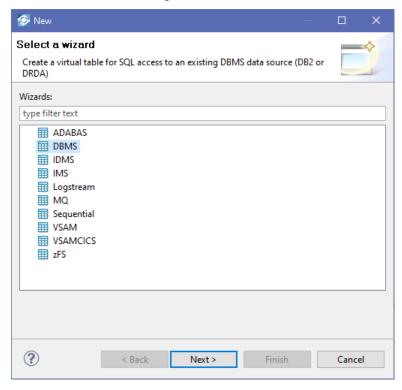


____5. Select the *Virtual Tables* folder and right mouse button click and then select *Create Virtual Table(s)* option, see below.

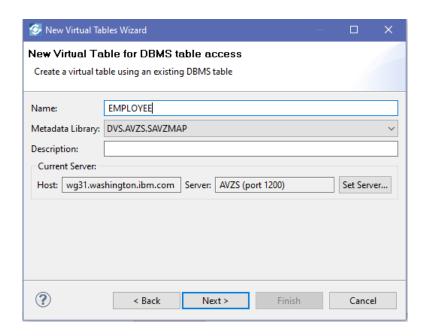


Tech-Tip: You may be presented with a *New Connection Definition (DSN)* pop-up. Just click the **OK** button to proceed.

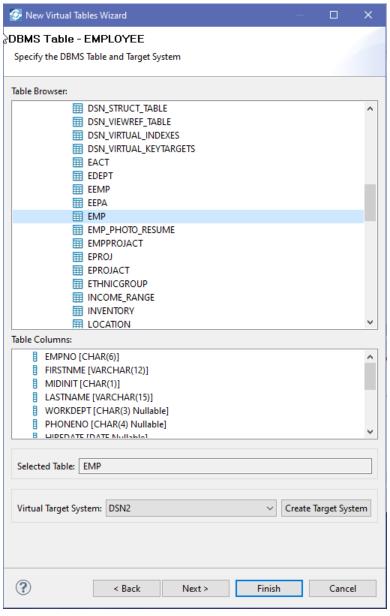
7. On the Select a wizard window select, DBMS and press Next to continue.



_8. Next create a virtual table for the Db2 employee sample table.. On the *New Virtual Table Wizard – New Virtual Table for DBMS table access* window enter *EMPLOYEE* as the name of the table. Click **Next** to continue.

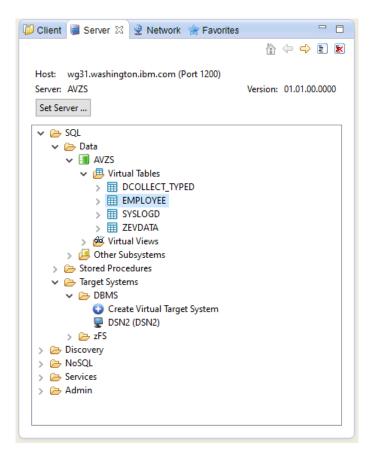


__9. On the *DBMS Table - Employee* window, expand *DSN2 (DB2Mbr)*. Then expand schema *DSN81210*, then *Tables* and then scroll down and select table *EMP*, e.g., Db2 sample table *DSN81210.EMP*.

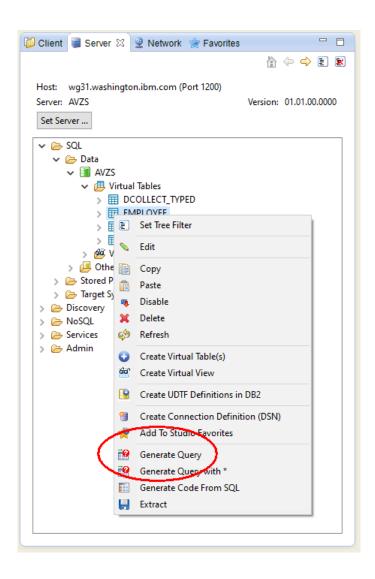


10. Click **Finish** to continue.

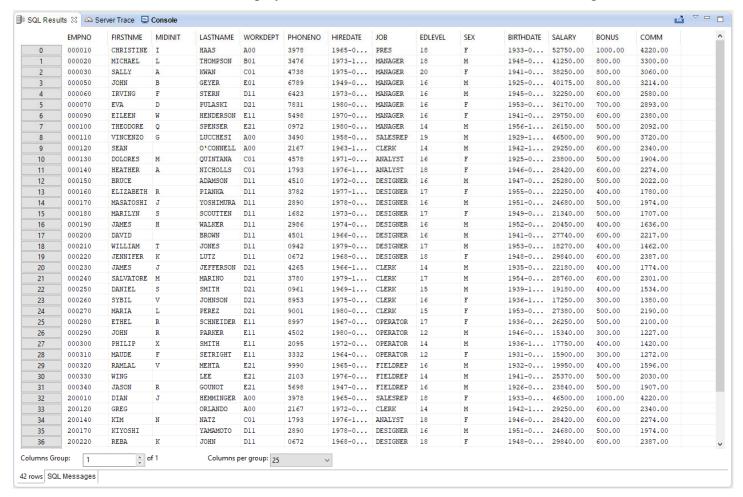
_11. In the list of *Virtual Tables*, an entry for *EMPLOYEE* should now appear. Select *EMPLOYEE* and right mouse button click.



12. Select option *Generate Query* and click **Yes** on the *Execute Query*? pop up window. If a *New Connection Definition(DSN)* pop up window appears, click **OK** to continue.



13. This will access the Db2 table and display the rows of the table in the view on the lower right-hand side



Verification of the virtual table completes the creation of the virtual table for the sample EMP table.

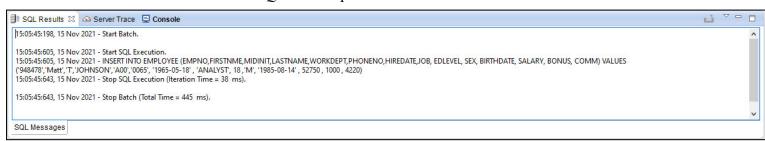
Explore accessing a virtual table using SQL commands

Now that the virtual tables have been created, they can be used to explore and test SQL commands in the *Generated.sql* pane of the DVM studio.

1. In the DVM studio, focus on the *Generated.sql* pane, see below. Enter a SQL INSERT command as shown below:

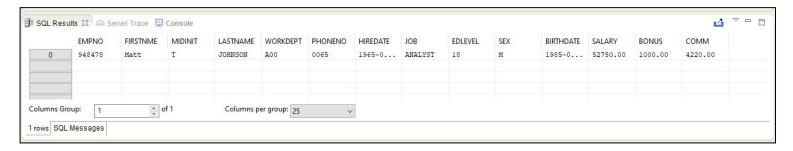
INSERT INTO EMPLOYEE
(EMPNO,FIRSTNME,MIDINIT,LASTNAME,WORKDEPT,PHONENO,HIREDATE,JOB, EDLEVEL,
SEX, BIRTHDATE, SALARY, BONUS, COMM)
VALUES ('948478','Matt','T','JOHNSON','A00','0065', '1965-05-18', 'ANALYST', 18,'M', '1985-08-14',
52750, 1000, 4220)

_2. Select the entire *INSERT* command and right mouse button click and select the *Execute SQL* option. You should see results like the one below in the *SQL Results* pane.



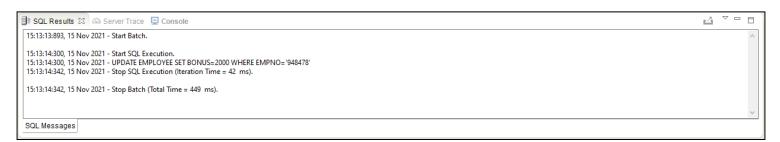
3. Use a SQL SELECT command to display the inserted row.

SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE EMPNO='948478'



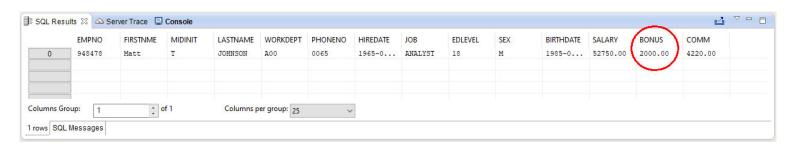
4. Use a SQL UPDATE command to update the new row's bonus column.

UPDATE EMPLOYEE SET BONUS=2000 WHERE EMPNO='948478'



5. Use a SQL SELECT command to display the row's updated information.

SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE EMPNO='948478'



6. Use a SQL DELETE command to delete row.

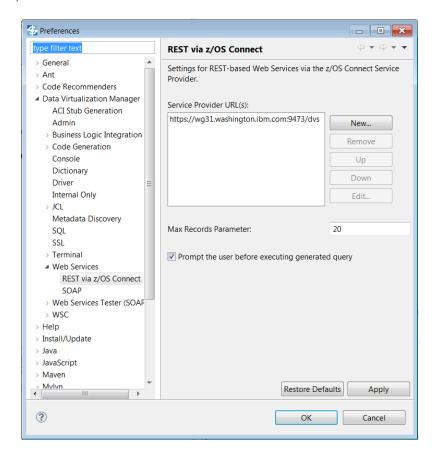
DELETE FROM EMPNO WHERE EMPNO='948478'



The purpose of exploring these SQL command using the studio was to demonstrate how the virtual tables can be accessed to insert, update, retrieve and delete segments in a hierarchical data base. What we learned regarding these SQL commands can be now be used to create DVM services.

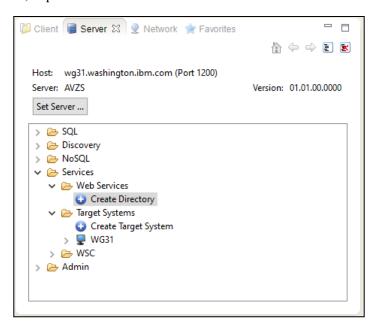
Create a Web Services

____1. Confirm that the DVM studio is properly configured to communicate with the z/OS Connect server with the DVM service provider installed. On the DVM Studio toolbar, click on *Windows* then *Preferences* to display the Eclipse *Preferences* window. Expand *Data Virtualization Manager* and then *Web Services* to select *REST via z/OS Connect*, see below:

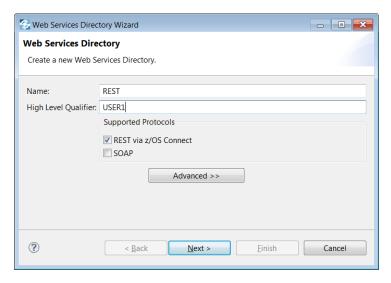


____2. Ensure the *Service Provider URL(s)* is set to https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/dvs. If not, select the provider and use the **Edit** button to set it correctly or if a *Service Provide URL* is not present, add one.

