

# Servant

Describing Your API as a Type

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# Writing APIs

- Unpackaging Requests
- Parsing
- Handling Errors
- Repackaging Result
- Repeat Process

# Fundamentals

- Define API as a **Type**
- Manipulate **Business** Types, not **Network** Types
- Don't Repeat Yourself!
- Once API is defined, reuse structure!

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# Business Type

```
data User =  
  { userName :: String  
  , userEmail :: String  
  , userAge :: Int }  
  
user1 :: User  
user1 = User "John Doe" "john.doe@gmail.com" 24  
  
user2 :: User  
user2 = User "Jane Doe" "jane.doe@gmail.com" 25
```

# Business Type

```
userMap :: M.Map Int User
userMap = M.fromList [(1,user1), (2,user2)]
```

```
allUsers :: [User]
allUsers = M.elems userMap
```

# All Users

GET /api/users :

```
[
  {
    "userName" : "John Doe",
    "userEmail" : "john.doe@gmail.com",
    "userAge" : 24
  },
  {
    "userName" : "Jane Doe",
    "userEmail" : "jane.doe@gmail.com",
    "userAge" : 25
  }
]
```



# Single User

```
GET /api/users/1 :  
{  
  "userName" : "John Doe",  
  "userEmail" : "john.doe@gmail.com",  
  "userAge" : 24  
}
```

# Type Operators

- `:<|>`

- Combine Endpoints
- “e-plus”

- `:>`

- Combine combinators
- “c-plus”

# Servant Endpoints

```
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# Content Types

- Built-In
  - JSON
  - Plain Text
  - Octet Stream
  - Form URL Encoded
- Can make your own
  - HTML, like Lucid or Blaze

# Refactoring Endpoints

```
type UsersAPI = "api" :> "users" :>  
  ( Get '[JSON] [User]  
    :<|> Capture "userid" Int :> GET '[JSON] User )
```

# Handler Monad

- Handler Monad
  - `type Handler a = ExceptT ServantErr IO a`
- Can use your own monad

# Handler Functions

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```

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singleUserHandler uid = case M.lookup uid userMap of
  Nothing -> throwE $ err401 {errBody = "Could not find user with ID" }
  Just u -> return u
```

# Serving the Server!

```
usersServer :: Server UsersAPI
usersServer = allUsersHandler :<|> singleUserHandler
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main :: IO ()
main = run 8000 (serve usersAPI usersServer)
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# Adding Complexity

- More Endpoint Pieces
- Query Parameters
- Request Bodies
- Headers
- Etc.

# Query Parameters

```
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```
"api" :> "users" :> "filter_age" :> QueryParam "age_less_than" Int :> Get '[JSON] [User]
```

# Query Param Handlers

```
ageFilterHandler :: Maybe Int -> Handler [User]
ageFilterHandler Nothing = return allUsers
ageFilterHandler (Just maxAge) = return $ filter (\u -> userAge u < maxAge) allUsers
```

# Parameter List

```
GET /api/users/filter_name?name=John&Jane
```

```
"api" :> "users" :> "filter_name" :> QueryParams "name" String :> Get `[JSON] [User]
```

# Parameter List Handler

```
nameFilter :: [String] -> Handler [User]
nameFilter names = return $ filter filterByName allUsers
  where
    filterByName u = userFirstName u `elem` names
```

# Parameter List

```
GET /api/users/filter_flag?is_old
```

```
"api" :> "users" :> "filter_flag" :> QueryFlag "is_old" :> Get `[JSON] [User]
```



# Parameter Flag Handler

```
flagFilterHandler :: Bool -> Handler [User]
flagFilterHandler isOld = if isOld
  then return $ filter (\u -> userAge u > 24) allUsers
  else return allUsers
```

# Request Body

```
PUT /api/users/:uid
```

```
"api" :> "users" :> Capture "userid" Int :> ReqBody '[JSON] User :> Put '[JSON] User
```

# Request Body Handler

