

Custom Search with Delphi & Rubicon



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Today's Talk



- Overview of a sample project
- See the End Result
- Zoom in: nuts & bolts of the Custom Search feature
- Links for source code, etc.
- Questions, Discussion

Optional Topics



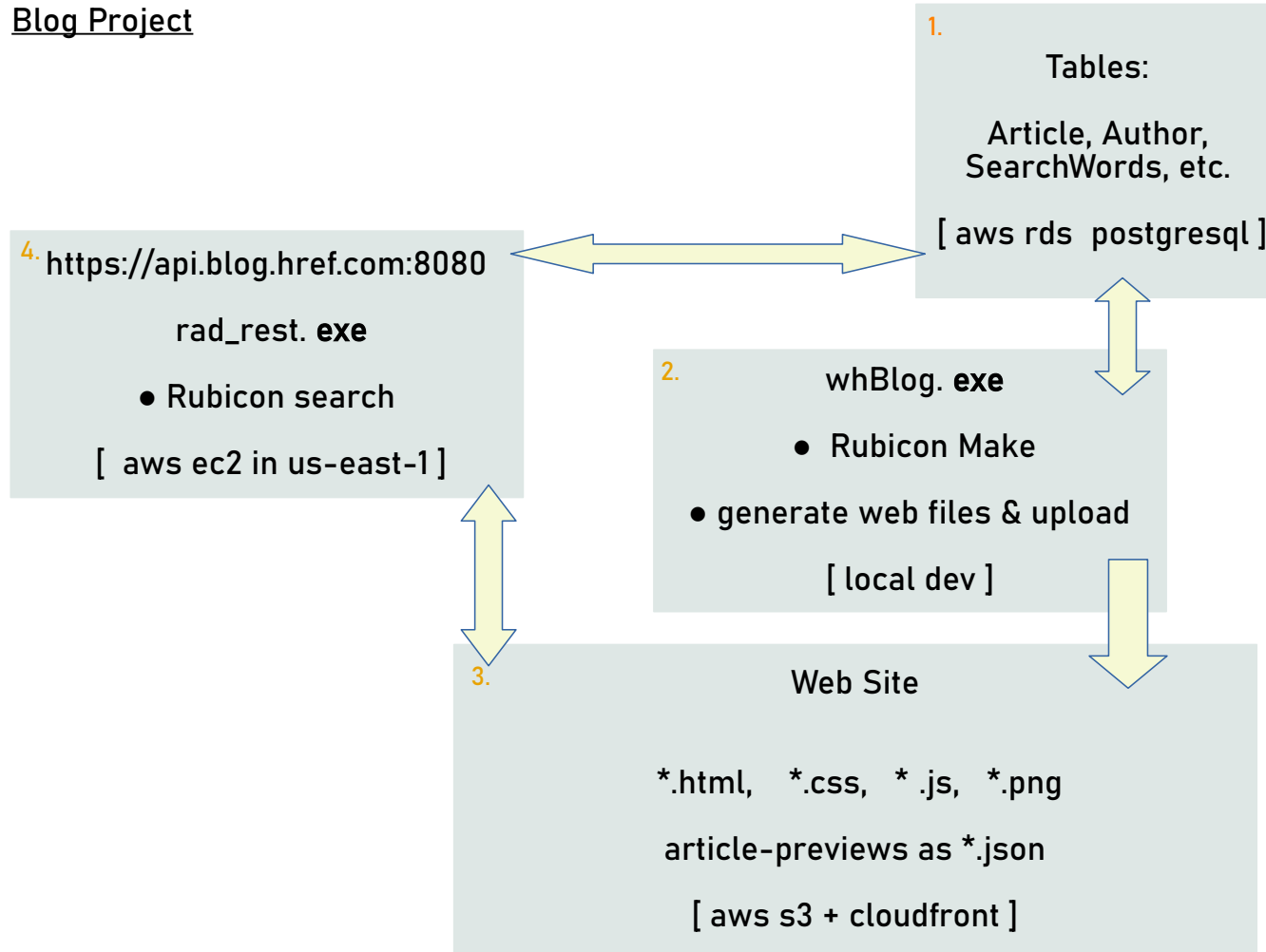
- Tools: Postman, Browser DevTools, Design for Databases
- XHR
- ZaphodsMap for configuration
- CC Image Search
- Javascript highlighting of matching words in HTML
- CORS
- Go vs WebHub
- Responsive Design with Bootstrap
- CloudFront distribution origins and behaviors
- Browser local storage

Sample Project Overview



- `blogger.com` → `blog.href.com`
- Internship project, “full stack” learning
- Rubicon search as “RAD REST” with results over https