3. Back in the Server view, expand the Services and then the Web Services folders.

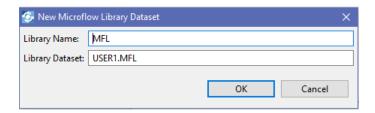


___4. If the /REST/ Web Services directory does not exist, double click on *Create Directory* to open the *Web Services Directory Wizard*. Enter **REST** and **USER1** as shown below. Click **Next** to continue. Otherwise continue with Step 7.

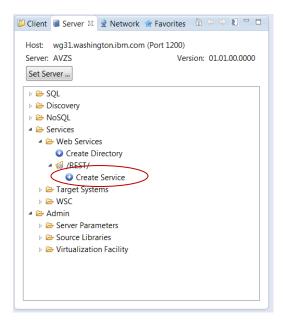


Tech-Tip: The *High-Level Qualifier* will be used to create a micro flow partitioned data set with a data set name of USER1.MFL.

_____5. On the Web Service Directory Wizard – Microflow Library window, if there is a current Microflow liberty (e.g., USER1.MFL), select it. Otherwise click the Create New Microflow Library button and accept the defaults on the New Microflow Library Dataset pop-up window. Click OK to continue.



- ____6. On the *Microflow Library* window select *MFL* under *Current Microflow Libraries* and click **Finish** to continue.
 - 7. Expand /REST/ and use the Create Service wizard to create a new web service.

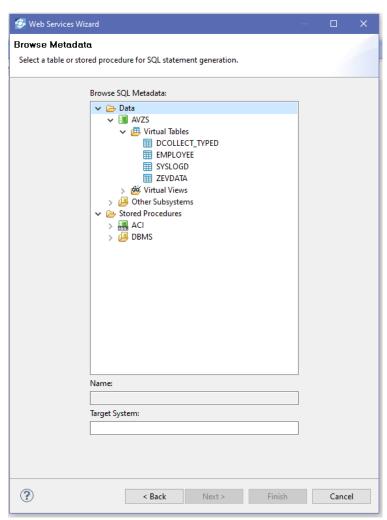


8. On the Web Service – Create a new Web Service window enter **EMPLOYEE** as the Name and press **Next** to continue.

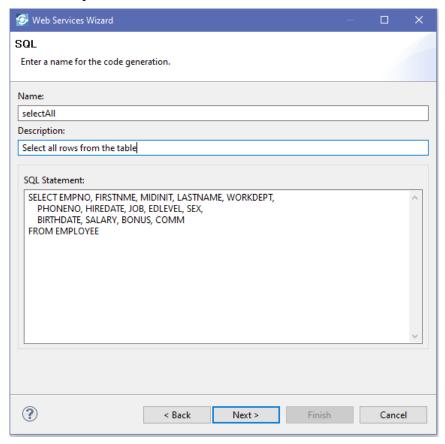
__9. On the *Web Service Operation Type* window ensure the radio button beside *Data Integration (REST via z/OS Connect or SOAP)* is selected and click **Next** to continue.



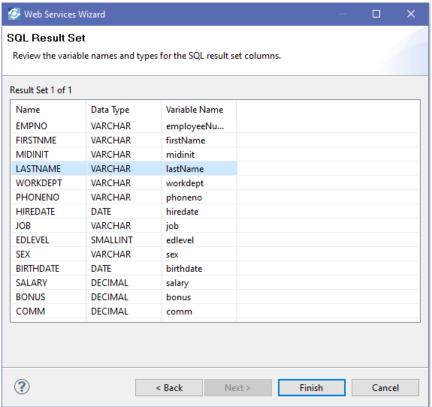
__10. On the *Browse Metadata* windows expand the *Data* folder then the *AVZS* folder and then the *Virtual Tables* folder to display the virtual table created in the previous section. Select virtual table *EMPLOYEE* and press **Next** to continue.



__11. The default SQL statement will be displayed on the *SQL* window. Change the name of the operation to *selectAll* to indicate that this operation will retrieve all rows from the table. Click **Next** to continue.



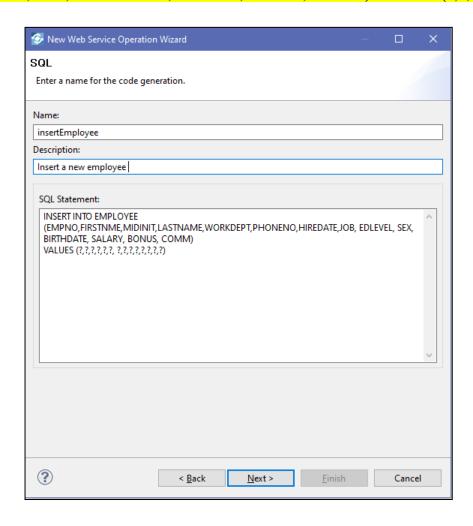
__12. The next window to be displayed will show the results that will be returned when the operation is executed. Change the *Variable names* for *EMPNO*, *FIRSTNME* and *LASTNAME* to **employeeNumber**, **firstName** and **lastName**.



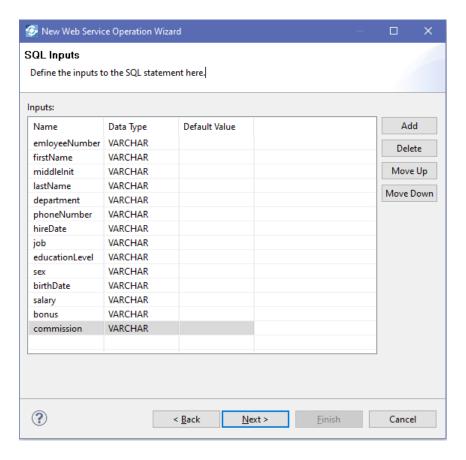
Tech-Tip: This window is useful for providing more JSON compatible property names in the RESTful request and response messages.

- 13. Click **Finish** to continue.
- __14. Use the *Create Operation* wizard under *EMPLOYEE* to create a new operation. Select the *EMPLOYEE* virtual table and click **Next**. This operation should be named *insertEmployee* and the *SQL Statement* should be changed to

INSERT INTO EMPLOYEE (EMPNO,FIRSTNME,MIDINIT,LASTNAME,WORKDEPT,PHONENO,HIREDATE,JOB, EDLEVEL, SEX, BIRTHDATE, SALARY, BONUS, COMM) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?,?)



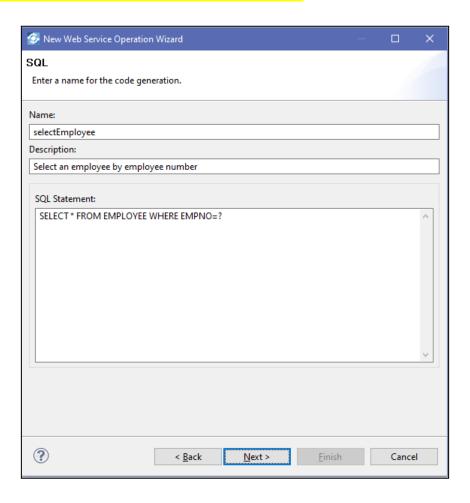
_15. Click **Next** to continue. Since a WHERE cause has been added with variables, providing values for these variables will be required. The next window to be displayed, *SQL Inputs*, will give us a chance to give meaningful names to these variables. On this window, click on the value of variable name in the *Name* column and change the contents of the *Name* column as shown below. The names entered on this screen will be used for the JSON property names in the request message. So, they do not have to match exactly what is shown. Click **Next** to continue.



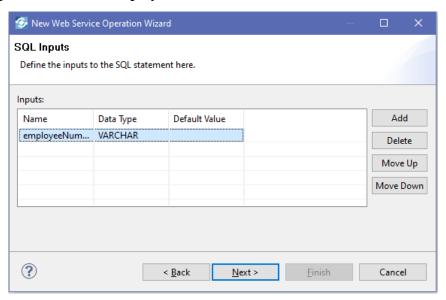
_16. No results are returned on an insert, so click **Finish** on the *SQL Result Set* window.

___17. Use the *Create Operation* wizard under *EMPLOYEE* to create a new operation. Select the *EMPLOYEE* virtual table and click **Next**. This operation should be named *selectEmployee* and the *SQL Statement* should be changed to:

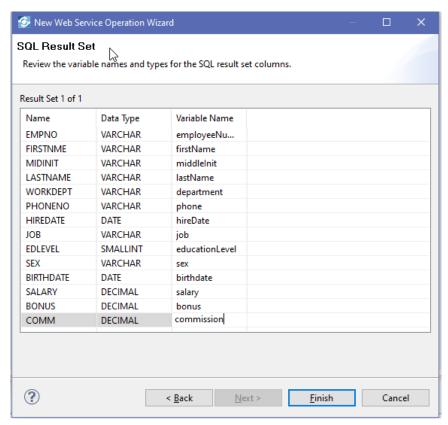
SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE EMPNO=?



__18. Click **Next** to continue. Since a *WHERE* cause has been added with a variable, providing a meaningful name for this variable will be required. The next window to be displayed, *SQL Inputs*, will give us a chance to give a meaningful name to the variable. On this window click on the values of variable name in the *Name* column and change the contents to *employeeNumber*. Click **Next** to continue.

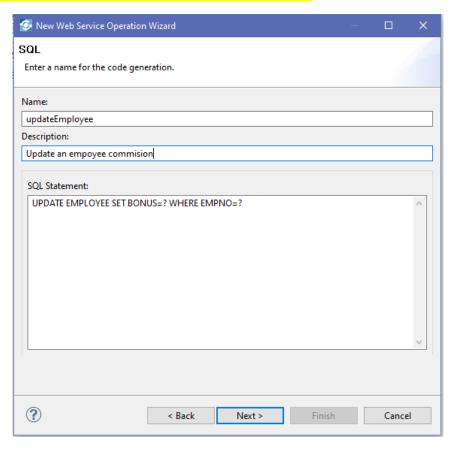


_19. The columns that will be returned are displayed on the *SQL Result Set* window. Change the Variable Names as shown below (these names will be JSON property names in the response message) and then click **Finish** to continue.

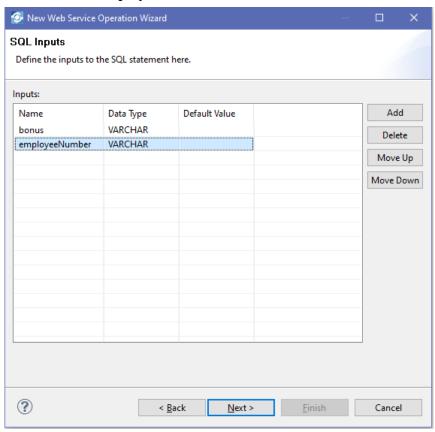


____20. Use the *Create Operation* wizard under *EMPLOYEE* create a new operation. Select the *EMPLOYEE* virtual table and click **Next.** This operation should be named *updateEmployee* and the *SQL Statement* should be changed to:

UPDATE EMPLOYEE SET BONUS=? WHERE EMPNO=?



