Leveraging Service Workers in UI5 Apps

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Service Worker?

What is that?

Service Worker

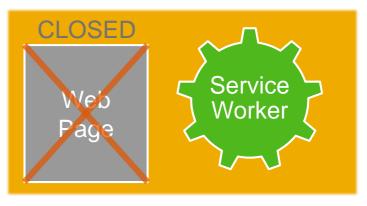
A script running in the background



Programmable network proxy giving control over requests



Separate lifecycle



Limitations

Service Worker

- No DOM access
- One Service Worker per page
- Proxying only async requests
- Terminated when not in use
- Supported in Chrome and Firefox (Edge under development, Safari under consideration)









Available API

Service Worker

IndexedDB for persistence

Window.postMessage for communicating with web page

Navigator for checking state of the user agent

Events:

- 'fetch' for intercepting requests
- 'push' for notifications
- 'sync' for background synchronization

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```
<script>
    if ('serviceWorker' in navigator) {
        window.addEventListener('load', function() {
            navigator.serviceWorker.register('/service-worker.js');
        });
    });
}
</script>
```

Use Case 1

Shopping Cart App - Rerouted

Description

About

Shopping app using Northwind OData Service

Motivation

- Service is not available
- Change service data without touching app coding

Solution

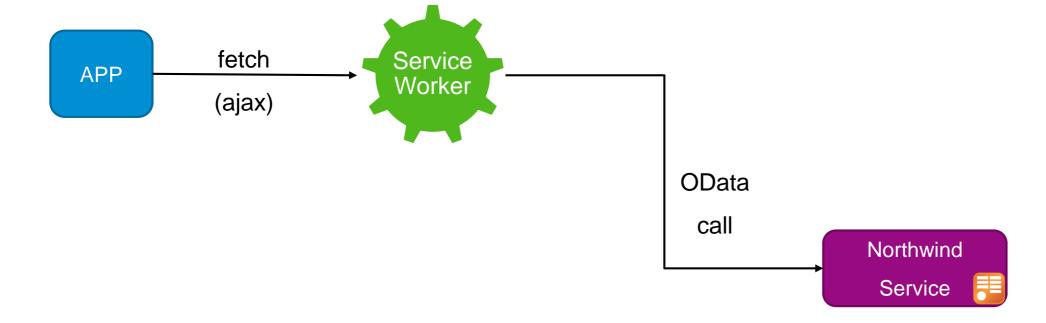
- Dynamic rerouting of service requests to fallback REST service