Blog Project



AWS: Amazon Web Services



- RDS: Relational Database Service (managed postgresql)
- S3: Simple Storage Service (web files)
- CloudFront: Highly optimized Content Delivery over https
- EC2: Electronic Compute Cloud (Windows server)

See the End Result



- <https://blog.href.com>
- https://blog.href.com/blog_search.html

Database Design



https://blog.href.com/postgres_design/erdiagram.html

Synonyms



Category

categoryno	cg_phrase	createdonat	updatedonat	updatecounter	updatedby	cg_synonyms
3	How-To Sketch	3/2/2022 12:21:10 AM	8/13/20		2 AML	Instructions
1	Opinion	3/2/2022 12:21:10 AM	8/4/202		1 AML	Viewpoint
2	Problem Solution	3/2/2022 12:21:10 AM	8/4/202		1 AML	Resolved, Resolution, Fix

Rubicon Full Text Search for Delphi



- Since Delphi 1.0 16-bit Windows ! AnsiString! English!!
author: Deven Hickingbotham
- Originally supported Paradox and dBase via BDE
- Added various component bridges.... FireDAC in year 2022
- Requires a unique integer identifier for each text location

Optimized, How?



- The WORDS Table

WORD

Count

Location List as compressed bitmap

Rubicon: “Make” once, then Search



- TrbMake: Make the “WORDS” table based on “TEXT”
(SearchWords table)
(Article table)
- TrbSearch

Create View as Select ...



- procedure TfmRubiconMake.Establish_MultiTable_View;

```
(select STRING_AGG( kw_phrase, ',' )  
  from Keyword k  
 inner join Keyword_Relation on KR_ArticleNo = a.ArticleNo  
 WHERE (K.keywordno  = KR_KeywordNo)  
 ) as ArticleKeywords
```

Detour: DFM vs PAS



- RAD
- Object Inspector assistance
- Ideal for visual controls
- Components must be installed; not backwards compatible.
- All details visible in PAS
- IDE assistance at the dot
- Ideal near bleeding edge (Delphi beta) and with any project that needs to work in multiple versions of Delphi.

Detour: Components at Runtime



```
MySearch := TrbMake.Create( Self ); // pass in Owner component or nil  
MySearch.Name := 'MySearch'; // unique at runtime
```

```
FreeAndNil( MySearch );
```

Rubicon Make: overview



Rubicon: Make

1.
TrbMake
configure
then
.Execute

[rbMake.pas]

2.
TextLink

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for a single bridge
TrbMakeTextFireDACLink

[rbBridge_k_firedac.pas]

4.
Query for the bridge
e.g. TFDQuery for FireDAC

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Rubicon Make: in detail



- `whBlog.dpr`
- `unit whBlog_fmRubiconMake;`
- `procedure TfmRubiconMake.ActionMakeIndexExecute`

Rubicon Search: over https



- REST API designed with Postman
- XHR requests visible in DevTools in Chrome, Firefox, etc.

Rubicon Search: in PAS



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Rubicon Search: in detail



- **RAD_REST.dpr**

- **ServerMethodsUnit1.pas**

```
function TServerMethods1.updateSearchQueue( const PostedFormAsJson: string): integer;
```

```
function TServerMethods1.Articles( const iSearchQueueNo: integer ): TJSONObject;
```

- **RubiconModuleUnit1.pas**

```
function SearchArticles( var rec: TSearchQueueRec ): string;
```

OnPreviewLocation



To restrict by article publication date

```
rbSearch.OnPreviewLocation := PreviewArticleNo;
```

Blog Project Source is on SourceForge



- Rubicon Make
- Source\
WHApps\DB Examples\
whBlog\whBlog.dproj
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DelphiApps\Blog_Rad_Rest\
rad_rest.dpr

svn checkout url

svn.code.sf.net/p/webhubdemos/code/trunk/webhubdemos

Links



- **Rubicon Showcase Video**
<https://youtu.be/vRTneMRC4yQ> (skip ad, then it plays)
- **ZaphodsMap Configuration**
<https://sourceforge.net/p/zaphodsmap/wiki/Home/>
- **Windows upload to S3**
<https://www.msp360.com/explorer/windows/amazon-s3/>
- **Amazon Web Services**
<https://aws.amazon.com>
- **Go language**
<https://www.usegolang.com/>
- **Postman**
<https://www.postman.com>
- **CodeSite Logging**
<https://raize.com/codesite/>
- **Bootstrap**
<https://getbootstrap.com/docs/5.2/getting-started>
- **HREF Tools Corp.**
<https://www.href.com/contact>
<https://forum.href.com>
<https://www.href.com/rubicon>



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