```
updateUserHandler :: Int -> User -> Handler User
updateUserHandler uid newUser = case M.lookup uid userMap of
  Nothing -> throwE $ err401 { errBody = "Couldn't find user." }
  Just _ -> do
    let newMap = M.insert uid newUser
    return newUser
```

# Other Combinators

- Headers

- `"api" :> "users" :> Header "api-token" Text :> Get '[JSON] [User]`

- Raw

- `"api" :> "static" :> Raw`

- Authentication (later)

- `"api" :> "users" :> BasicAuth "admin" User :> Get '[JSON] [User]`
- `"api" :> "users" :> AuthProtect "admin" :> Get '[JSON] [User]`

# Full API So Far

```
type UsersAPI = "api" :> "users" :>  
  (Get '[JSON] [User]  
  :<|> Capture "userid" Int :> Get '[JSON] User  
  :<|> "filter_age" :> QueryParam "age_less_than" Int :> Get '[JSON] [User]  
  :<|> "filter_name" :> QueryParams "name" String :> Get '[JSON] [User]  
  :<|> "filter_flag" :> QueryFlag "is_old" :> Get '[JSON] [User]  
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# Client Functions

- Calling from our client
- Preferably with normal business types
- Don't Repeat Yourself!
- “servant-client” library

# Client Functions

```
import MyServer (UsersAPI, usersAPI)
import Servant

...

allUsersClient :: ClientM [User]
singleUserClient :: Int -> ClientM User
ageFilterClient :: Maybe Int -> ClientM [User]
nameFilterClient :: [String] -> ClientM [User]
flagFilterClient :: Bool -> ClientM [User]
updateUserClient :: Int -> User -> ClientM User
```



# Pattern Match

```
( allUsersClient :<|>  
  singleUserClient :<|>  
  ageFilterClient :<|>  
  nameFilterClient :<|>  
  flagFilterClient :<|>  
  updateUserClient) = client usersAPI
```

# ClientM Monad

```
env :: IO ClientEnv
env = do
    manager <- newManager tlsManagerSettings
    url <- parseBaseUrl "host=127.0.0.1 port=8080"
    return $ ClientEnv manager url
```

# Calling Our API

```
fetchAllUsers :: IO ()
fetchAllUsers = do
  environment <- env
  result <- runClientM allUsersClient environment
  print result
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## RESULT:

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# But wait...

- No **Authentication** Yet!
- Basic Authentication
  - Just supply username/password on every request
  - Can also work with JWT
- Generalized Authentication
  - Allows arbitrary actions on authentication

# BasicAuth Combinator

```
type UsersAPI = "api" :> "users" :>  
  (BasicAuth "admin" User :> Get '[JSON] [User]
```

...

```
allUsersHandler :: User -> Handler [User]  
allUsersHandler user = return allUsers
```

# Auth Check

```
authCheck :: BasicAuthCheck User
authCheck = BasicAuthCheck check
  where
    check :: BasicAuthData -> IO AuthResult
    check (BasicAuthData username password) =
      if username == "James" && password == "admin"
        then return (Authorized $ User "James" "james@mondaymorninghaskell.com" 24)
        else return Unauthorized
```



# Add Context and Serve!

```
authContext :: Context (BasicAuthCheck User ': '[])  
authContext = authCheck .: EmptyContext  
  
main :: IO ()  
main = run 8000 (serveWithContext usersAPI authContext usersServer)
```

# Client Side Basic Auth

```
allUsersClient :: BasicAuthData -> ClientM [User]

fetchAllUsers :: IO ()
fetchAllUsers = do
  environment <- env
  let authInfo = BasicAuthData "James" "admin"
  result <- runClientM (allUsersClient authInfo) environment
  print result
```

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{userName = "Jane Doe", userEmail = "jane.doe@gmail.com", userAge = 25}]
```

# Client Side Basic Auth

```
allUsersClient :: BasicAuthData -> ClientM [User]

fetchAllUsers :: IO ()
fetchAllUsers = do
  environment <- env
  let authInfo = BasicAuthData "Bad Name" "Bad Password"
  result <- runClientM (allUsersClient authInfo) environment
  print result
```