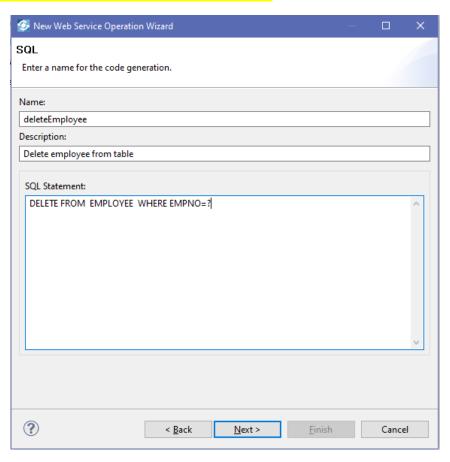
__21. Click **Next** to continue. Since a *WHERE* cause has been added with variables, providing meaningful names for these variables will be required. The next window to be displayed, *SQL Inputs*, will give us a chance to give meaningful names. On this window, click on the values of variable name in the *Name* column and change the contents to *bonus* and *employeeNumber*. Click **Next** to continue.



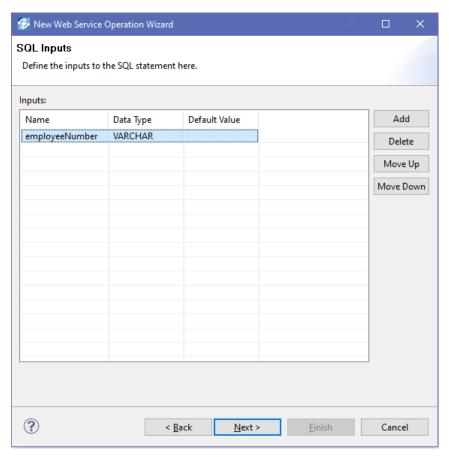
22. No result set for this operation, so click **Finish** on the *SQL Result Set* window.

___23. Use the *Create Operation* wizard under *EMPLOYEE* create a new operation. Select the *EMPLOYEE* virtual table and click **Next.** This operation should be named *deleteEmployee* and the *SQL Statement* should be changed to:

DELETE FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE EMPNO=?



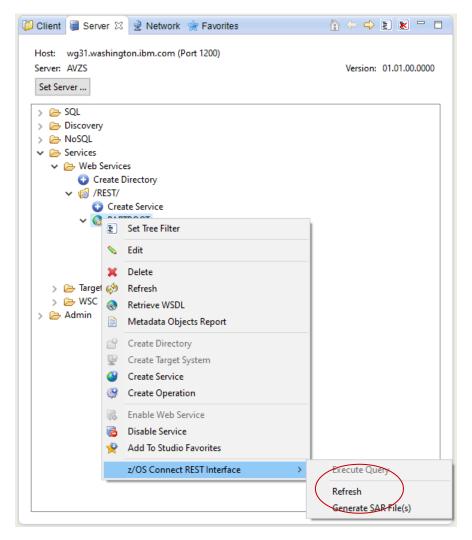
___24. Click **Next** to continue. Since a *WHERE* cause has been added with variable, providing a meaningful name for this variable will be required. The next window to be displayed, *SQL Inputs*, will give us a chance to give a meaningful name to the variable. On this window click on the value of variable name in the *Name* column and change the contents to *employeeNumber*. Click **Next** to continue.



25. No result set for this operation, so click **Finish** on the *SQL Result Set* window.

Deploy the DVM services

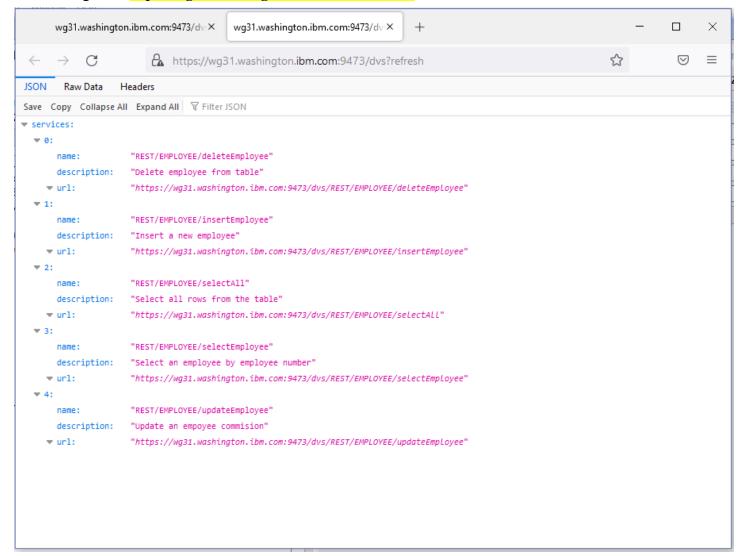
_1. These operations need to be deployed to z/OS Connect server. Select *PARTROOT* folder under /*REST*/ and right mouse button click. Select the *z/OS Connect REST Interface* option then the *Refresh* option. This will install the selected DVM services into the z/OS Connect server as DVM services.



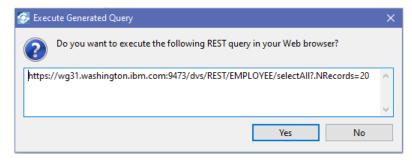
Tech Tip: Operations can be deployed individually by selecting the specific operation and right mouse button clicking and selecting **Refresh**.

Tech Tip: You may be challenged by Firefox because the digital certificate used by the Liberty z/OS server is self-signed Click the **Advanced** button to continue. Scroll down and then click on the **Accept the Risk and Continue** button. Next you may see a prompt you for a userid and password. If you do see the prompt, enter the username **USER1** and password **USER1** and click **OK**.

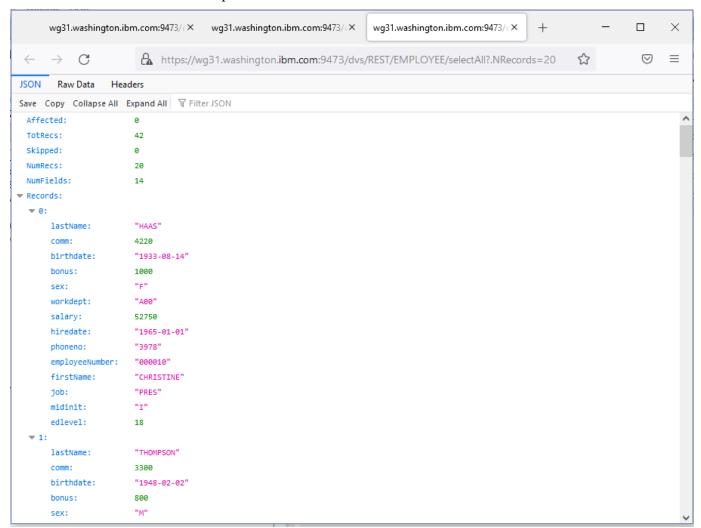
__2. When finished all the operations should be displayed as DVM services in the z/OS Connect server by entering URL https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/dvs.



- ____3. A subset of these z/OS Connect services can now be tested using the DVM Data Manager Studio (only the services that do selects) Select the *selectAll* operation and right mouse button click. Select the *z/OS Connect REST Interface option* then the *Execute Query* option.
 - 4. This pop-up window should be displayed. Click **OK** to continue.



5. A web browser session should open with results like the one below.



Tech-Tip: The above results show some new fields in the response messages. There meanings are provided below:

Affected: The number of records deleted, updated or inserted by this request.

TotRecs: The number of records found.
Skipped: The number of records skipped
NumRecs: The number of records returned.

NumFields: The number of fields returned for each record.

Export the DVM services as z/OS Connect service archive files

Finally, the Service Archive (SAR) files need to be exported from the DVM Studio for use in the z/OS Connect API Editor. Select EMPLOYEE and right mouse button click. Select the z/OS Connect REST Interface option then the Generate SAR File(s) option. A pop-up window will appear for each SAR file to be exported, click OK on each.



This exports the SAR files to a subdirectory in the DVM Toolkit's workspace directory, e.g.,

Tech-Tip: The directory where the SAR file is exported may be different on your system. Make a note of this directory name so you will know from where to import the SAR file later. On some images, this directory will be *C:\Users\administrator\dvm_workspace\Data Virtualization Manager\zOSConnect*.

C:\Users\workstation\dvm_workspace\Data Virtualization Manager\zOSConnect. This pop-up will be repeated for each operation. This directory will be referenced in a latter section of this exercise.

Using z/OS Connect APIs to access DVM services

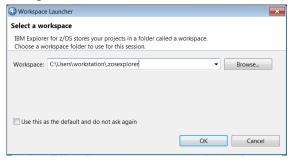
Connect to a z/OS Connect Server

Begin by establishing a connection to the DVM z/OS Connect server from IBM z/OS Explorer.

1. On the workstation desktop, locate the *z/OS Explorer* icon and double click on it to open the Explorer.

Tech-Tip: Windows desktop tools can be opened either by double clicking the icon or by selecting the icon and right mouse button clicking and then selecting the *Open* option.

2. You will be prompted for a workspace:



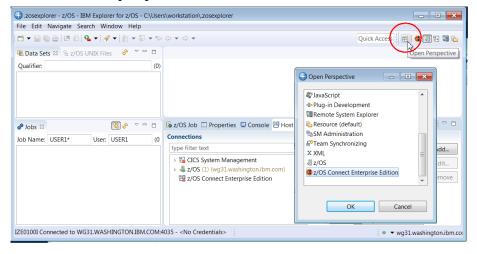
Take the default value by clicking **OK**.

_3. The Explorer should open in the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* perspective. Verify this by looking in the upper left corner. You should see:

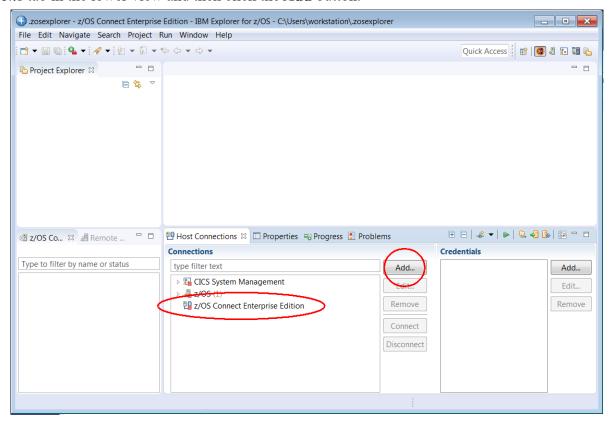


N.B. If a *Welcome* screen is displayed then click the white X beside *Welcome* to close this view.

