DataSet REST API

Module Objectives

In this module, you will learn:

- The DataSet REST API
- Interactions with DataSets using HTTP
- Creating and Truncating Tables
- Reading, Writing, Incrementing and Deleting Data

DataSet REST API

The DataSet REST API allows you to interact with Continuuity Reactor Tables (the core DataSets) through HTTP

You can:

- create Tables
- truncate Tables
- read, write, modify and delete data

For DataSets other than Tables, you can only truncate DataSets using this API

Creating a new Table

To create a new table, issue an HTTP PUT method to the URL:

PUT <base-url>/tables/<table-name>

Parameter

<table-name>

Description

Name of the Table to be created

HTTP Responses

Status Code: Description

200 OK: The event was successfully received and the Table was either created or already exists 409 Conflict: A DataSet of a different type already exists with the given name

Creating a new Table: Example

PUT <base-url>/tables/streams/mytable

Create a new Table named mytable

Comments

- Creates a Table with the name given by <table-name>
- Table names should only contain ASCII letters, digits and hyphens
- If a Table with the same name already exists, no error is returned, and the existing Table remains in place
- If a DataSet of a different type exists with the same name—for example, a key/value Table or KeyValueTable—this call will return a 409 Conflict error

Writing Data to a Table

To write to a table, send an HTTP PUT method to the table's URI:

PUT <base-url>/tables/<table-name>/rows/<row-key>

Parameter

<table-name>

Description

Name of the Table to be written to

Parameter

<row-key>

Description

Row identifier

HTTP Responses

Status Code : Description

200~ OK : The event was successfully received and the Table was successfully written to 400~Bad Request : The JSON String map is not well-formed or cannot be parsed as a map from String to String 404~Not Found : A Table with the given name does not exist

Writing Data to a Table: Example

PUT <base-url>/tables/mytable/rows/status

Write to the existing Table named mytable in a row identified as status

Comments

In the body of the request, you must specify the columns and values that you want to write to the Table as a **JSON String map**:

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{ "x":"y", "y":"a", "z":"1" }
```

This writes three columns named x, y, and z with values y, a, and 1 respectively

Reading Data from a Table

To read data from a Table, address the row that you want to read directly in an HTTP GET method to the table's URI:

GET <base-url>/tables/<table-name>/rows/<row-key>[?<column-identifier>]

Parameter

<table-name>

Description

Name of the Table to be read from

Parameter

<row-key>

Description

Row identifier

Parameter

<column-identifiers>

Description

An optional combination of attributes and values such as: start=<column-id> | stop=<column-id> | columns=<column-id>,<column-id>

HTTP Responses

Status Code : Description

200 $\,$ OK : The event was successfully received and the Table was successfully read from 400 $\,$ Bad $\,$ Request : The column list is not well-formed or cannot be parsed 404 $\,$ Not $\,$ Found : A Table with the given name does not exist

Reading Data from a Table: Example

GET <base-url>/tables/mytable/rows/status

Read from an existing Table named mytable, a row identified as status

Comments

The response will be a JSON String representing a map from column name to value Reading the row that was written in the previous example the response is:

{"x":"y","y":"a","z":"1"}

Reading Data from a Table: Selected Columns

Can specify a list of columns explicitly or give a range of columns

To return only columns x and y:

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GET ... /rows/<row-key>?columns=x,y
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To return all columns equal to or greater than (inclusive) c5:

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GET ... /rows/<row-key>?start=c5
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To return all columns less than (exclusive, not including) c5:

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GET ... /rows/<row-key>?stop=c5
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To return all columns equal to or greater than (inclusive) c2 and less than (exclusive, not including) c5:

GET .../rows/<row-key>?start=c2&stop=c5

Incrementing Data in a Table

To perform an atomic increment of cells of a Table's row, and receive back the incremented values, issue an HTTP POST method to the row's URL:

POST <base-url>/tables/<table-name>/rows/<row-key>/increment

Parameter

<table-name>

Description

Name of the Table to be read from

Parameter

<row-key>

Description

Row identifier of row to be read

HTTP Responses

Status Code : Description

200 OK: The event successfully incremented the row of the Table 400 Bad Request: The JSON String is not well-formed; or cannot be parsed as a map from a String to a Long; or one of the existing column values is not an 8-byte long value 404 Not Found: A table with the given name does not exist

Incrementing Data in a Table: Example (1 of 2)

POST <base-url>/streams/mytable/rows/status/increment

To increment the columns of mytable, in a row identified as status, by 1

Comments

• In the body of the method, you must specify the columns and values that you want to increment them by as a JSON map from Strings to Long numbers:

{ "x": 1, "y": 7 }

- Same effect as the corresponding Java Table Increment method
- If successful, the response contains a JSON String map from the column keys to the incremented values.

Incrementing Data in a Table: Example (2 of 2)

For example, if the existing value of column x was 4, and column y did not exist, then the response would be:

{"x":5,"y":7}

Column y is newly created

Deleting Data from a Table

To delete from a table, submit an HTTP DELETE method:

DELETE <base-url>/tables/<table-name>/rows/<row-key>[?<column-identifier>]

Parameter

<table-name>

Description

Name of the Table to be deleted from

Parameter

<row-key>

Description

Row identifier

Parameter

<column-identifiers>

Description

An optional combination of attributes and values such as: start=<column-id> | stop=<column-id> | columns=<column-id>,<column-id>

HTTP Responses

Status Code : Description

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m OK}$: The event successfully deleted the data of the Table $404~{
m Not}$ Found : A table with the given name does not exist

Deleting Data from a Table: Example

GET <base-url>/tables/mytable/rows/status

Deletes from an existing Table named mytable, a row identified as status

Comments

Similarly to Reading Data from a Table, explicitly list the columns that you want to delete by adding a parameter of the form ?columns=<column-key,...>.

Deleting Data from a DataSet

To clear a dataset of all data, submit an HTTP POST request:

POST <base-url>/datasets/<dataset-name>/truncate

Parameter

<dataset-name>

Description

Name of the DataSet to be truncated

HTTP Responses

Status Code : Description

200 OK : The event successfully deleted the data of the DataSet 404 Not Found : A DataSet with the given name does not exist

Deleting Data from a DataSet: Example

POST <base-url>/datasets/mydataset/truncate

Deletes all of the data from an existing DataSet named mydataset

Comments

This works not only for Tables but with other DataSets, including user-defined Custom DataSets

Module Summary

You should now understand the DataSet REST API and:

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Module Completed