- Simple translation from OData to REST calls

Demo

- OData service
- Swagger REST service
- Rerouted shopping cart app Demo

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OData call



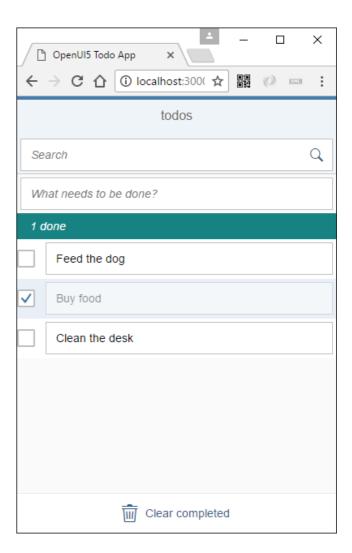
Shopping Cart App - Rerouted SWAGGER REST call UI **REST API** interface (1) API **REST** api call fetch Service APP Worker (ajax) mongoDB. No thwind Service =

Shopping Cart App - Rerouted SWAGGER request transformation UI **REST API** interface (1) **GET** /products/12 fetch Service APP Worker /Products(12) mongoDB. **GET** /Products(12) Northwind Service

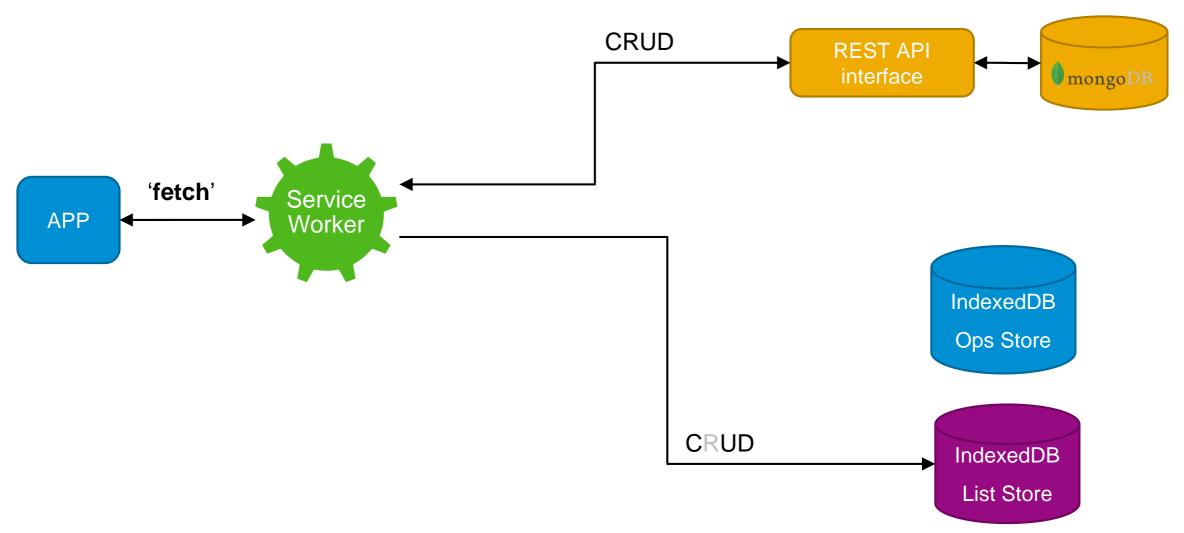
Use Case 2

Description

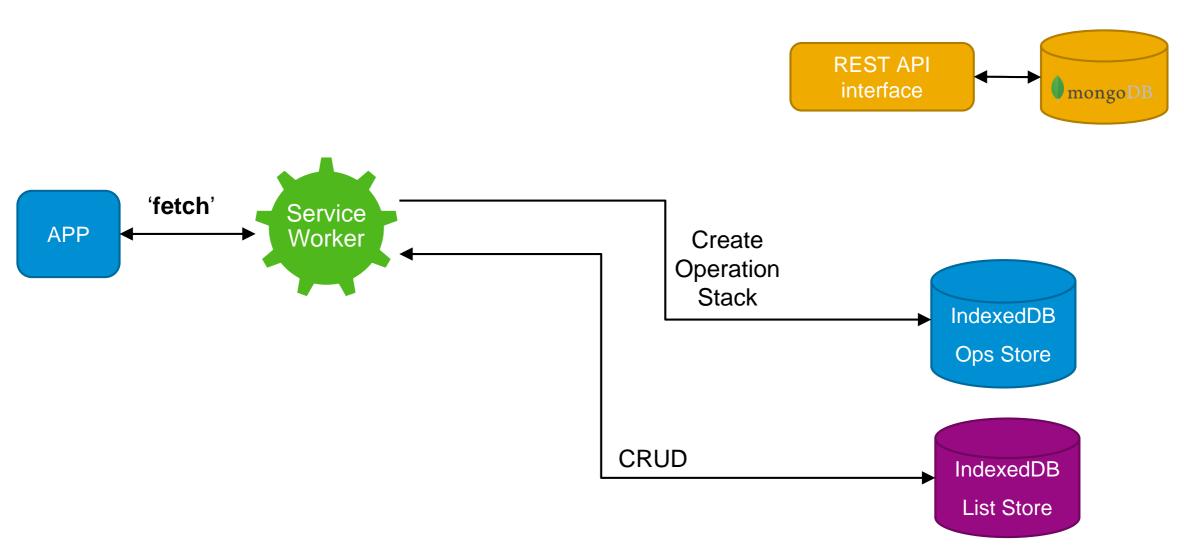
- Todo List for storing todos
- Offline availability of resources
- Automatic synchronization of offline operations
- Seamless User Experience
- MongoDB and IndexedDB for persistence
- Offline Todo List App Demo



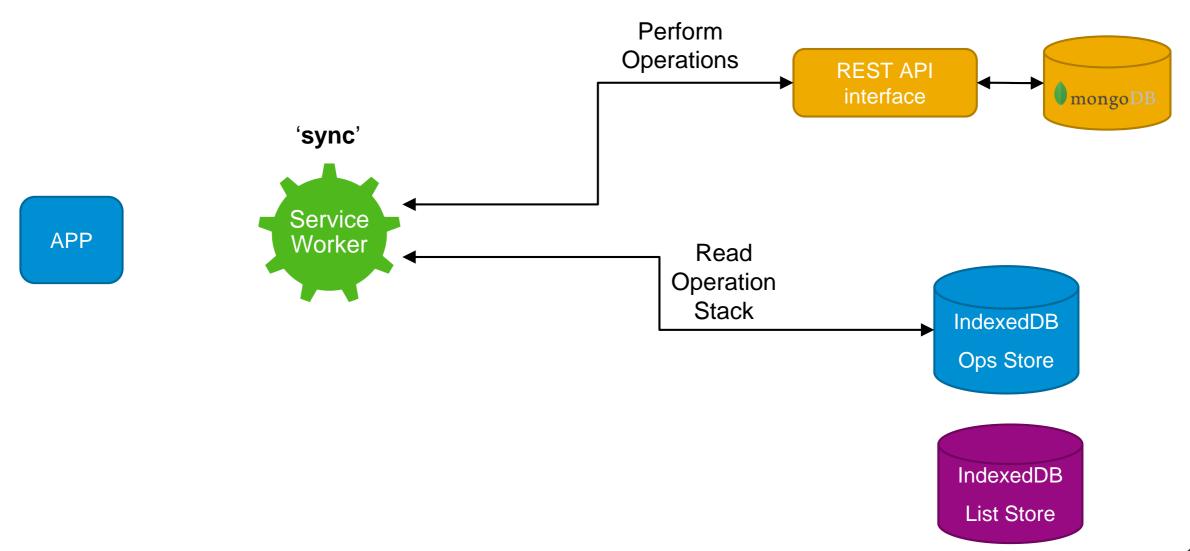
Online – Requests to the Service



Offline – Reroute requests to the IndexedDB



Sync – Transition from Offline to Online



The Future?

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Outlook and Opportunities

- Client Side Load Balancing
- Offline Enablement
- Background Synchronization
- Heavy Data Processing
- Precaching of Resources

Goal: Progressive Enhancement of Applications

Thank you.

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