_4. If the current perspective is not *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition*, select the *Open Perspective* icon on the top right side to display the list of available perspectives, see below. Select **z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition** and click the **OK** button to switch to this perspective.



5. To add a connection to the z/OS Connect server, select z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition connection in the Host connections tab in the lower view and then click the **Add** button.



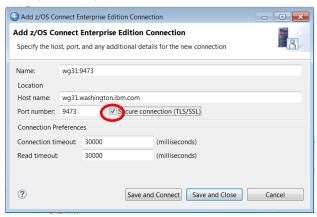
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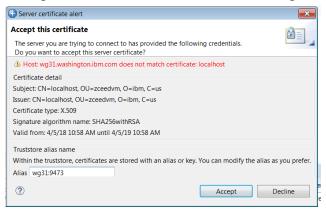
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_6. In the pop-up list displayed, select z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition and on the Add z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition Connection window enter wg31.washington.ibm.com for the Host name, 9473 for the Port Number, check the box for Secure connection (TLS/SSL) and then click the Save and Connect button.



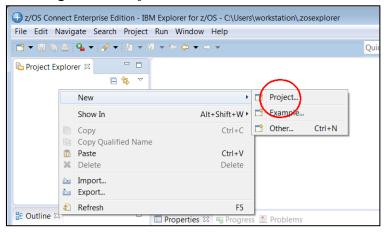
- _7. On the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition User ID* required screen, create new credentials for a *User ID* of *USER1* and for *Password or Passphrase* enter USER's password. Click **OK** to continue.
- __8. Click the **Accept** button on the *Server certificate alert Accept this certificate* screen. You may be presented with another prompt for a userid and password, enter *USER1* and USER1's password again.



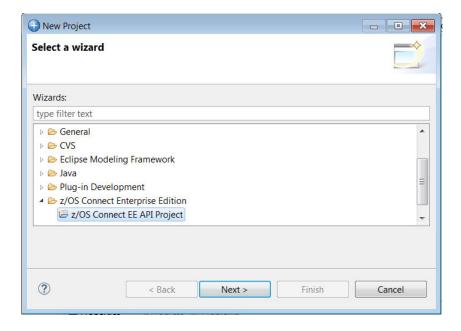
_9. The status icon beside wg31:9473 should now be a green circle with a lock. This shows that a secure connection has been established between the z/OS Explorer and the z/OS Connect server. A red box indicates that no connection exists.

Create the Db2 DVM API Project

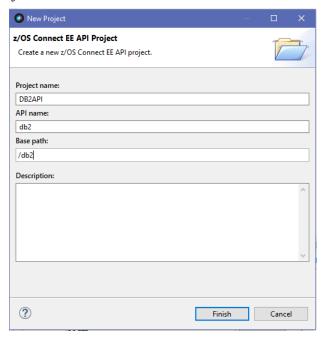
_1. In the z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition perspective of the z/OS Explorer, create a new API project by clicking the right mouse button and selecting New \rightarrow Project:



_2. In the *New Project* window, scroll down and open the *z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition* folder and select *z/OS Connect API Project* and then click the **Next** button.



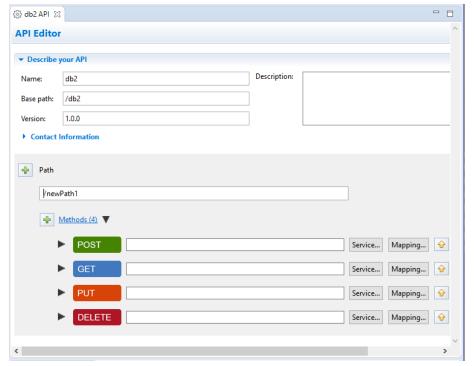
3. Enter **DB2API** for the *Project name*. Be sure the *API name* is set to **db2** and the *Base path is* set to **db2**



Note: The Base path name of /db2 is used to distinguish a request for this API from other APIs in the same server. It can be any value as long as the value is unique within the server. The same is true of any sub path names added to the base path. Sub path names are used to distinguish one mehod/service from another within an API.

4. You should now see something like the view below. The view may need to be adjusted by dragging the view

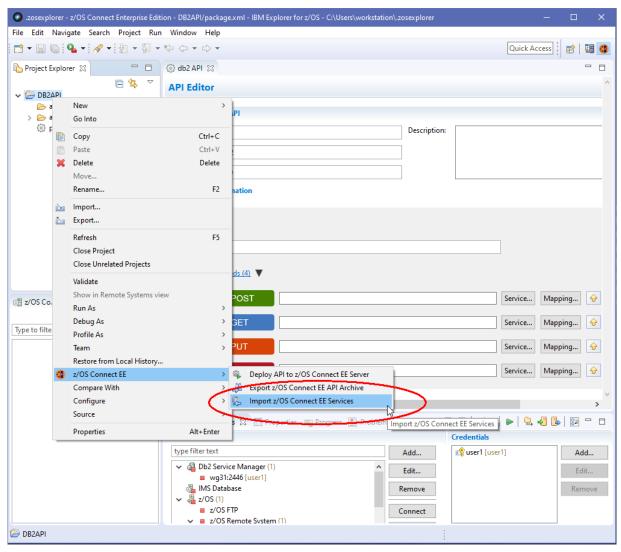
boundary lines.



Tech-Tip: If the API Editor view is closed, it can be reopened by double clicking the *package.xml* file in the API project.

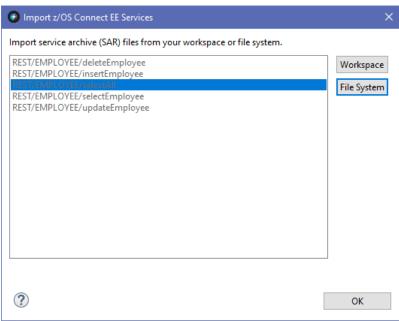
Import the SAR files generated by the DVM Studio

1. In the z/OS Explorer in the z/OS Connect Enterprise Edition perspective in the the Project Explorer view (upper left), right-click on the DB2API project, then select z/OS Connect and then Import z/OS Connect Services (see below):

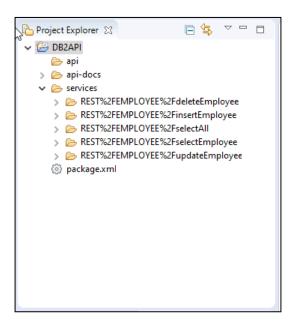


Tech-Tip: Remember from step 6 on page 32, the directory where the SAR file is to be imported from may be different on your system. On some images, this directory will be *C:\Users\administrator\dvm workspace\Data Virtualization Manager\zOSConnect.*

- _2. In the *Import z/OS Connect Services* window click on the **File System** button and navigate to directory *C:\Users\workstation\dvm_workspace\Data Virtualization Manager\zOSConnect*. Select all the SAR files and click on the **Open** button. (Hint: use the *Ctrl-A* key sequence to select all the files).
- 3. The service archive files should appear in the *Import Services* window. Click the **OK** button twice to import them into the workspace.

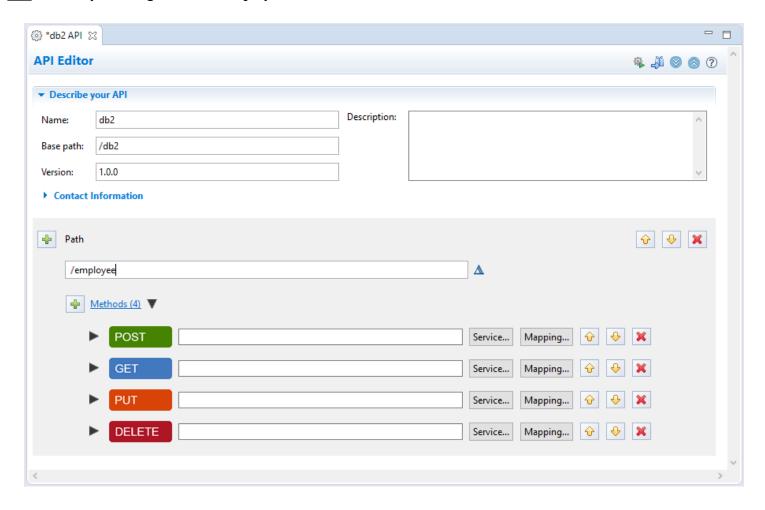


4. In the *Project Explorer* view (upper left), expand the *services* folder to see the the imported service:

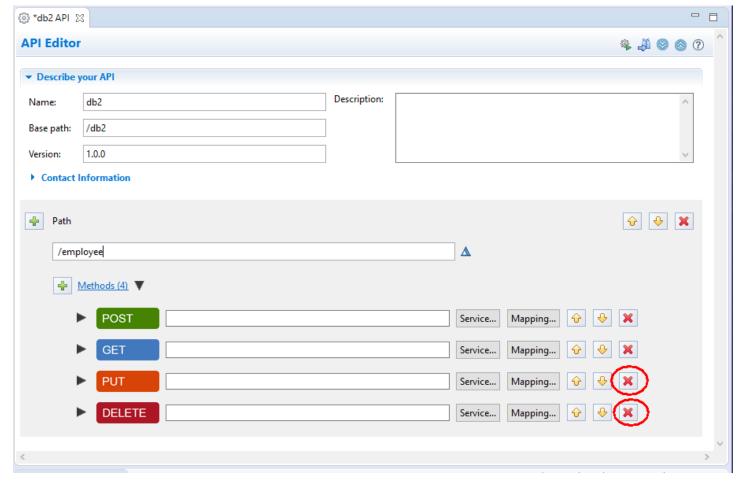


Compose an API for the IMS DVM Rest Services

1. Start by entering a *Path* of /employee in the z/OS Connect API Editor view as shown below:

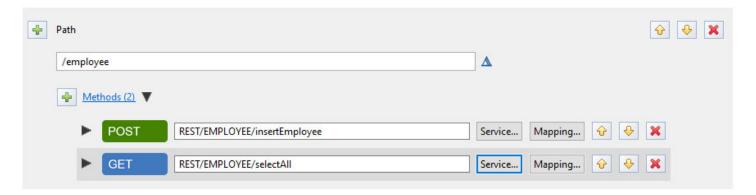


2. The initial API to be added will be when no path or query parameter will be required, the supported HTTP methods will only be the **GET** and **POST** methods. Remove the **PUT** and **DELETE** methods by clicking the red *X* icon to the right of each method.



- ____3. That should leave you with just the **GET** and POST methods.
- ____4. Click on the **Service** button to the right of the **POST** method. Then select the *REST/EMPLOYEE/insertEmployee* service from the list of services and click **OK**. This will populate the field to the right of the method.