## RESULT:

```
Left (FailureResponse {responseStatus = Status {statusCode = 403, statusMessage = "Forbidden"},
responseContentType = application/octet-stream, responseBody = ""})
```

# Generalized Authentication

- Sometimes basic auth is not enough
- Request may need more information
- Server Response might be more complex

# AuthProtect Combinator

```
type UsersAPI = "api" :> "users" :>  
  (AuthProtect "admin" :> Get '[JSON] [User]
```

# AuthServerData Type Family

```
type instance AuthServerData (AuthProtect "admin") = Int
```

```
...
```

```
allUsersHandler :: Int -> Handler [User]
```

# Generalized Handler

```
authHandler :: AuthHandler Request Int
authHandler = mkAuthHandler handler
  where
    handler request = ...
```



# Context and Run!

```
authContext :: Context (AuthHandler Request Int ': '[])
authContext = authHandler :. EmptyContext

main :: IO ()
main = run 8000 (serveWithContext usersAPI authContext usersServer)
```

# Client Side

```
type instance AuthClientData (AuthProtect "admin") = JWTToken

allUsersClient :: AuthenticateReq (AuthProtect "admin") -> ClientM [User]
```

# Inserting Token

```
addJWTHeader :: JWTToken -> AuthenticateReq (AuthProtect "admin")
addJWTHeader jwt = mkAuthenticateReq jwt insertToken
```

```
insertToken :: JWTToken -> Req -> Req
insertToken jwt req = req { headers = newPair : oldHeaders }
  where
    oldHeaders = headers req
    newPair = ("auth-token", jwt)
```

# Calling the Client Function

```
fetchAllUsers :: IO ()
fetchAllUsers = do
  environment <- env
  result <- runClientM (allUsersClient (addJWTHeader "my authtoken")) environment
  print result
```

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# Generating Documentation

- Still Don't Repeat Yourself!
- Have to add some business logic descriptions
- But otherwise use “docs” like “client”

# Instances

- ToCapture
- ToParam
- ToSample

# ToCapture Instance

```
instance ToCapture (Capture "userid" Int) where
  toCapture _ = DocCapture "userid" "The ID for the particular user"
```



# ToParam Instance

```
instance ToParam (QueryParam "age_less_than" Int) where
  toParam _ = DocQueryParam
    "age_less_than" ["18", "24", "30"] "The upper bound of the age for returned users" Normal

instance ToParam (QueryParams "name" String) where
  toParam _ = DocQueryParam
    "name" ["John Doe", "Jane Doe"] "The names of users you are querying for." List

instance ToParam (QueryFlag "is_old") where
  toParam _ = DocQueryParam
    "is_old" [] "A flag filtering if the user is older than 24 years of age." Flag
```

# ToSample Instance

```
instance ToSample User where  
  toSamples _ = singleSample user1
```

# Extending our API

```
type FullAPI = UsersAPI :<|> Raw
```

```
fullAPI :: Proxy FullAPI
```

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```

# Serving the Full API

```
docsBS :: ByteString
docsBS = encodeUtf8 . pack . markdown $ docs usersAPI

fullServer :: Server FullAPI
fullServer = usersServer :<|> serveDocs
  where
    plain = ("Content-Type", "text/plain")
    serveDocs _ response = response $ responseLBS ok200 [plain] docsBS

main :: IO ()
main = run 8000 (serve fullAPI fullServer)
```

# Markdown Docs!

```
## GET /api/users
```

```
#### Response:
```

- Status code 200
  - Headers: []
  - Supported content types are:
    - `application/json`
- ...

# Summary

- Make a type out of our API
- Construct Endpoints
- Write Handlers
- Write Client Functions
- Always use (`:<|>`)!
- Authentication
- Documentation

# Extra Features

- Make Javascript client functions!
- Hook up your API with Reflex FRP!
- Use any documentation format!

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