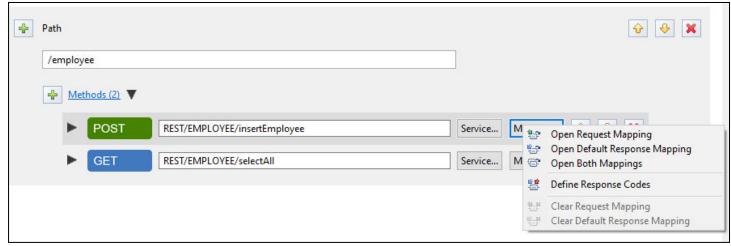
____5. Click on the **Service** button to the right of the **GET** method. Then select the *REST/EMPLOYEE/selectAll* service from the list of services and click **OK**. This will populate the field to the right of the method.



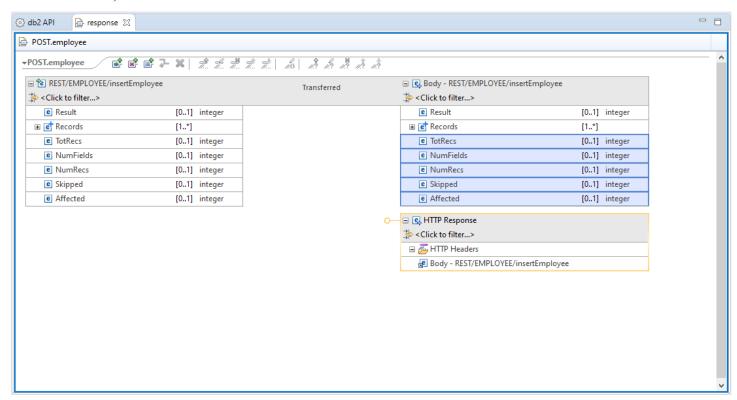
6. Save the changes so far by using the key sequence Ctrl-S.

Tech-Tip: If any change is made in any edit view an asterisk (*) will appear before the name of the artifact in the view tab, e.g., *package.xml. Changes can be saved at any time by using the **Ctrl-S** key sequence.

____7. Next, click on the **Mapping** button beside the **POST** method and then select *Open Default Response Mapping*:

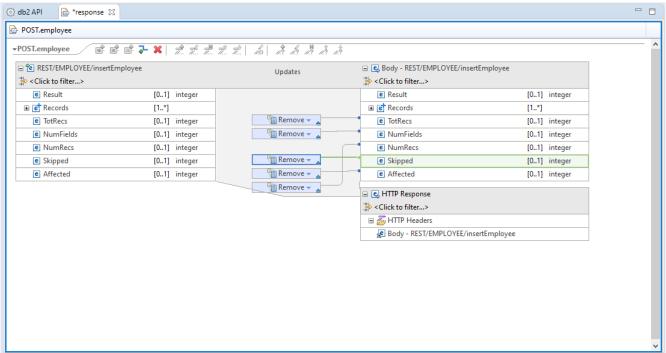


_8. Use the left mouse button and draw a dotted line box that **<u>fully</u>** includes the *TotRecs, NumFields, NumRecs, Skipped* and *Affected* fields. When you release the button, these fields should be selected (the background should be blue).

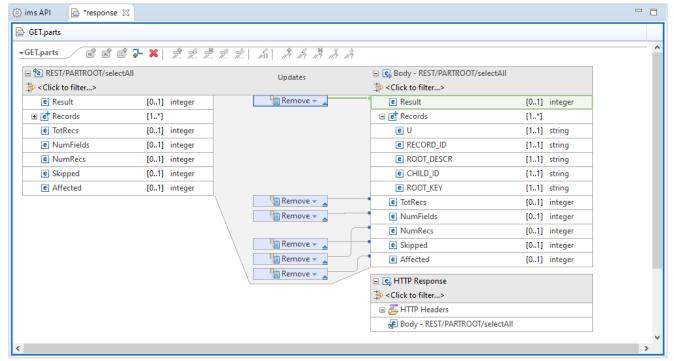


Tech-Tip: This step is being done just to show how fields can be removed from the service interface response message. Response fields like *TotRecs*, *Affected*, *NumRecs*, etc. can be checked like this to set appropriate HTTP response codes. For example, if you were doing a GET (a SELECT) and the value of *NumRecs* was zero, the HTTP response code could be set to 404 - Not Found.

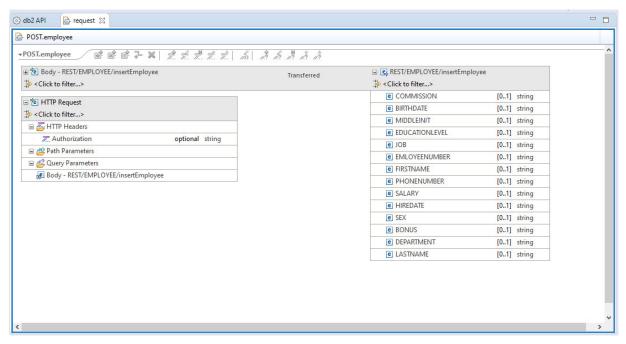
- ____9. Right mouse button click on any of the selected fields and select the *Add Remove transform* from the list of options.
 - _10. This action generates multiple "Remove" requests (see below) for the selected fields. These fields are not required to be display so they will be removed from the response.



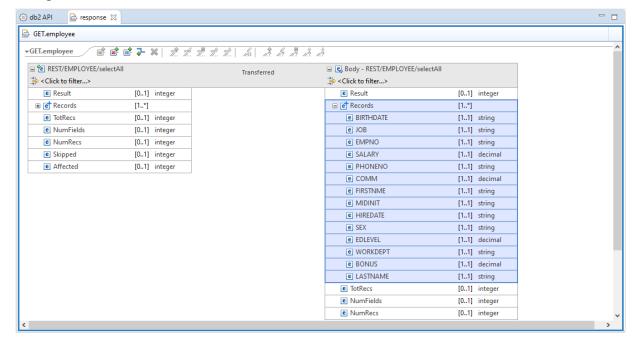
__11. Select the *Result* field and remove it from the response. If not expanded already, expand the *Records* structure and you should see the 'columns' that will be displayed in the response.



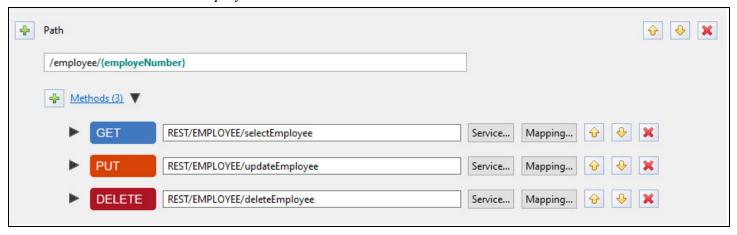
- 12. Use the *Ctrl-S* key sequence to save all changes and close the *POST.employee* response view.
- _13. Next, click on the **Mapping** button beside the **POST** method and then select *Open Request Mapping* for this method. Notice that the property names you provided earlier are being used. Close the request view.



__14. Next, click on the **Mapping** button beside the **GET** method and then select *Open Default Response Mapping*. Expand *Records* in the response and you see the property names that will appear in the response message.

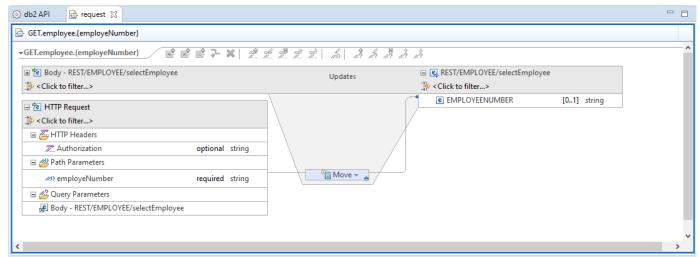


- _15. Next, click on the **Mapping** button beside the **POST** method and then select *Open Request Mapping* for this method. Notice that there are no property names since no request message is required. Close the request view.
- _16. Next, we want to add a *Path* for the other three DVM services, *selectEmployee*, *updateEmployee* and *deleteEmployee*. Click the plus icon beside *Path* on the z/OS Connect API Editor view to add path /employee/{employeeNumber} to the API. Remove the POST method and associate the GET method with service *REST/EMPLOYEE/selectEmployee*, the PUT method with service *REST/EMPLOYEE/updateEmployee* and the DELETE method with service *REST/EMPLOYEE/deleteEmployee*.



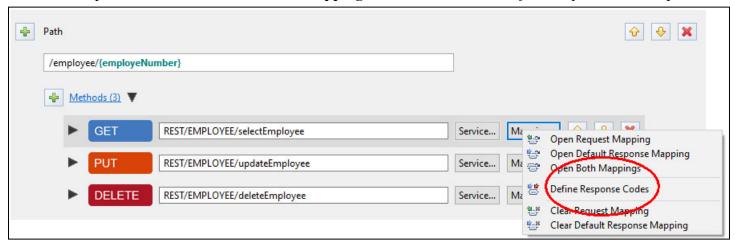
Tech-Tip: Additional *Paths* can be added by clicking the + icon beside *Path and additional Methods* can be added by clicking the + icon beside *Methods*.

_17. Click on the **Mapping** button beside the **GET** method and then select *Open Request Mapping* for this method. Map the path parameter *employeeNumber* to the *employeeNumber* field in the request message, as shown below. This is done by selecting *employeeNumber* on the left-hand side and dragging it over to *employeeNumber* on the right hand side to make a *Move* connection so the value or contents of the *employeeNumber* path parameter are moved into *employeeNumber* field of the request

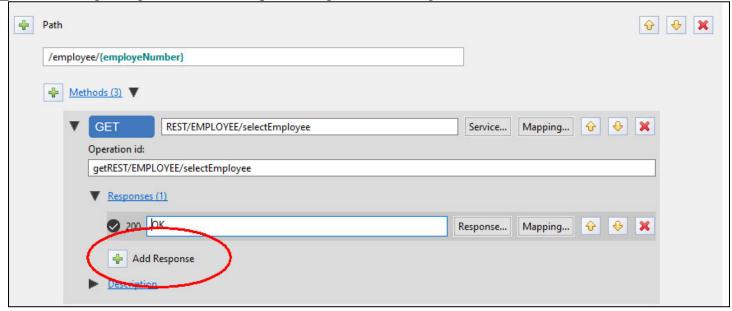


18. Repeat this mapping for the other two methods (**PUT** and **DELETE**).

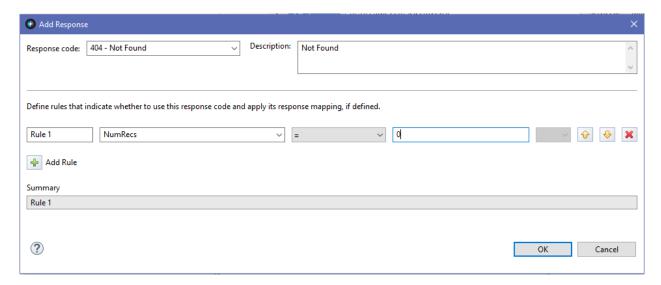
_19. Define a *Response Code* for a GET request that if the number of records returned equal zero that will set the HTTP response code to 404. Click on the **Mapping** button and select the *Define Response Codes* option.



20. Click the plus sign beside **Add Response** to open the *Add Response* window.



___21. Use the pull-down arrow to select 404 – Not Found for the Response Code. Use the pull-down arrows to select field NumRecs and the equal sign for Rule 1. Enter 0 in the open area for Rule 1. When finished your windows should look like the one below. Click **OK** to continue.



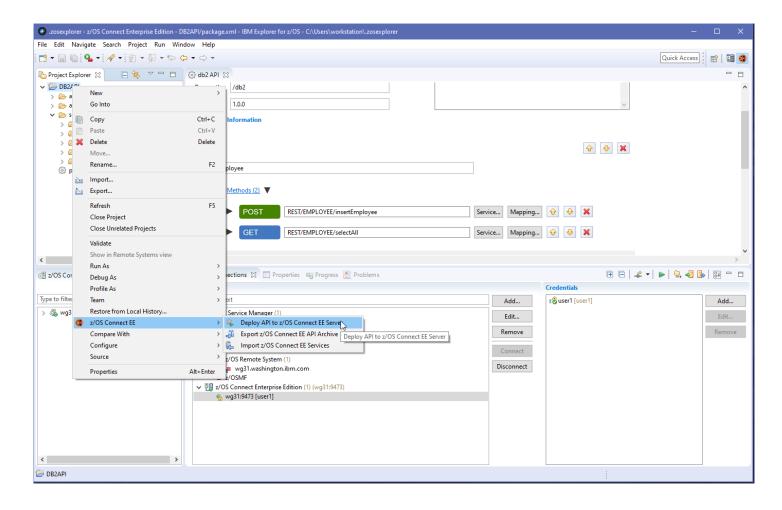
22. Add 404 response codes for the other two methods (PUT and DELETE).

Summary

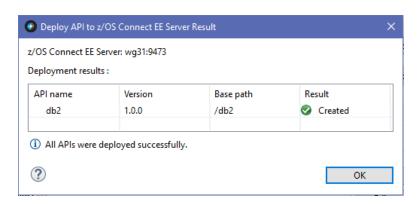
You created the API, which consists of multiple paths and the request and response mapping associated with each. That API will now be deployed into a z/OS Connect server.

Deploy the API to a z/OS Connect Server

___1. In the *Project Explorer* view (upper left), right-mouse click on the *IMSAPI* folder, then select *z/OS Connect* \rightarrow *Deploy API to z/OS Connect Server*.

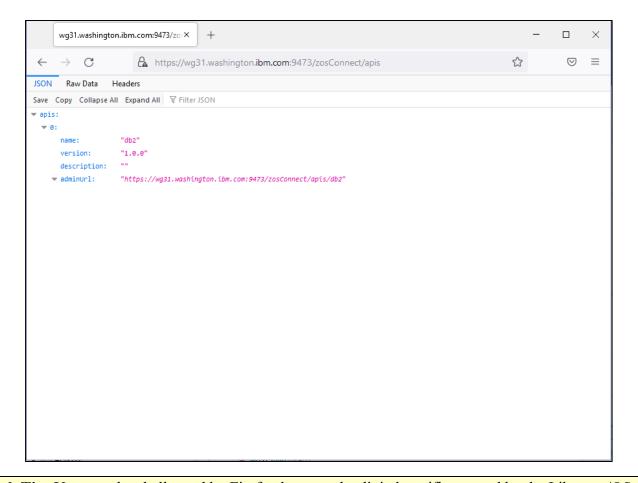


- ____2. If the z/OS Explorer is connected to only one z/OS Connect server, there will be only one choice (wg31:9473). If z/OS Explorer had multiple connections to z/OS Connect servers then the pull-down arrow would allow a selection to which server to deploy, select wg31:9473 from the list. Click **OK** on this window to continue.
- ___3. The API artifacts will be transferred to z/OS in an API archive (AAR) file and copied into the /var/ats//zosconnect/servers/zceedvm/resources/zosconnect/apis directory.



Test the Db2 APIs using Swagger UI

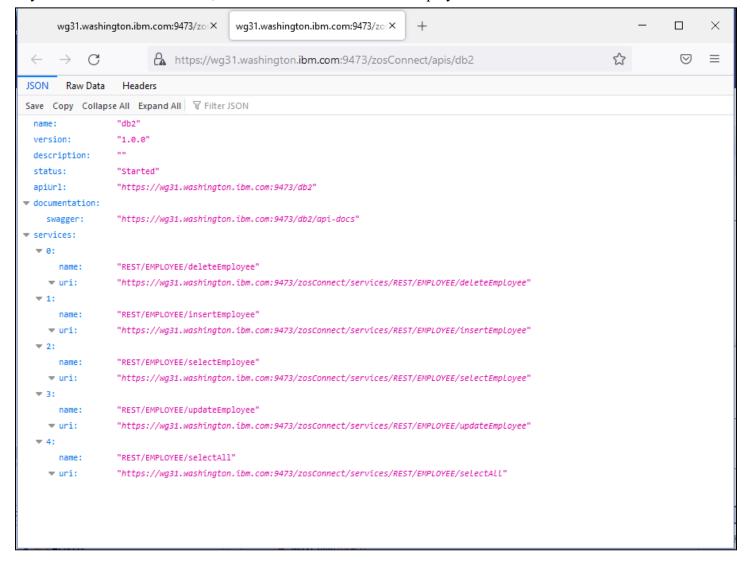
1. Next enter URL https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/zosConnect/apis in the Firefox browser and you should see the window below.



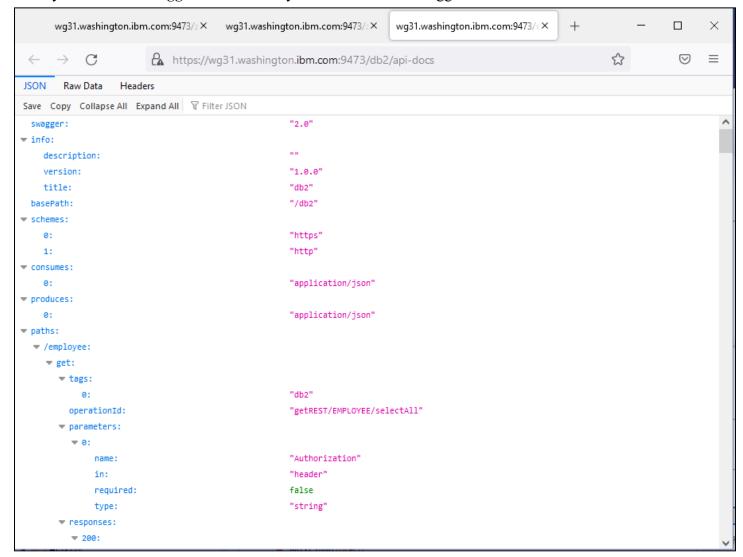
Tech Tip: You may be challenged by Firefox because the digital certificate used by the Liberty z/OS server is self-signed Click the **Advanced** button to continue. Scroll down and then click on the **Accept the Risk and Continue** button. Next you may see a prompt you for a userid and password. If you do see the prompt, enter the username *USER1* and password user1 and click **OK**.

Tech Tip: It is very important to access the z/OS Connect server from a browser prior to any testing using the Swagger U. Accessing a z/OS Connect URL from a browser starts an SSL handshake between the browser and the server. If this handshake has not performed prior to performing any test the test will fail with no message in the browser and no explanation. Ensuring this handshake has been performed is why you may be directed to access a z/OS Connect URL prior to using the Swagger UI.

2. If you click on adminUrl URL, the window below should be displayed:



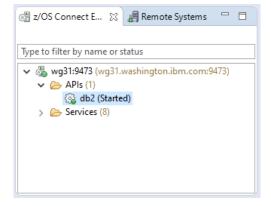
3. Finally click on the swagger URL for and you should see the Swagger document associated with this API.



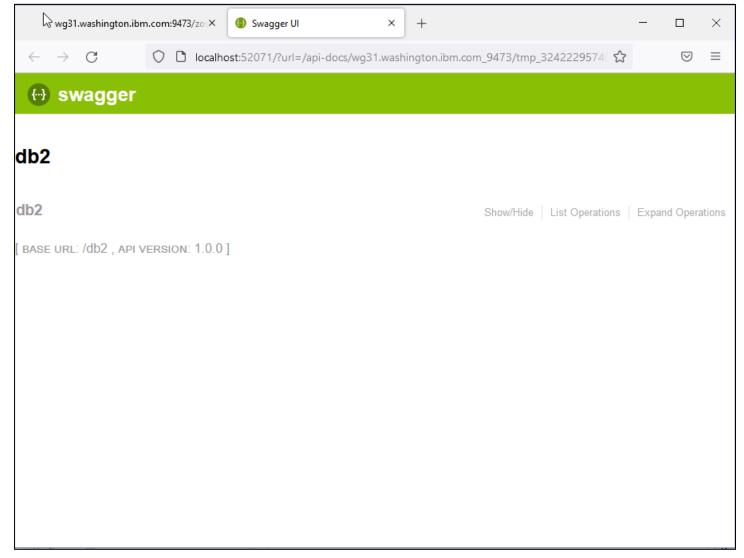
Explore this Swagger document and you will see the results of the request and response mapping performed earlier. This Swagger document can be used by a developer or other tooling to develop REST clients for this specific API.

4. In the lower left-hand side of the *z/OS Connect Explorer* perspective there is view entitled *z/OS Connect Servers*. Expand *wg31:9473* and the expand the *APIs* folder. You should see a list of the APIs installed in the

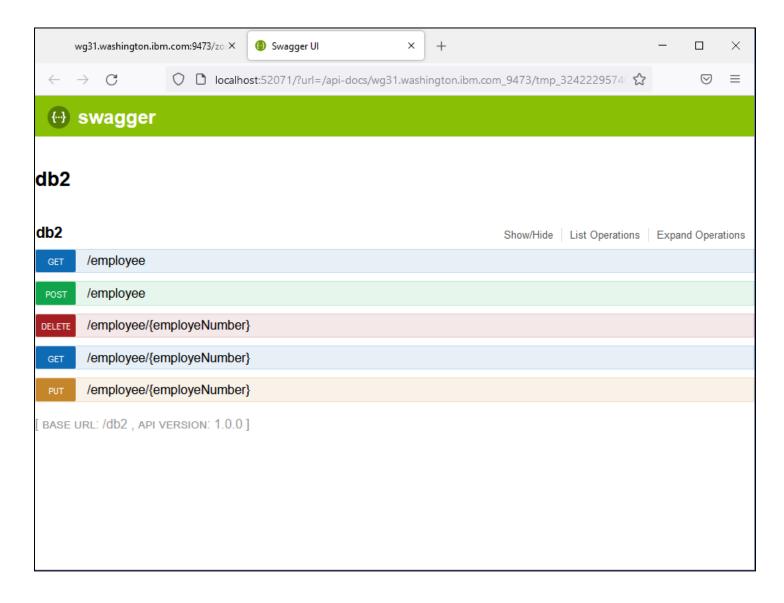
server.



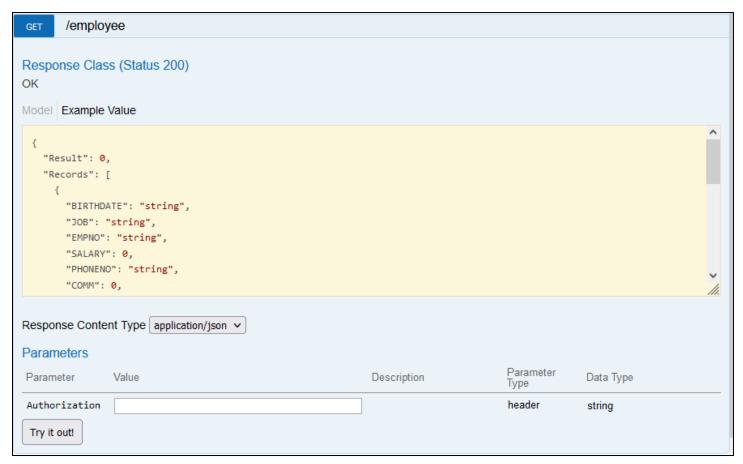
5. Right mouse button click on *db2* and select *Open in Swagger UI*. Click **OK** if an informational prompt appears. This will open a new view showing a *Swagger* test client (see below).



6. Click on *List Operations* option in this view and this will display a list of available HTTP methods in this API.



_7. Select the *GET* method for selecting all rows from the table by clicking on the /employee URI string. Remember this was the *Path* specified for the *GET* method for the selectAll service when the API was defined. This action will expand this method in this view and provide a Swagger UI test client (you may have to use the slider bar and adjust the perspective to see the entire client).



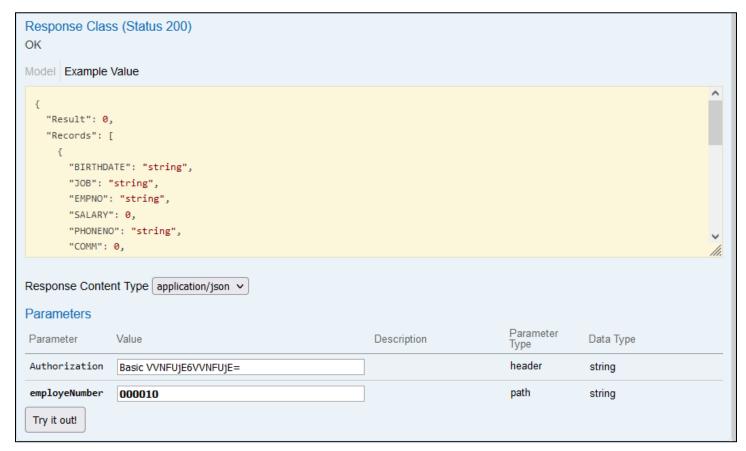
_8. Enter **Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE=** in the box beside *Authorization* and press the **Try it out!** button. You may see a Security Alert pop-up warning about the self-signed certificate being used by the z/OS Connect server. Click **Yes** on this pop-up.

Tech Tip: The string *VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE*= is the string USER1:USER1 encoded in base 64.See URL https://www.base64encode.org/ for information on how this string was generated.

9. Scroll down the view and you should see the *Response Body* which contains the results of the GET method (see below).

```
Response Body
    "Affected": 0,
    "TotRecs": 43,
    "Skipped": 0,
    "NumRecs": 43,
    "NumFields": 14,
    "Records": [
        "lastName": "HAAS",
        "comm": 4220,
        "birthdate": "1933-08-14",
        "bonus": 1000,
        "sex": "F",
        "workdept": "A00",
        "salary": 52750,
        "hiredate": "1965-01-01",
        "phoneno": "3978",
        "employeeNumber": "000010",
        "firstName": "CHRISTINE",
        Harry Monech
Response Code
 200
```

_10. Select the *GET* method for selecting a single record from the Db2 table by clicking on the /employee/{employeetNumber} URI string. Remember this was the *Path* specified for the *GET* method for the selectEmployee service when the API was defined. This action will expand this method in this view and provide a Swagger UI test client (you may have to use the slider bar and adjust the perspective to see the entire client). 11. Enter **Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE=** in the box beside *Authorization* and **0000'0**in the area beside *employeeNumber* and press the **Try it out!** button.



12. Scroll down the view and you should see the *Response Body* which contains the results of the GET method (see below).

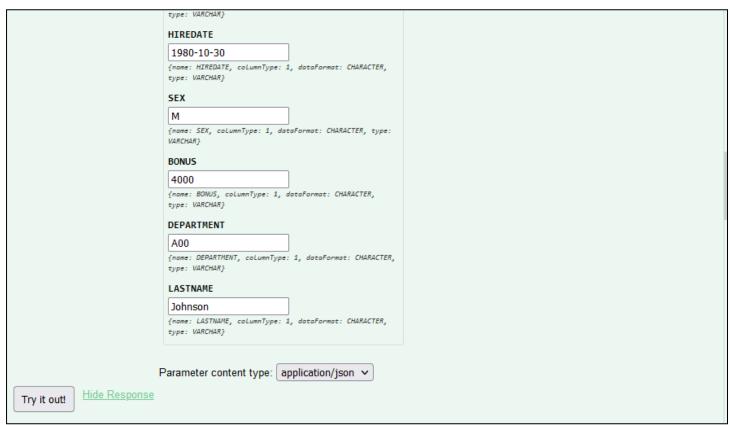
```
Response Body
      "Affected": 0,
      "TotRecs": 1,
       "Skipped": 0,
      "NumRecs": 1,
       "NumFields": 14,
       "Records": [
          "lastName": "HAAS",
          "hireDate": "1965-01-01",
          "birthdate": "1933-08-14",
          "bonus": 1000,
          "sex": "F",
          "salary": 52750,
          "employeeNumber": "000010",
          "firstName": "CHRISTINE",
          "phone": "3978",
          "educationLevel": 18,
           "commission": 4220,
           Response Code
   200
```

_13. Select the *POST* method for inserting a new employee in to the Db2 table by clicking on the *POST*/employee URI string. Remember this was the *Path* specified for the *POST* method for the *insertEmployee* service when the API was defined. Enter **Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE=** in the box beside Authorization

Enter the following values for the other fields

- a value of 1000 in the area under COMMISSION
- a value of 1900-10-10 in the area under BIRTHDATE
- a value of **T** in the area under MIDDLEINIT
- a value of 25 in the area under EDUCATIONLEVEL
- a value of *Analyst* in the area under *JOB*
- a value of **948478** in the area under *EMPLOYEENUMBER*
- a value of *Matt* in the area under *FIRSTNAME*
- a value of **0065** in the area under *PHONENUMBER*
- a value of 10000 in the area under SALARY
- a value of **1970-01-01** in the area under *HIREDATE*
- a value of *M* in the area under *SEX*
- a value of 4000 in the area under BONUS
- a value of A00 in the area under DEPARTMENT
- a value of *Johnson* in the area under *LASTNAME*

Then press the **Try it out!** button.



14. The results should show a **Response Code** of 200. Note that the columns removed from the interface in an earlier step are not present.

```
Curl

curl -X POST --header 'Content-Type: application/json' --header 'Accept: application/json' --header 'Authorization: Basic

Request URL

https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/db2/employee

Request Headers

{
    "Accept": "application/json",
    "Authorization": "Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE="
}

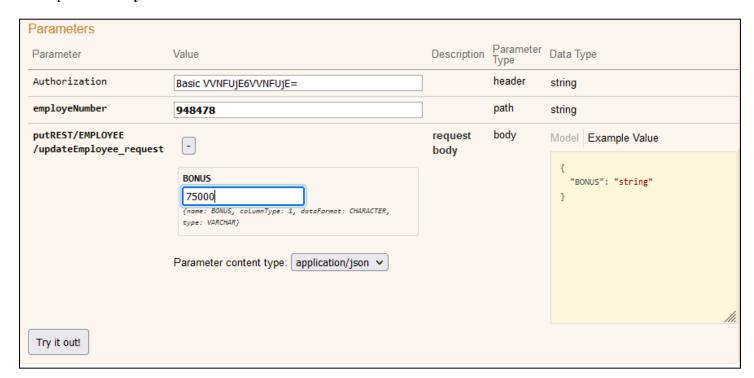
Response Body

{
    "Records": []
    }

Response Code

200
```

15. Select the *PUT* method for updating a row in the Db2 table by clicking on the *PUT* /employee/{employeeNumber} URI string. Remember this was the *Path* specified for the *PUT* method for the updateEmployee when the API was defined. Enter **Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE** in the box beside Authorization, a value of **948478** in the area under employeeNumber value of **75000** in the area under Bonus. Then press the **Try it out!** button.



16. The results should show a **Response Code** of 200.

```
Response Body

{
    "Affected": 1,
    "TotRecs": 0,
    "Skipped": 0,
    "NumRecs": 0,
    "NumFields": 0,
    "Records": [],
    "Result": 0
    }

Response Code
```

17. Use the GET method for retrieving a single row from the Db2 table to retrieve the row for *employeeNumber* 948478 to confirm the *Bonus* column has been updated.

```
Response Body
      necorus . [
         "lastName": "Johnson",
         "hireDate", "1980-10-30",
          birthdate": "1900-10-10",
          "bonus": 75000,
         "sex": "M",
         "salary": 10000,
         "employeeNumber": "948478",
         "firstName": "Matt",
         "phone": "0065",
         "educationLevel": 25,
         "commission": 1000,
         "department": "A00",
         "job": "analyst",
         "middleInit": "T"
       }
     ],
     "Result": 0
Response Code
 200
```

- 18. Select the *DELETE* method for deleting a row from the Db2 table by clicking on the *DELETE*/employee/{employeeNumber} URI string. Remember this was the *Path* specified for the *PUT* method for the deleteEmployee service when the API was defined. Enter Basic VVNFUjE6VVNFUjE= in the box beside Authorization, a value of 948478 in the area beside employeeNumber. Then press the Try it out! button. It should complete with a 200 Response Code.
- 19. Press the **Try it out!** button again for the delete request. This time is should fail with a 404 (not found) Response code. This occurred because of the check for the number of records response test added to the API.

```
Response Body

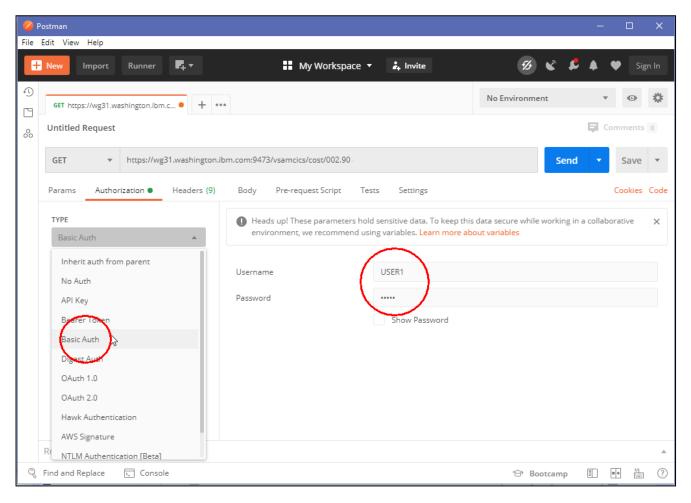
{
    "Affected": 0,
    "TotRecs": 0,
    "Skipped": 0,
    "NumRecs": 0,
    "NumFields": 0,
    "Records": [],
    "Result": 0
}

Response Code
```

Test the DB2 APIs using Postman

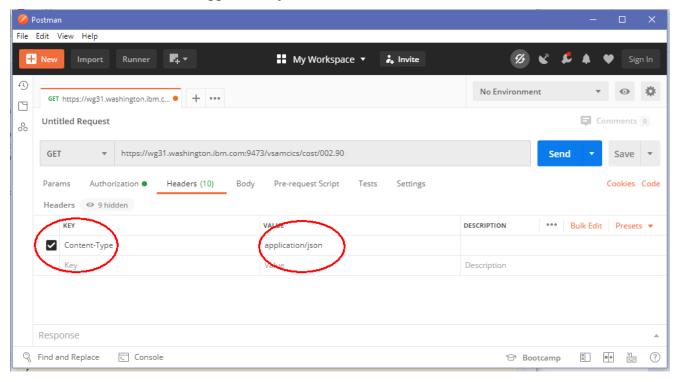
The other API services will be tested using Postman.

- 1. Open the *Postman* tool icon on the desktop. If necessary reply to any prompts and close any welcome messages.
- _2. Next, select the *Authorization* tab to enter an authorization identity and password. Use the pull down arrow to select *Basic Auth* and enter *USER1* as the *Username* and *USER1* as the Password.



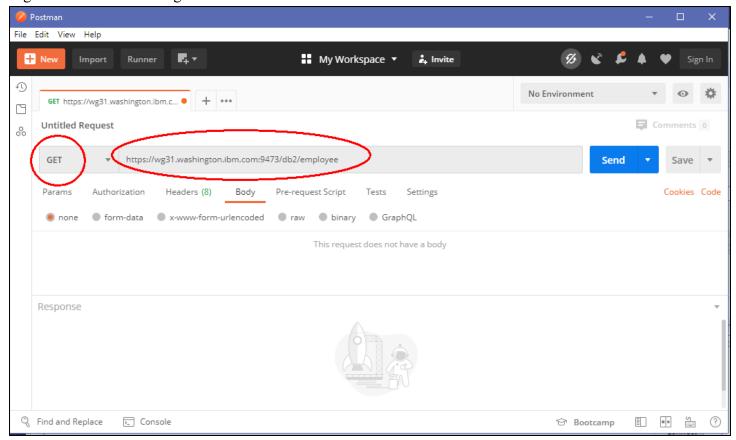
Tech-Tip: If the above Postman view is not displayed select *File* on the toolbar and then choose *New Tab* on the pull down. Alternatively, if the *Launchpad* view is displayed, click on the *Create a request* option.

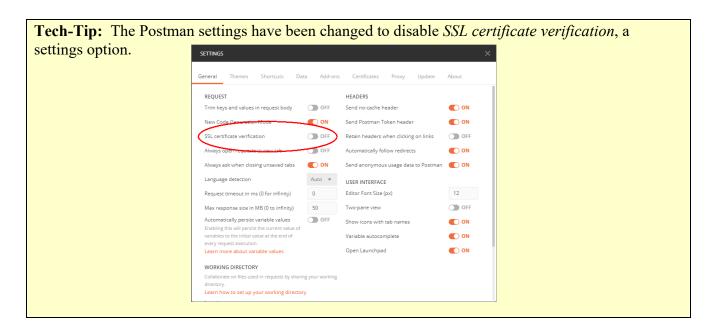
3. Next, select the *Headers* tab. Under *KEY* use the code assist feature to enter *Content-Type*, and under *VALUE*, use the code assist feature to enter *application/json*.



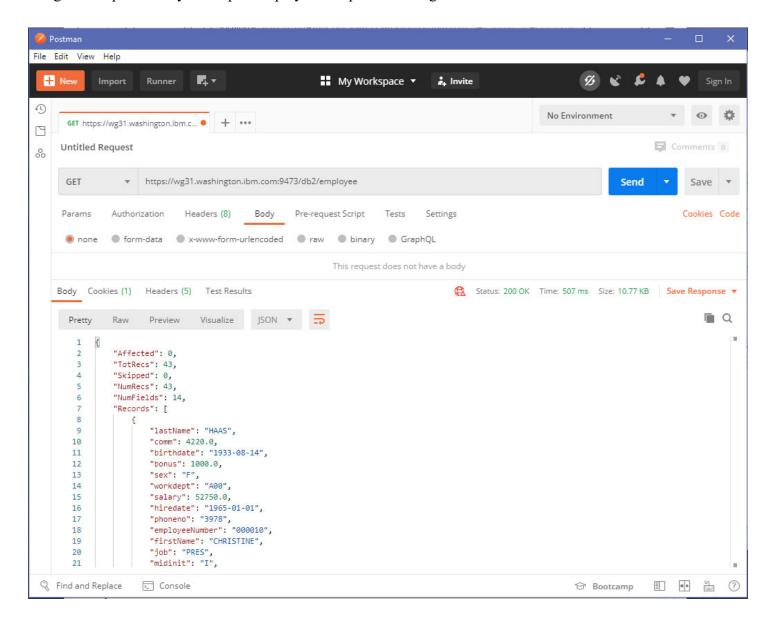
Tech-Tip: Code assist simply means that when text is entered in field, all the valid values for that field that match the typed text will be displayed. You can select the desired value for the field from the list displayed and that value will populate that field.

4. To test the *selectByCost* service, use the down arrow to select **GET** and enter https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/db2/employee in the URL area (see below) to select all stock status segements for this root segemen.

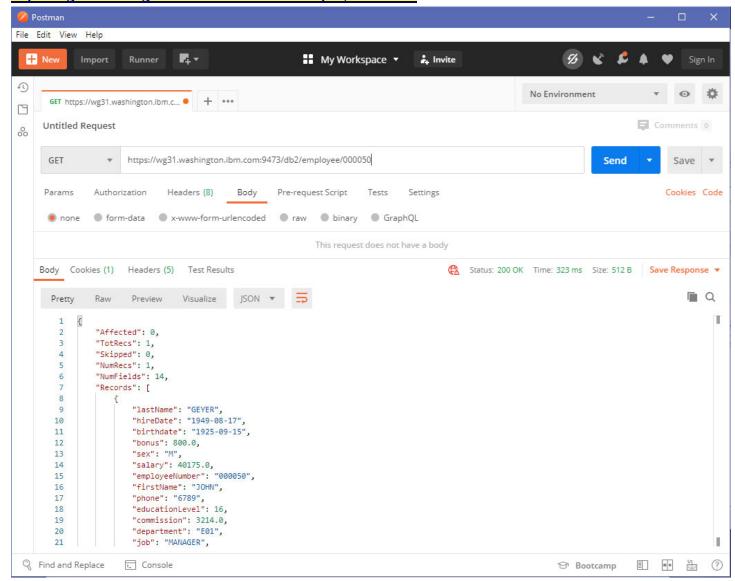




5. Next select the *Body* tab and select the *raw* radio button. Then press the **Send** button. A response message should come back indicating the service has been started and other details about the service. You may have to 'drag' the response body area up to display the response message.



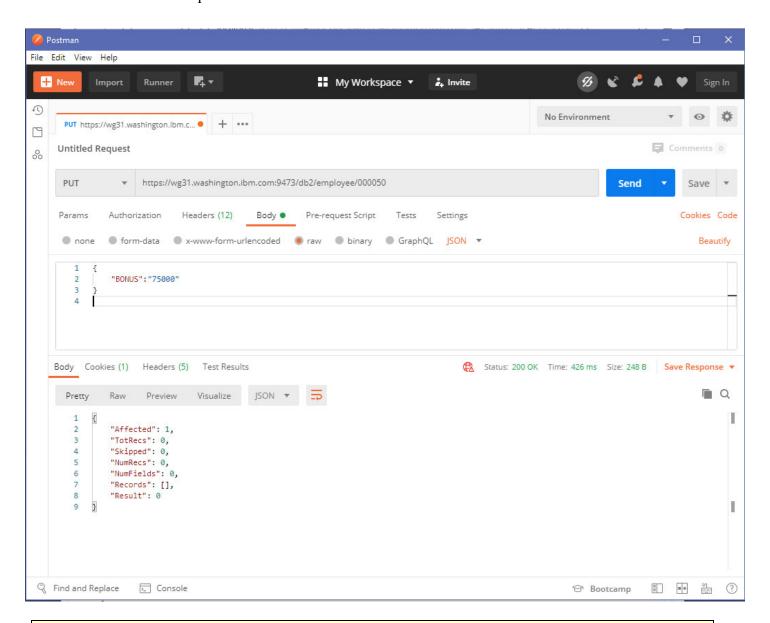
6. To test the *selectEmployee* API, use a **GET** method with URL https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/db2/employee/000050



_7. To test the *updateEmployee*, use the down arrow to select **PUT** and enter https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/employee/00050 in the URL area (see below). Enter the JSON request message below.

```
{
    "BONUS": "75000"
}
```

Press the **Send** bottom to update this row



Tech-Tip: Use a GET to URL https://wg31.washington.ibm.com:9473/db2/employee/000050 to display the item and confirm the update has taken place.

Summary

You use DVM to develop 5 DVM services. The SAR files for the DVM services were imported in the API Editor of z/OS Connect. The API Editor was used to develop a RESTful API. Then you have verified the API.

The API layer provided a further level of abstraction and allows a more RESTful use of HTTP verbs, better mapping of data via the API editor function and a more variety of client security options.